

Mission Guinea Support Update

22nd August 2020

The Mission Guinea Working Group wish to thank you for your continued support of the work, and our brethren, in Guinea. If at any time, you have any questions or feedback about this work, please contact us via our email - guineamission@gmail.com.

If you think others may have a desire to support this work, please forward them this report and direct them to our page on the Gipps Street Church of Christ website (www.gippschurch.com) for additional information.

The Mission Guinea working group last met on the 25th July 2020. The following is a report of major happenings and an update of support.

At the end of the report you will find a number of reports that have been sent through to us by our brethren in Guinea. These reports are uplifting and a good reminder of the difference your support is making in Guinea and to the Church there. Highlights from the reports include:

- Pig project update
- New sponsor - Nathaniel S. Boakai – Voinjama

COVID 19

As we have experienced in Australia COVID 19 has caused restrictions and congregations have not been able to meet together. This is also the case in Guinea and has made meeting together, travel and communication within the country difficult. Please continue to pray for this worldwide pandemic and pray for faith for Christians all over the world.

Support Update

We thank you for your ongoing support even through these difficult times.

We have a second support target for the bible training college of \$15,000 AUD. Currently the amount of support provided toward this target is \$13,277.



Keep in your prayers

- COVID 19 pandemic

Specific prayer request that have come from our brethren in Guinea include:

- Conakry
 - Tamba Nestor TONGUINO health
 - New converts
 - Purchase of a place to worship
- Voinjama
 - James Siaka – passed away
- Belle Vue
 - Purchase land to build a place to worship

Reports from Guinea

You will notice that we have not received as many reports as usual. We are following this up as it is important to know where the funds, which you all help provide, are going. An update will be provided in the next report.

Please see following reports:

- Pig Project update (Pg 3)
- Voinjama (Pg 5)
- Gueckedou (Pg 6)
- Belle Vue (Pg 7-9)
- Conakry (Pg 10-15)

We have also included a report from Gueckedou - Guinea Bear Valley Bible Institute for your encouragement and information on other works happening in Guinea. (Pg 16-18)

We appreciate your support of Mission Guinea and ask that you keep this work and the brethren in Guinea in your prayers.

Pig Project

PROGRESSIVE REPORT FOR CHILDREN'S PIG PROJECT – Sam Williams

Dear Leesa,

We praised God for His care and loving kindness over us despite the worst situation of Epidemic that the world is facing now ever in history. We heard about several cases of Covid-19 infection in the country capital of Conakry but we thank God that there is no case in the forest where we find ourselves because the movement from county to another area has been prohibited for a while

The pig project is progressing and for us to achieve this, we are putting more efforts like feeding and medication. After we received that fund at the later part of 2019 and we were instructed to use it for poultry but after the leaders of various local churches came together, we realised that the fund is insufficient for poultry projects. So we suspended the project for a while because we are in a dilemma. After several months which brother Miller has been writing to know the progress of the project and we now came together and started the pig project that's avoidable instead of poultry project in July 2019. The money was able to get three good quality pigs- 2 females & 1 male and the project started.

Now, the intensive piggery demanded enough food and medical care. So the local churches came together again and concluded that compulsory contributions have to be made. The contribution started, the pigs' food was bought and the veterinary Doctor was invited to treat the pigs. The veterinary Doctor told us that the pigs should be given treatment every month which we have been doing up to this moment. The project is progressing, even one of the females' pigs has given birth to six (6) piglets last month. Unfortunately, there are some local churches that refused to contribute for the progress of this project up till now and by God's grace, as soon as the fruit of the project ripe to benefit, those local churches will be left out until they contribute their quota as others did. We thank you very much for this project that you brought for the children in the church and we are praying to God through His son Christ Jesus to double the fund wherever you took it from (AMEN).

All in all, we are in prayer with you for the Lord to protect you all from the epidemic that is ravaging our world and also thank you indefinitely for your good deeds towards the body of Christ in this part of the world. May the gospel of our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ continue for ever and ever (AMEN).

Here are the attached photos of the pigs and be blessed.

