

Prayer Needs:

- Please pray that as the gospel is preached in villages, towns and cities around the world during this Christmas season that many will respond and embrace Jesus as their Savior and Lord.
- I (Mike) have been battling with a low-grade fever for the past several months. I am able to do my work, but I don't have my usual amount of energy. Doctors think that the problem is caused by a mosquito-borne virus. Please pray for complete recovery and renewed energy.
- Pray for the CRC-N Missions Department Director, Rev. Joseph Ajaver, who will be retiring on March 24, 2018. Pray for Rev. Joseph's final months of service and for God to continue to use him in his retirement.
- Please pray for our children in the USA as they celebrate Christmas with Mike's family in Chicago. Pray especially for Brian to complete his student teaching requirements and be granted a State of Illinois Teaching Certificate.

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Merry Christmas & Blessed New Year!

We pray that each one of you will experience a Merry Christmas and the Lord's blessings in 2018! Pray that the gospel will be preached faithfully around the world during this Christmas season and many will put their faith in Jesus.

Highlights & Challenges in 2017

Some of the highlights and challenges for us in 2017 were: Mike taught a week-long intensive course on Missionary Interpersonal Relationships at Missionary Training Partners International in March and another course on Missions in the Book of Acts in November. We visited our newest supporting church in Oostburg, WI, 8 supporting churches in Illinois, and one supporting church in Grand Rapids, MI and Artesia, CA from April to July. Victoria was sworn in as a USA citizen on May 26. We returned to Nigeria on July 10. Mike taught a workshop on "The Pastors' Family in Perilous Times" for over 400 CRC-N pastors and their wives in August. We hosted Rev. Dr. Gerald Vander Hoek from Denver, CO, who taught for two weeks in October at the Theological College of Northern Nigeria.

Rev. Dr. Gerald Vander Hoek preaching at the Theological College of Northern Nigeria Chapel

