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Lab Technicians taking our COVID-19 test samples on our front porch

We're Negative!

After an overnight flight from Chicago to London and another overnight flight from London to Abuja, we arrived in Abuja at 4:15 AM on September 30. It took about an hour and a half to clear COVID-19 protocols, immigration, and customs. Our faithful mission driver, Danjuma, met us at the airport and we were on our way to Jos by 6:00 AM.

It was so good to be home again, although because of COVID-19 restrictions we were forced to self-isolate for 7 days. We had our COVID tests on Thursday, October 8 and got our results on Saturday, October 10. We were relieved to find out that we were negative. Mike was able to return to the office on Monday, October 12. We thank God for a safe trip and for protecting us from COVID-19 during the journey.

Please pray that we will be used by God during this term of service in Nigeria.

PRAYER POINTS

- * Thank God that the spread of COVID-19 in Nigeria has slowed down.
- * Thank God that we were able to return to our home and ministry. in Nigeria. Give thanks that we were protected from COVID-19 during the journey.
- Pray for Mike as he finishes up preparation for two courses at the Nigeria Evangelical Missionary Institute.
- * Pray for patience for Ryan and Jody Faber as they look forward to their arrival in Nigeria. Pray that their visas would be issued soon and that they will be able to get settled in Nigeria.
- Pray for our colleague, Kathy Vanderkloet, who will be retiring on October 25. Pray for a smooth transition to life in Canada.

OUR MINISTRY

Mike serves as the Nigeria Team
Leader for Resonate Global Mission in
Nigeria and as an Advisor to the CRC-N
Missions Department.

COVID-19 UPDATE

The number of COVID-19 cases in Nigeria is increasing slowly. As of October 19, 2020, there were 61,440 confirmed cases in the country with 1,125 deaths. Plateau State has recorded 3,581 cases with 33 deaths.

MISSIONARY TRAINING

Mike is preparing notes for two courses he will co-teach at the Nigeria Evangelical Missionary Institute (NEMI) later this month. The first course is titled, "A Leader's Passion for God," and the second course is on Spiritual Disciplines.

MISSIONARY COLLEAGUE RETIRES

Our colleague, Kathy Vanderkloet, will be retiring and leaving Nigeria on October 25. Kathy has served as the Business Manager for our mission for the past 19+ years. Before that she worked with the CRC-N in Taraba State. Please pray for her as she makes this transition.



The view from our front yard as we approach the end of rainy season

FABER FAMILY UPDATE

Thank you for your continued prayers for the Faber family. They are waiting for their visas for

Nigeria to be approved so that they can move to Nigeria and begin their ministry here in the coming months.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Our ministry in Nigeria would not be possible without your prayers and financial support. Thank you for partnering with us as we work to strengthen the global church in Nigeria!

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