Sam



Signatures by preachers upon receipt of funds:

CONGREGATION AND PREACHER'S SUPPORT FOR APRIL TO JUNE 2020				
CONGREGATION NAME	PREACHER'S NAME	PREACHER'S SUPPORT	CONGREGATION SUPPORT	SIGNATURE DATE
1 Gamoe	Sam Williams	2,363,000	466,000	20/4/2020
2 Mohomou	Antoine Fara	-	466,000	20/4/2020
3 Jokoea	Zeze Beatoqui	373,000	466,000	20/4/2020
4 Bellvue	Cé Kong Zong	-	373,000	20/4/2020
5 Kouan Kan	Philip Sakilla	1,523,000	746,000	20/4/2020
6 Macenta	Pokpa Kaluogui	-	746,000	20/4/2020
7 Laine	George Stomo	-	1,959,000	20/4/2020

Voinjama

Dear brethren,

Thank you for the communication on reporting activities here at the Voinjama Church of Christ.

Firstly, we are grateful for the stipend and it was received. I communicated that already. We started receiving communication Mission Guinea last month; July 2020.

We will communicate our activities and pray for greater work in the Lord;s Vineyard.

We are a little congregation and have come from split because one of the brothers was involved in a sexually immoral. When he refused to repent, the Church withdrew from him and those who supported him left the Church. We later realized that other congregations started to support him; and we withdrew from those congregations.

Whatsoever the case, we are overcoming the by the grace of God the split. Brother Miller, Michael and one of the sisters visited from Australia and shared with them the work here in Voinjama. We have a radio programs called the Back to the Bible, supported by Niceville Church of Christ in the United States of America. We always update on our activities.

May we remain faithful to the Lord and serve humanity.

Nathaniel S. Boakai

Voinjama

Brethren,

We just received a call that brother James Siaka passed off at the hospital here in Voinjama.

Brother Siaka was baptized at the Vojama Central Prison. He received his baptism at the Prison when the gospel was preached to him. We learned that he felt out and was taken to the hospital and later pronounced dead.

I am now going to the Prison Compound to meet the authority there and family members.

We will let you all the final arrangement concerning his burial.

May he rest with our Lord Jesus Christ.

Boaka

Gueckedou

CHRIST CHURCH

Gueckedou BP88/Solondonin

S/C EV: Saa philippe Tolno

A Our Brothers and

Sisters of the Church of Christ of Australia

S/C Abraham Miller

Subject: thank you letter

We the brothers and sisters of the Church of Christ of Gueckedou, have the honor to come very respectfully to the Lord our Savior Jesus Christ, to thank you very sincerely for your tireless support that you do not cease to do for us, namely the support of the preachers and the help of the church, we have received an amount of **(2.510.000GNF) two million five hundred ten thousand Guinean francs** is a biblical example that you always show us charity, we have to give as a Christian for a few reasons:

- 1- Give to help the poor brothers who are among us as God had given Moses the recommendation to speak to the Jews. **Deuteronomy 15:8-11**
- 2- Give for the work of God. **2 Corinthians 11:8**, Paul sought help elsewhere to help the Corinthians by announcing the Gospel;
- 3- Give for blessing. **Proverbs 11:25, Deuteronomy 5:10, Matthew 10:42**

In conclusion, we thank you and embarrass you in Christ Jesus

NB: Brother Abraham Miller and Family, our prayer to God Savior is that God bless you and protect you in the fulfillment of his work on earth because of the love you have for us, your brothers who are in Guinea, Thank you brother Abraham Miller.

Belle Vue

ACTIVITIES REPORT OF THE BELLE VUE ASSEMBLY/ N'ZRERKORE URBAN CITY

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2020 QUARTER 1 AND 2 - JANUARY TO JUNE

Dear brethren,

Please receive our warm greeting in the wonderful name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are very much concerned about the deadly virus that continues to destroy the world at the current moment. Being in prayer with all of our brethren around the World, we urge our God to keep everyone safe from the disease.

