



the Holmes Family

MISSIONARIES TO NIGERIA, WEST AFRICA

May/June 2018

Dear Praying Friends:

On July 3, our family departed Nigeria, bound for Louisiana. We arrived safely, and all of Sabrina's initial doctors' appointments have gone well, as we are anticipating the birth of our sixth child around the second week of September. During the two weeks before our flight, we had the pleasure of fellowshiping with two missionary families as they visited Abuja, and special times were planned with the leadership of both churches in which our family is involved.

In May, all seven of us traveled to Port Harcourt to be a part of Independent Baptist Church's Ladies' Spectacular; we were pleased to be joined by Ms. Pat Hamburg, who has worked with our ministry for several years. Though Sabrina experienced some health challenges, she was able to teach with Ms. Pat and Mrs. Maskey and several others, and I had the unique privilege of preaching on Thursday evening to all the delegates. It was my fifteenth occasion in twelve years to minister in this wonderful church!

At the beginning of May, the Providence Baptist College and Seminary completed its most active semester in our nine-year history. The ministers-in-training witnessed a graduation, a pastors' conference, and the first time to have five teachers together. All eighteen students participated in a multi-day leadership seminar, weekly driver training, and a week-long skills-acquisition time that taught them small business skills. Several had unique opportunities for village outreach, and all participated in the following various regular activities: Bible Clubs for children, youth meetings, Sunday school classes for singles, Christian film showings both in the school and in the local area, Government School Ministry, and outreach Bible studies.

There are many ways you can intercede for our ministry over the next few months. Please pray for my family as we travel to report on our work and as we prepare in faith for the new addition. Truth and Grace & Glory will have over twenty different men preaching in my absence, and two pastors' meetings will be held. Three teachers will continue the work of the seminary, beginning again in August. Finally, I know the McGuffees would be glad for your prayers as they prepare to conduct three youth camps, starting at the end of July.

Believing God,

Mark Holmes, written 25 July 2018



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