



December 2016

Dear ENW Supporting Pastors, Partners and Friends,

The Ivorian tour (December 1-18, 2016) was one of the most encouraging yet. That statement is probably not a surprise since God seems to accentuate each trip with a variety of blessings and encouragements that make each one wonderful.

The ENW team was made up of 4 this time. Dennis Horne (my teaching partner) along with Micalah Miller and Ally Feldman (girls from our sending church in Greensboro), who are considering the Ivory Coast in their future. It was a blessing to have all three of them as part of the ministry this year.

The overall stay included four main speaking conferences:

- 1—A weekend conference dealing with the attributes of God
- 2—The annual pastor's conference: Unit 7 – Foundations for Continued Growth and Maturity
- 3—A weekend conference dealing with decision-making and God's will along with a discussion of the theological evaluation of "the call" to vocational ministry
- 4—The first class taught in the new Bible College and Seminary: Unit 3 – Foundations for the Christian Family

Needless to say Dennis and I were plenty busy...and enjoying every minute of every opportunity to equip these dear men and women. It is such an honor to be part of this training process.

This trip marked a distinct adjustment in ENW's involvement in this ministry opportunity. Beginning this year we will be making bi-annual trips to the Ivory Coast. The pastor's conferences will continue as well as, now, the privilege to teach in the College and Seminary. Each winter trip will involve both the pastor's conference and college teaching and the spring trip will involve the college/seminary as well as the opportunity to visit the ministries of the men who have been attending the conferences for the past several years.

This May will provide the next opportunity to teach in the Bible College. The course is Personal Relationships. As with all the equipping tours, it will be necessary to raise the funds for travel and food. The trip to the Ivory Coast is approximately \$2500. If anyone or any church would be able to meet that need, it would be very much appreciated. I can assure you that your investment dollars are well used as ENW continues to invest intentionally in the lives of the next generation of shepherds. Thank you for any contribution you may make toward this need.

One of the highlights this year (as if the four conferences were not enough) was the gifts we were able to present to each attending pastor. Our sending church, Faithway Baptist of Greensboro, N.C., made it possible for each of these dear men to receive a hard copy of John MacArthur's commentary on the Gospels of Matthew and Mark. This very well could be the only resource some of them have in the French language. This one book would have cost these men at least if not more than half of a month's salary. It was a thrill to see them receive these resources with joy and gratitude. *Thank you* Faithway!

This winter/spring ENW will be visiting supporting churches to report on God's work, presenting the ministry of ENW to at least two congregations (please pray that God would see fit to create partnerships with them both), and conducting training conferences stateside (which we are seeking to do more of...if ENW can come alongside and strengthen your ministries, please don't hesitate to get in touch).

Your prayers and financial help are very much appreciated and continually needed as we pursue the goal of getting the next generation of shepherds equipped for the pastoral task...for the glory of Him Who alone is worthy.

With humility and deep gratitude we remain your servants and partners for the cause of kingdom work.

Sincerely,
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