With the Covid-19 spread, activities were limited in the first two quarters of current year. Regarding the disease, the government made the decision to suspend all regrouping of people which put stop to the meeting of the saints. The present report is comprised of few activities undertook by the local congregation before the spread of the pandemic lockdown and are as follow:

1. Spiritual activities
 2. Physical activities
 3. Statistics on the Sunday service attendance, collect and baptism
 4. Thanks giving
 5. Prayer request
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- I. **Spiritual activities:** As part of the spiritual activities, service from January to March 22nd the start of the lockdown was regular on Sunday from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM. The topic under discussion was: the work "Perfect and imperfect work". Home visits were maintained to encourage members. Fast and prayer are conducted the first Saturday of every month but individually.
 - II. **Physical activities:** In the course of the first quarter the congregation undertook bricks molding to build the foundation of the worship edifice.
(below are photos of some foundation blocks)
 - III. **Statistics on the Sunday service attendance, collect and baptism:** See in below charts details of collect and attendance on Sunday

OCTOBER SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE AND COLLECT

DATE	ATTENDANCE				COLLECT
	MEN	WOMEN	CHILDREN	TOTAL	
05/01/2020	4	9	17	30	87 500 GNF

12/01/2020	7	8	14	29	60 000 GNF
19/01/2020	6	8	19	33	62 000 GNF
26/01/2019	5	9	10	24	51 000 GNF
TOTAL					260 500 GNF

Baptism: 0

NOVEMBER SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE AND COLLECT

DATE	ATTENDANCE				COLLECT
	MEN	WOMEN	CHILDREN	TOTAL	
02/02/2020	7	8	10	25	68 500 GNF
09/02/2020	4	7	11	22	65 000 GNF
16/02/2020	5	8	13	25	58 500 GNF
23/02/2020	7	7	16	30	71 000 GNF
TOTAL					263 000 GNF

Baptism: 0

DECEMBER SUNDAY SERVICE ATTENDANCE AND COLLECT

DATE	ATTENDANCE				COLLECT
	MEN	OMEN	CHILDREN	TOTAL	
01/03/2020	5	9	14	28	65 000 GNF
08/03/2020	7	9	19	35	82 000 GNF
15/03/2020	5	7	12	24	64 000 GNF
22/03/2019	4	7	10	21	68 500 GNF
29/12/2019	-	-	-	-	Lockdown start
TOTAL					279 500 GNF

BAPTISM: 0

COLLECT DETAILS

quarterly collect: 260 500 GNF + 263 000 GNF + 279 500 GNF = **803 000 GNF**

Total quarterly expenditure: 510 000 GNF + 250 000 GNF = **760 000 GNF**

The expenditure include purchase of six bags of cement for foundation blocks and contribution to the children pig project in Samoe.

Total quarterly cash: 803 000 GNF + 760 000 GNF = **43 000 GNF**

BALANCE COLLECT AT BANK: 2 343 300 + 43 000 = 2 386 300 GNF

- IV. **Thanks giving:** glory to the God for his mercy to keeping us safe from this pandemic which is currently affecting the world as whole. Thanks to all of the good will that provide continuous support to the work in Guinea. May our Lord bless you in full.
- V. **Request:** there is an issue that is affecting the church growth in Belle-vue. In some of our past reports I had been notifying you that our brother Jacques who offered piece of his land to build the edifice in 2016 was subject to serious confusion with his wife. As result, he got involved in taking a second wife. He denied the fact after being questioned several times by the assembly. At last his attitude was confirmed when the intended second wife was pregnant. The matter corrupted the image of the church in the community. His neighbors use it to mock at Christ Jesus. Once informed about the situation, the church departed from the yard and Jacques is being excommunicated from the church. The worship service was conducted in my home three weeks before the Covid-19 emergency measures took effect. Therefore, the bricks molded to build the foundation are kept in stock while we are searching land to buy for building edifice. We seriously need your prayer and help to assist the church in having land on its own because my sitting room is very small to host the attendees.
- NB: the less cost of land in our community is about 18 000 000 GNF per lot.

PHOTOS OF THE FOUNDATION BLOCKS



Conakry



EGLISE DU CHRIST DE GUINEE



ASSEMBLEE DE CITE DE L 'AIR CONAKRY- REPUBLIQUE DE GUINEE

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END OF YEAR REPORT 2019 AND BEGINNING OF 2020

PREACHER: Tamba Nestor TONGUINO

PERIOD: 2019-2020

INTRODUCTION: on the whole, we thank God for his grace which he has granted us during all these periods, we have all been well kept by the grace of God and the whole Church. We thank God for this blessing in the name of Jesus Amen, despite some cases of illness.

