



Ministry Updates

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



Puppy Pileup!

Our seven $\frac{3}{4}$ Rottweiler pups are quite an attraction these days. It amuses us to watch them all **flock** to our feet when we step outside the house, hoping with all their little wiggly bodies that it is time to eat! What panting and vying for dominance until each has its food! How peaceful and ready to cuddle they are when their tummies grow replete. Their voracious appetites and single-minded determination to gain satisfaction remind us of spiritual cravings.

No wonder Peter the Apostle ([I Peter 2:2](#)) enjoins us to earnestly desire (i.e., crave, thirst for) spiritual milk so we can grow up in our salvation. The analogy strikes home poignantly whenever you see a baby nurse. Intense concentration is focused on one important thing. Nothing else satisfies! Yet, in modern spirituality, it seems commonplace that young believers neglect to dig into the Word and come to [El-Shaddai](#) for daily nourishment. Instead, the healthy, voracious desire for spiritual milk is distracted by news, music, movies, games, social media, etc. As a result, churches fill with malnourished believers. Debbie purged her cell phone of several entertaining apps this week, even though the word games and design app seemed innocent. She had noticed it was easy to turn to one for a short break rather than choosing a more edifying or encouraging resource.

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

Like us, many in our town had to **flock** to empty water spigots this month. Thankfully, a new pipe carrying water from an enlarged storage lake should begin functioning soon and transporting sufficient water for the growing population! What a relief that will be. We cannot count on a shower or laundry on our scheduled desires until all the preparative work gets finished. Sometimes neighbors **flock** to our gate for buckets of water during such times, but our water storage tank has had issues since March. Thankfully, Verlin got the problems resolved this week. We again anticipate having adequate water access as the dry season descends upon our community.

Besides following some CHE activities and bringing our financial reports to date, Verlin participated in the [CHE Global Network](#) West Africa Roundtable on Thursday and Friday using Zoom. (*Praise God that our DSL line works better!*) It always encourages when reconnecting with friends made over years of working together to see Christ exalted using CHE. Collaboration to assist new CHE practitioners in multiplying efforts to make God's free salvation available is another goal of the Roundtable. Also, news came from a local friend whose faith matured during last month's Micro-Enterprise Development (MED) training. He reported on the mushroom project's progress in growing witness to Jesus' power to change individual lives. The effort develops spiritual fruit beyond what we imagined. We expect to share that story next week unless otherwise directed.

Prayer & Praise

- 🙏 Praise the Lord with us for projects completed, the water issue resolved, Abidjan housing provided for the upcoming training, and Verlin's foot injury improvement.
- 🙏 Pray that the CHE mushroom project will continue to grow and that many souls will come to Christ as participants learn to be honest and accountable business people.
- 🙏 Pray for initiatives of the [Global CHE Network](#) in nations worldwide.

Your partners in the Gospel,
Verlin & Debbie

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