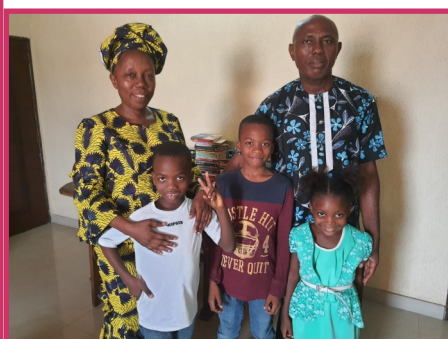


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 TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!
NIGERIA—Part 2



The one-hour flight from Owerri to Lagos went as expected with a nearly on time arrival. However, it took much longer than the flying time to get our luggage. Two flights were sharing two baggage belts with only a few bags unloading at a time. People were lined up three deep and getting very upset, unsure of which belt their bags might be on. The heat only exasperated the situation! Things were fast approaching an everyman-for-himself moment. Pastor Victor had been waiting three hours for my arrival and was texting me as to why I had not come out since I had told him we had landed. Fortunately, it was soon after his text that my second bag came out. PTL!



If you remember from last month's report, I overnigh-
 ted with Victor and
 his family before
 flying to Owerri.
 That night was a
 real stretch for me
 because I had not
 slept since begin-
 ning the trip. My

bedroom in Victor's home was about 95 degrees with only a fan to blow the hot air around. It was another night without much sleep or rest and was followed by having to kneel on a bumpy, open shower floor and bathe from a bucket of water. Bathing from a bucket was not unfamiliar to me as I had done so in my travels before. Now, however, at 73 years of age with six screws and two plates in my lower back, it was a challenge! My room at Bishop Sam's was hot, but not as hot as my night with Pastor Victor. I did have a good working shower in the morning at Bishop's, also. The thought of spending seven nights in Victor's guest room and bathing each morning from the bucket was not something I was looking forward to doing. A couple of times during the early morning sleepless hours at Bishop Sam's, I reminded the Lord that I was not as young as I used to



be and this was much more of a challenge than when I was younger, especially with no consistent sleep or rest.

God is so good! When I opened my room at Pastor Victor's house, there was a new air-conditioning unit installed, and the room was already very comfortable. I was so surprised and blessed! When I walked into the bathroom, however, the situation had not changed. I asked Victor how much it would cost to have a new faucet installed with a wand extending up so you could stand and spray yourself as you showered. The wand in the previous photo with the blue bucket does not work as the hose is torn open. Because the cost seemed very reasonable, I asked him to please let me pay for redoing the faucet and shower wand since he had gone to the expense of providing the air-conditioning. We ended up keeping the old faucet, added an on/off valve below the blue pipe on the same wall, installed the shower curtain rod, and added two new shower curtains to confine the water into one area. Still no hot water, but I will take cold water standing up rather than kneeling while bathing with cold water out of a bucket any day.



God knows our needs and had already supplied my need while I was still wondering how I would survive another week of long, hot days and seemingly longer, uncomfortable nights with little or no sleep. As overjoyed as I was to feel that air-conditioner pumping continuous cool air, I was also upset with myself concerning my complaining attitude. I had not had faith enough to believe God would make a way through another week for me, air-conditioning or not. Thank you, Jesus, I am looking forward to a comfortable night's sleep and a refreshing cool shower each morning. PTL!

Tomorrow, January 15, marks one year since Pastor Victor and Prudence came to the USA in hope of her having a large tumor removed. At that time, she looked like she was nine months pregnant, but it was a tumor not a pregnancy. Doctors in Nigeria had told her they could not do anything for her. The tumor was affecting

one of her kidneys and causing her to lose large amounts of blood uncontrollably. It was literally a life-or-death situation. The hospital in Atlanta wanted a certain amount of payment before they would do anything, money that Victor and Prudence did not have. They were members of Nations Network of Ministers International which I am also a member of and serve as the treasurer. To help, I made several phone calls to pastors I know to seek financial assistance. Pastor



Glenn Davis from Country-side Christian Church in Clearwater responded with a gift of \$1500. It was a real blessing to them and enabled them to put up the money that was needed for her operation. This Sunday they will celebrate the one-year anniversary and her good health. In this photo, Prudence is giving her testimony in church before I preached. How awesome that God would arrange that someone who was in-

involved in the situation could be here from the USA to celebrate the occasion. Thank you again, Pastor Davis, for your kindness and obedience to the leading of the Holy Spirit. Together we made a difference!

After preaching Sunday morning, I took some pictures of the building that show the unfinished roof. There were three offerings in the service attended by



about 30 adults and teens and another 20 younger children. The offerings total came to just under 13,000 Nira which converts to about **\$23!** Victor said **this**

was twice as much as normal. The offerings usually just covered the cost of the fuel for the generator with a little left over. He shared that the building is being built by outside ministries and individuals and has taken

nearly ten years to get this far. They have been at a standstill for a long time, however. The rainy season begins in March/April and extends through October. The cost of the sheeting for the roof and installation is right at **\$9000**. He told me there are many folks who are waiting for the roof to be put on before coming to the church. This situation is like that in the USA when folks leave a church that is entering a building program only to show up later when it is all done. This is another good opportunity for us to make a difference in a ministry that is doing the right things and helping to train pastors and workers for God's Kingdom. If you would like to help, send your project gift to me and I will see that it gets to Pastor Victor and Prudence for a new roof.

Together, with God's help, we can be the difference! Just mark your gift "Roof".



The CTC program is off to a good start. Each of the four days of teaching went very well with 25 to 30 coming to study each day and 22 taking their exam on Friday morning. We purchased 15 plastic tables large enough for two students to share. At the end of Thursday's teaching, the students gathered on the steps leading up to the future

balcony seating area for a photo.

I am scheduled to fly through Lagos again on March 18th on my way to Lomé, Togo. I have been in contact with a young group of students and their leader, Komi Nestor Noughlega. They have found a church that will allow us to use their facility to hold classes. A few pastors in the area also want to attend. This will be my first visit to Togo! I would appreciate your prayers for my travel, those attending the training, and my family.

In the April newsletter, I will update you on the Christian families that were fed through our efforts in January. **Let's help Pastor Victor finish the roof for their church.** Know you are always in my prayers, believing for God's best for you and your family. Please stand with us as well! **We need you! With God's Help, TOGETHER, WE CAN BE THE DIFFERENCE!**

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