I - EVANGELIZATION WORK: 2019-2020:

a- Teaching in the church: "on the different doctrines of the Church of Christ"

b- Teaching young people about: homiletics, the art of preaching (speaking) in public.

c- The organization of public and private evangelizations in Conakry.

d- Preaching on Radio Familia FM 105.3 in Conakry every Tuesday evening from 9 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on various subjects.

e- Teaching at the church on Friday evening from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

f- Evangelization trips and visits to prefectures in the interior of the country together with Guinean and foreign brothers.

g- Visits of evangelization and encouragement in local assemblies

h- Field research procedures with brother Georges Akpabli in Conakry

i- -the revitalization and reminder of the roles of the sub-working committees at the church

j-Fast and group prayers every first (Friday of the month for:

-the growth of the church

-the realization of church programs

- personal and collective needs

- the foreign assemblies which support the work in Guinea

- the physical and spiritual sick

k- 3- the organization of a fraternal meal for the end of the year and group prayer on December 31, 2020

II - ACQUIRED RESULTS OF THE WORK:

- 1- Some people baptized in the Church women and men
- 2- The positive change in the size of the meeting
- 3- The level of maturity crossing members a little high
- 4- Our brother Georges Akpabli field research visit to Conakry or the Land
- 5- The visit of our brothers from Australia
- 7- The granting of free Bibles by brother Georges Akpabli of the American brothers

THE BAPTISES OF RADIO PREACHING AND EVANGELIZATION AT CONAKRY





Free **Distribution of Bibles by Director Georges Apkabili, donated by the Americans:**



THE SITUATION OF THE ASSEMBLIES IN GUINEA-CONAKRY:

No	CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN GUINEA	NAMES OF THE PREACHERS
01	Assembly of Koloma1 Conakry	Tonguino Tamba K. Nestor
03	Assembly of Dabola Prefecture	Saa Etienne Millimouno
04	Assembly of Kissidougou Prefecture	Balla Kamano
05	Assembly of Gueckedou solondonin	Saa Phillippe Tolno
06	Assembly of Nongoa Sous Prefecture (Guéckédou)	Saa Bengou Millimouno
07	Assembly of Dawa Village	Saa Eloi Koundouno
08	Assembly of Kollian Villag e Nongoa Sous-Préfecture	Jean Marie Tonguino
09	Assembly of Ouende Kendema Sous-Peéfecture(Guéckédou)	Saa Nestor Millimouno
10	Assembly of Sandia Village	Tamba Gilbert Tolno
11	Assembly of Nongolo Village Gueckédou)	Saa Ballot Millimouno
12	Assembly of Ledoumboullo village	Jean Lamah
13	Assembly of Sokoura N'zérékoré	Zzé Beavogui
14	Assembly of Mohomou N'zérékoré prefecture	Antoine Fassa Tolno
15	Assembly of Macenta Prefecture	Charles Koivogui
16	Assembly of Borea refugee camp (kissidougou)	Alphonse Millimouno
17	Assembly of Ansouniah Conakry	Georges Gnama Grovogui
18	Assembly of Banko sous prefecture (Dabola)	Lambert Tolno
19	Assembly of Gbangbadou	Balla Kamano

20	Assembly of Kountaya	Alfred Kaba
21	Assembly of Bandallo villag	Saa Kamano
22	Assembly of Nongoa Pombo	Saa Marcel
23	Assembly of Lènè refugee camp	Emmanuel
24	Assembly of Samoey (NZérékoré)	Brother Samuel
25	Assembly of Kouankan refugee camp (Macenta)	Philippe Sakilla
26	Assembly of Yembeya Conakry	Sory Temessadouno
28	Assemblée Soproma	Barrè Grovogui
29	Assembly of Farako Gueckedou	Niouma Kamano
30	Assembly of Botema	Antoine Leno
31	Asssembly of Balladou	Tamba Emmanuel Kamano
32	Assembly of Carrière	Saa Nestor Millimouno
33	Assembly of Ledoumboulo	Saa Michel Millimouno

NB: during these last ones, we had experienced difficulties linked to the pandemic of Covi19,. We had not been able to meet in assembly to adore the Lord, but had always continued our adoration in respective homes for, not to stray from our Lord according to Heb 10: 25-26 and we pray that God may end with this evil spirit which threatens the whole world in the name of Jesus amen.

