



Ministry Updates

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

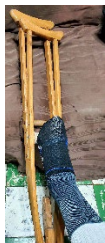
Our Heavenly Father gives **fair warning** that his children should expect trials in their Christian walk. Jesus repeatedly prepared His disciples to expect troubles, trials, and persecution but to remain of good cheer: He already had overcome the world! ([John 16:33](#)) Paul similarly gave **fair warning** about persecution and imprisonment while living through it! All believers can expect many obstacles while following Jesus, though thankfully, our trials have been fewer compared to other believers.

Last Sunday at church, members of the congregation gave testimonies. One brother had experienced a distinct **fair warning** about an upcoming trial. Thursday was his day to fast per [our church's assignment to members](#) of days to pray and fast. During the week, this man received a call from a friend warning him that someone would try to ruin his name. Taking this as a possible message from the Lord, he decided to fast the week, not only Thursday! On Sunday, he received an angry phone call from an unknown man. He accused this believer of having an illicit relationship with his wife because he had found a piece of paper with our brother's phone number in his wife's possession. He attempted to assure the jealous husband that he did not even know the woman but to no avail. The man convoked him to the police station that week.

The police agent heard both men's stories and finally helped the jealous husband see reason. There was no proof in our brother's phone or the wife's that they had ever spoken to one another. Our brother added that if they were trying to have an affair, wouldn't his wife have hidden the number instead of leaving it in plain sight? The policeman then asked our brother if he wanted to register a complaint or seek compensation since he was falsely accused. Instead, he shared a short testimony and forgave the husband. In church, he praised God for the **fair warning** of trouble coming and the deliverance the Lord provided. As to where this woman got the paper with his number, he presumed that it might have been on a scrap piece of paper at a photocopy shop where he made copies for work. Only God knows.

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

Numerous times in the past, we have received **fair warning** that the Enemy was not pleased with an upcoming Community Health Evangelism (CHE) training. All sorts of obstacles could have hindered the spread of the Gospel and good health practices, but they did not succeed. Those included conflicts, vehicle problems, sickness, computer crashes, and even the deaths of beloved CHE trainers who left grieving widows and children. One was killed on the street by a vehicle just hours before a university training week began.



This year is no different as we leave Thursday for Abidjan as preparations for the university CHE training continue. Just two days ago, Verlin reinjured his left ankle doing side planks, making it difficult to put weight on it. Even being in a seated position hurts. (*Praise the Lord, however, there are elastic ankle supports available in Bondoukou now as the market size has grown!*) Debbie can drive to Abidjan but not pull the trailer as needed for this trip. Her Ivorian driver's license does not permit it. (*Also, The slower pace and risk due to lack of experience on the road might also give Verlin a heart attack. ☺*) Even Ivorian truck drivers with the needed license rarely know how to drive smaller vehicles safely with an attached trailer.

Prayer & Praise

🙏 Pray for our travel to Abidjan on Thursday as we begin the two weeks of preparation before the CHE university training. With Verlin's reduced ankle mobility, ask the Lord to provide people to help in various capacities along the way. We trust the Lord to get the HiLux with trailer safely to Abidjan. Pray for solutions to all obstacles that complicate a smooth training session.

🙏 Thank the Lord that Verlin's chest infection continues to heal. Pray for supernatural help with his pain level in the ankle and chest.

Your partners in the Gospel, Verlin & Debbie

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