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

Happy Mother's Day to the many wonderful, faithful mothers we know! Included in that group are godly single and married women who have never physically borne children, but who participate in nurturing and training up the next generation in the ways of the Lord.

In a recent sermon on Deborah, the historical female judge from the tribe of Ephraim mentioned in Judges chapters 4 and 5, Egyptian-American Michael Youssef made an insightful point. During the victory song after Israel defeated the Canaanites in Judges 5:7, Deborah described her participation as "a mother in Israel." She could have emphasized her leadership role as the judge and prophetess of that epoch, or mentioned that Barak, the army commander, refused to go into battle unless she agreed to accompany him. In our age of distorted roles, some might envision her on a feminist rampage to break the chains of the patriarchy, since she was the only female judge in the Bible. But that was not her ambition. Deborah arose with the courage and steadfastness of a mother, prodding a fearful general to fulfill his role and trust God's promises. Her influential, mothering role in a stunning military victory was how she wanted to be remembered.

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

Verlin began his journey back to Cote d'Ivoire on Friday. He arrived in the early evening of that world today and was able to review this update by 8 p.m. EST. It was a hectic week of doctor appointments, errands, and visits. He sets up travel to Dakar, Senegal, for Monday's four-day regional CHE meeting after church and a visit to friends grieving the loss of a university-based CHE trainer we encouraged in Christ. Debbie remains in the USA for a few more weeks, finishing her father's affairs and a long list of family and ministry projects.



Prayer and Praise

- 🙏 Pray for an encouraging and incident-free regional CHE meeting in Senegal.
- 🙏 Our vehicle will not be available to Verlin until he returns from Senegal at the end of the week. The Toyota cannot be driven until insurance is renewed, and that requires Verlin to renew several banking and payment services. So, pray the reacclimating process goes smoothly.
- 🙏 Pray for mothers struggling alone or who are afraid or uncertain of their roles. Women have many laudable skills and roles, but none is more important for a nation's future than their being faithful, godly mothers.

Your partners in the Gospel,
Verlin & Debbie

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