



August 19, 2021

Pastors, family, and friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers while we were preparing to leave for our mission field during the month of July and the beginning of August. We are happy to announce that we are now currently in the country of Nigeria! We arrived on the 11th of this month and we had no complications traveling to Nigeria. We appreciate your prayers for travel and safety.

Since we have arrived, we have taken steps to set up our life here like housing, a Nigerian bank account, and finding a vehicle. So far we have found a high clearance vehicle that suits our needs here. We are thankful that the Lord blessed us with a good vehicle with no major problems in the right price range. We have also been looking for a house to rent in the village of Kurudu in a Veteran Military neighborhood. As we took some time to look at different potential houses, we believe the Lord has led us to find a home in the capital city. We would appreciate your prayers for finding a rental house or duplex in a secure neighborhood in Abuja. While we were setting up our Nigerian bank account, I had the opportunity to meet a man named Soji. He has been very helpful to us and I gave him an invitation to the church plant we are serving at in Abuja. He expressed interest and said that the church was close to where he lived. He tried to come to church last Sunday, but couldn't find the location. I want to continue to build a good relationship with him and I am praying he will be our very first visitor this coming Sunday.

Anneliese had the opportunity to visit a deaf couple from one of the church plants here this past Saturday with the missionaries we are working with. She has expressed interest in learning ASL and the deaf are teaching us some signs as well. Anneliese also had the opportunity to go out into the neighborhood with the missionary's oldest daughter and a national to invite children to Friday Bible Club. There are so many ministry opportunities here!

I will be preaching a series on Heaven during Tuesday midweek services and speaking seven times at a Youth Conference in Calabar next month. My wife will be speaking to ladies in two seminars during that conference as well. Thank you all again for your love and support. We are so thankful for those that follow along on our new adventure. We love where we are at and we love serving the Lord here.

Your ambassadors to Nigeria,

Garan and Anneliese Patrick