



AWA Ministry Updates

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Taste and See ([Psalm 34:8](#))

Reflect and rejoice become our mental activity when reading participants' comments written during last week's Community Health Engagement (CHE) expo at the UFHB. Most completed daily reaction sheets and a summary evaluation for us. Beyond compliments on trainers' humility and experience, comments revealed profound worldview shifts taking root in many Ivoirian lives. The change impacts the physical and spiritual lives of untold numbers now and in the coming years while opening many hearts' doors to the Gospel.



Reprise of the video created by Joseph Kouadio share closing ceremony excitement bonus at 5'58"

- The training is of great quality and will help us perfect our community work; we appreciate the convivial atmosphere and passion of the trainers.
- Today I realized that ignorance is a serious disease.
- Today I am happy everyone agrees that changes must begin in the home.
- For lasting community change, we must learn to do it for ourselves rather than have others do it for us.
- I discovered that we must get at the roots of beliefs to resolve a community's problems.
- I learned that all actions in the community must take into account and involve the community itself. It is better to choose development from the naturally available resources than to resort to aid.
- Today I learned that my "glasses" of perception are not the same as others. Another said, "I discovered that you have to look at things through other peoples' eyes."
- Today I realized I don't know everything!
- Today I learned that most diseases can be prevented through community health education.
- Today I discovered that community ownership corresponds to people voluntarily mobilizing to do their own development by their own initiative.
- There is a big difference between relief and development.
- Many participants were astonished and appreciative of the pedagogy used by the trainers. One cogently stated that all lessons together exceeded expectations and were well-structured and coherent.
- I learned that good health means more than not having a disease. It is being in harmony with self, others, God, and the creation.
- From the third level of micro-enterprise development training: Failure to plan is planning to fail—planning is essential; overcoming temptation is a danger in my life—think of negative consequences; a good business plan gives confidence to partners; there are many ways to do accounting, but it must be daily, and I can do it; I must be faithful, persevere, work hard; I can raise livestock without chemical products.
- The CHE program is a gold mine!

Come and See ([Psalm 66:5](#))

Reflect and rejoice continued with others when Verlin attended post-event meetings with Ivoirian partners. Following the event, the university planning team notes successes, failures, or items for improvement to compare with notes that Verlin brings from participating trainers and attendee reviews. They then plan their pursuit of means to expand the reach and influence of the training. This year, in another step of passing it on, an Ivoirian trainer helped us for three days to correct and order lessons and handouts for next year.

Prayer & Praise

- ☞ Pray that last week's participants will put into practice the many things learned in their own settings.
- ☞ We suffered from malaria and cold symptoms this week but feel better now. Pray for continued strength.
- ☞ Our hearts grieve with the Daniel Kambou family and the FWB family of churches. Daniel, a young pastor who married on September 3, died suddenly of hepatitis this week. Pray with us for his family. However, we can't help but believe that more local churches must embrace CHE to overcome and limit such loss. We pray.

Your partners in the Gospel, Verlin & Debbie

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