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Pastors, family, and friends,

Happy new month!

We had a great month of ministry in the month of March. My wife and I were privileged to speak at a Youth Conference in Port Harcourt with veteran missionaries, Dave and Rose Maskey. Many made life decisions and were very responsive to the preaching time and games. My wife taught the teen girls and I taught the teenage boys and young adults. We also enjoyed fellowshiping with other BIMI missionaries. On the last day of the conference, I was able to give copies of my first book "Pride and Humility: The World's Most Underrated Sin" to every delegate at the Youth Conference. I plan on writing more material due to the lack of Christian based books available here.

After we arrived back from the Youth Conference, I had the opportunity to do a Baby Dedication at one of our newest church members' home. Baby Dedications are a big deal here in Nigeria. This was the first family I have ever baptized and it was a special treat for me to conduct their baby dedication. I was also honored to bring the newborn baby, Rex Moshe, outside of their house for the first time. In essence, I was introducing him to the world.

Every other week we attend a school Bible club in the city of One Man Village. While on our way to the school, we ran into some "agberos." Agberos are roadside tax collectors that are supposed to pull over commercial vehicles, but they take advantage of anyone they think they can pull over. Agberos pulled us over once and we settled the situation to let us continue driving. After our first encounter, we ran into some more agberos but this time I kept on driving. Somehow, one of them pulled off our license plate. We managed to get our license plate back with the help of a friend who has close ties with the police. We were very thankful God took care of us in retrieving our license plate and the friends God has blessed us with here. God has always proven Himself faithful. I am continuing how to "drive" in Nigeria, which includes how to aggressively respond to people who want to stop and extort Americans :)

A while back, I posted a short video on Facebook of what a fuel crisis looks like here in Nigeria. Nigeria has been suffering through a fuel shortage for about two months. It is very difficult for people here during a fuel shortage because many cannot work or find transport, and all of the prices go up. Sometimes it will get so bad that there will be fights over fuel. There were multiple times when we thought it was over and getting better, but somehow the next day the lines for fuel went right back to being a 6 hour wait. Now after the many weeks of the fuel shortage, it looks like things are back to normal again. God supplied our needs during the fuel shortage and we are very thankful.

Thank you to our supporters and prayer warriors. We feel your prayers here in Nigeria and look

forward to updating you next month. God bless.

Your ambassadors to Nigeria,

Garan and Anneliese Patrick

