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Subject: Prayer requests from the Messers

Dear friends and family:

Greetings to you all from Ivory Coast. A question to start the note: How many of you had barbequed gazelle ribs for dinner last night? You should try them sometime. They are quite tasty. They remind me of deer meat. In family news, we are all doing well despite all the problems the country is facing. Currently the leaders of the government and the leaders of the different rebel factions are meeting near Paris, France to work out a peaceful agreement to their 4 month old conflict. Please pray with us that the negotiations will be fruitful. We really want to stay out here until our term ends in April next year. So far we have been out here for a little over 2 years. God has worked greatly among our people. Many have been saved and many lives have been changed. Amen and amen.

We have a need that is heavy on our hearts and minds right now. Currently the believers are meeting at our house. They have been meeting there for a little over a year. As many of you know, we have bought some property and are now almost finished with our first building. It is a small building but sufficient for the moment for our people. It will be used for Sunday school rooms in the future and possibly a Bible Institute. We are asking for prayer concerning this project in two areas: 1. The first building still lacks about \$700 worth of materials to finish it (the roof) and 2. We would like to construct the worship building before our term ends next year (\$15,000). Please pray about this. We really want to see God provide through His people. We came out here to begin churches and now we are asking for your help. If you are able to give towards these projects, please send your contribution to:

World Wide New Testament Baptist Missions
P.O. Box 725
Kings Mountain, NC 28086

Please mark the gift as "Messer's building project". Our mission will get it to us right away. Thank you.

This coming Sunday our two church works will be merging for a time. The group in Lac will be coming to join us in La Cité because their lease is up on the house they had been renting. They too are beginning a building project which is due to begin next month. It will be a joy working with them during this time.

Please be in prayer for Charles and Appolynaire. These two men have asked to be baptized as testimony to their faith in Jesus Christ. I did not have to confront them about it. They came to me. Usually I have to hunt people down in the church to see if they are baptized. Praise God. The Holy Spirit is at work.

Please be in prayer also for our Ladies' and Men's Bible Study. The ladies meet on Thursday afternoon at 3:00PM and the men meet on Saturday morning at 8:30AM. These are special times for us as the mood is more relaxed and the people feel more free to ask questions. Becky has been teaching the ladies and I have been teaching the men. We have had good turn outs for each, especially when you announce that food will be offered.

We share these prayer requests with you that you may join us in offering them to our Heavenly Father who alone can answer each one according to His sovereign will. To Him be the glory

both now and forever, amen. Thanks for praying for us and with us.

On the front lines for Christ,
Andy, Becky, Leah, David, Nadia and Alexis Messer
Sent by Salem Baptist Church as part of the Great Commission

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