Also since 2019 to this month of July 2020 personally I the evangelist Nestor Tamba TONGUINO I have been very seriously ill but thanks to the material, spiritual and financial support of the brothers I give glory to God today. I take this opportunity to apologize to everyone for the time taken without sending you my work report and ask you to continue to pray for me to have my best health in the name of Jesus Christ Amen!

CONCLUSION:

In the peace of Christ, it was a great blessing for us, with these souls converted and added to the Church of the Lord, all the subjects taught were very edifying for the members with satisfaction of all to enlarge the kingdom

We pray for these saved souls that God will keep them firmly in the faith and make them grow spiritually in Christ Amen!

We are in prayer for the obtaining of land for the construction of a house of worship in Conakry, please we invite you all to be with us in prayer for the need;

We thank God and all the brothers who supported us from near and far and may God bless us in the name of Jesus Amen!

Conakry 07/20/2020

Evangeliste : Nestor Tamba TONGUINO

Gueckedou - Guinea Bear Valley Bible Institute

Gueckedou, Guinea Bear Valley Bible Institute Activity Report for June and July 2020

It has been quite a difficult time during the lockdown to fully achieve our desires and plans here at the Gueckedou Bible Institute. Nevertheless we were able to make some significant progress in the areas of congregational visit and evangelism. Under Government authorization we were also able to resume classes even though there were obstacles hindering the return of some of the students. Public worship services have also begun and there is a high turn up of the congregation at the school premises thereby demanding a wider space / hall. Here below are the details of the activities highlighted above.

School Resumption: After almost 4 months of lockdown due to the pandemic Government had with strict health measures finally authorize the reopening of schools and religious centers in rural areas. Due to that long period of health crises coupled with the farming season we at the Gueckedou School encountered difficulties in getting back some of the students. By the grace of God a good number did return, but normal classes did not start till 1 week after the official reopening. On the other hand, there is a high turn up of the congregations' members who meet at the school premises. Before the lockdown our average attendance was 60, but now we are within 80 to 85.

Now in accordance with government health restrictions especially for distancing, we are considering putting up a temporary, but durable shelter in the wide space before the main building. This will serve not only for the congregation and the school session, but for other gatherings or ceremonies such as seminars and graduations.

We have already made sanitizers available for the school and the church community and masques for the students.

Classroom: After the March – June health crises lockdown normal classes at the Gueckedou School resumed on July 6th with 17 of the initial 20 students on roll. A few days later 1 of the 17 students had to leave due to illness and was encouraged to ensure proper treatment before returning if necessary to wait for the next batch. This means that there are at present 16 students on roll to continue for this academic year. A new paper binder has been purchased to replace the spoiled one. Courses completed so far include Hermeneutics 1 and the Godhead. This quarter's course materials are scheduled to be completed by the 22nd of September.

Congregational Visit / Evangelism: Just before and especially after the lifting of the lockdown band we started making regular weekend visits to encourage and strengthen the new congregations. During these visits, we were able to **convert a total of 13 souls** in 3 locations – Gueckedou town plus 2 new villages where we also extended our evangelical visits.

Drilled Well on Agriculture Land: With the help of Healing Hands International, we were able to drill the well in the month of May which was the lockdown period. The water is good, abundant and needed by the community and we are ready to serve, but due to the

well's present location – being a bit distant for town not many are able to walk the 300 meters compared to other sources around. Until the buildings of the town which are progressing towards the direction get closer, we have but a few persons who come to fetch the water. Perhaps the need will increase during the dry season.

Conclusion: Gueckedou, Guinea Bear Valley Bible Institute has resumed normal classes after some 4 months of lockdown due to the health crises. Sixteen of the 17 students who returned are continuing the course study. Congregational visits and evangelism are strengthening the churches and there were 13 souls added to the body of Christ. We are doing our best to satisfy the Government requirement for health measures. It is our prayer that God will continue to protect and bless the Bear Valley Overseas partners whose support has kept us going. May God eradicate the deadly virus so that we can continue his service. We also thank Healing Hands and all of you for your prayers and support as we look up to moving forward. Photos attached

Your servant

Francis



Students resume classes at Gueckedou BV Bible Institute



New Binder - pamphlets being made for students



5 Baptised at Vee-lela village



1 Baptism at Gueck



3 Baptized at Gueck



Fetching water from the BV pump 1



Water from the BV pump 2