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Psa 30:5 For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for a lifetime; Weeping may last for the night, But a shout of joy comes in the morning.

“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost.”

April Showers Bring May Disciples

When you do not know where to begin, start with thanksgiving. I thank God and I thank you His committed disciples for your partnership in this ministry which is producing a harvest of souls for the King and His Kingdom in West Africa. **2Co 9:12,13** For the ministry of this service is not only fully supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing through many thanksgivings to God. Because of the proof given by this ministry, they will glorify God for *your* obedience to your confession of the gospel of Christ and for the liberality of your contribution to them and to all.

We lacked no good thing for the work which took place in April. Ramadan, a muslim holiday, interrupted the work in March and we therefore took time to reflect on the work the Holy Spirit accomplished through us in January and February as well as saved up for April. There were seven separate missions of one kind or another this past month. We thank God for His kindness in delivering almost 1,400 souls from the domain of darkness into the Kingdom of His glorious light in Christ.

From east to west we had Fahad working in the Garoua area of Cameroon, reaching out to three Fali/Fulani, and Daba villages. About 600 heard the gospel and about 100 came to Christ. No details were included. Next was Prince in the Borno state of Nigeria who frankly struggled with the level of unbelief and inhospitality he encountered in at least three villages. His words were a reflection of his heart, filled with disappointment that more did not come to Jesus. That said, 275 muslims made decisions for Jesus when he had opportunity to actually speak in a village. “I was so unhappy about my trip this time, and prayed so hard before we left to the mission, I don’t know what the Lord want to teach me.” In the third village in a row where he was outright rejected, insulted and told he could not stay overnight, it started

to rain. In the market area there was an older man who they spoke to about Jesus. He received Him and then allowed them to spend the night in his own home out of the rain. This was such a breath of fresh air for him and his team. Similar to a story I will share about Muhammad’s trip.

In addition to the persecution, Babagana one of Prince’s disciples developed malaria which cost them a day. After the prayer of faith he was better the next day. That day they lost the drive shaft in Prince’s vehicle and had to get that replaced first. After fixing that, they left the hotel only to discover Babagana left his phone charger at the guesthouse. They turned back, got it and



Muhammad’s team Niger. Son Victor on left, driver, then Muhammad and his wife, Levi is in green shirt. Others I do not know.

returned to the road. Along the road they saw many people crying. The people told them the reason for their distress was from being robbed by the Army. They took everything that belonged to them. Prince and the team recognized the intervention of the Holy Spirit to keep them from suffering a similar fate.

One of the things I have noticed about Africa is that it is always changing. Sometimes even the locals do not appreciate this fact. Muhammad was one example. He and several Nigerians, crossed the border north of Kano, Nigeria to proceed into Niger for a mission near Mirria which is east of Zinder.

Having crossed the border they were stopped for not having the correct paperwork. Not unusual for us. Many of you prayed with me about this problem. A local pastor got involved, contacted the immigration official and the next day they allowed the team to proceed with their mission. Praise God!

A few villages into the mission, a group of four “enforcers”, told Muhammad and the team to pack up and move on they were not welcome in their village. So Muhammad told them the blood of these people are on your hands. (turn

So, they proceeded to pack up and go when pastor Levi, a disciple of Muhammad's, suggested they first hold hands and pray. Doing so, he began to pray, then later lifted his head to see someone standing behind Muhammad. It was a spiritual being, an angel he supposed. I asked if he could see his face. He said "No, it was so bright I could not see the details of His face." Did he have a double-edged sword in his hand? "No, he came in peace. I felt a tremendous peace. Then suddenly I started shaking all over and I fell down under the power of God. The others had to carry me to the truck." Muhammad and I both agreed it was not an angel but the Lord. The men needed this encouragement under heavy persecution. The men saw well over 400 make decisions for Christ among Hausa, Tamajeq, and Fulani ethnic groups represented there.

Rev. Muhammad presenting money given to pastor Abbad (from Diffa), in Niger. To the right you can see the benches and chalkboard purchased with that money. To the left and below are the children from IDP (internally displaced person), camps being educated by Christian teachers in Diffa, Niger, sitting on those benches you purchased.



Cahil, was involved in ministering the gospel. He had a chance to take some gifts from Samaritan's purse to children in a Serer village near his hometown of Diourbel, Senegal. Twelve children were saved. Below and to the right is a girl receiving a gift box.

That brings us to Mali where we had two evangelists/pastors ministering. Mifta was in the Kayes area ministering to Malinka, Soninke, Fulani, and Khassonke ethnic groups. They saw a modest response of about 100 come to Jesus. Pastor Mifta was particularly encouraged about the use of the Jesus film for evangelizing the nations. Pastor Badr worked almost exclusively among the Senofou since he was rejected among all but one Samogo village. He saw almost 250 come to Jesus total. In the second village the chief came to Jesus and surprisingly I had a part in that by Viber communication with Badr, communicating with the chief. In the third village Badr's "guardian" and his family all accepted Jesus and he burned his fetish's (idols). In that village the chief testified, "you have brought a message of peace to the village, from now on the village is open in 'front of the church'." I did not understand that last statement which was translated on Viber from French. I believe it means the village is open to whatever Badr wants to do there.

Nabil Nadeem held four nights of outreaches in a village in Sedhiou, Casamance, Senegal. They saw 1,000 watch the Jesus film and 250 of those made decisions for Christ. In May, Badr will reach out to the Fula



To the right is Yasir standing over his new megaphone we purchased as a graduation present from Prince's discipleship center as he goes back to his village in Nigeria to preach the good news about Jesus. Please pray for his safety and success if the Lord moves on your heart. Thank you.



Jalon in Mali, Herman is reaching the Mandinka in the gold mines of Kankan, and Kasim will be reaching out to the unreached in parts of Basse Santa Su, The Gambia. Thank you so much for your prayers and support, without you there is no mission to the unreached in West Africa. Donations may be sent to LBNF, PO Box 50292,