

Dear friends,

Mary and I started our mandate in 2022 with the major 5 -10 year goals that included raising and sustaining full time gift income staffs in our ministry and ensuring vibrant missional communities that are aggressively reaching out with the Gospel of Jesus to the unreached and under-reached people groups in Cameroon and beyond.

Our major focus for 2023.

The starting point for us was to **put a structure in place that will facilitate support of the expansion of the Gospel INTO the diverse communities of Cameroon and beyond.** Check out how we are seeing God so far:

- a. There has been improvements in the area of ministry partnership through Funding both from within the Navs and from external donors. We have noticed about 15% increase in giving commitments from among navigators in Cameroon. This was particularly experienced after the Conference we had on Funding the Gospel last summer. We equally noticed an increase in the number of ministry partners from outside the Ministry. Our Gift income staff gained skills and courage in recruiting more partners. We are thankful to God for the fruits so far and trusting God for more as we continue to follow-through on the principles learned.
- b. The number of Administrative Staff has increased from 2 volunteers to 5, with 4 being supported from within the ministry.
- c. We have been able by God's grace to send out beyond our National Borders our first missionary couple! The Sonkeys moved to Sierra Leone last January 14th, 2024 and are settling down. This is quite inspiring for the young labourers and leaders who are growing.
- d. God is opening our eyes to Ministry opportunities through Income Generating Projects. We have set up a project team who are making simulations for a Conference and Retreat Center or a School Project.



Missions Initiatives/Priority Areas:

We are excited to see how as a ministry, we are growing in a common understanding that the Gospel movement is at the Core of Missions. This growth is evidenced by several missions initiatives carried out by different ministry affinities in different rural communities in Cameroon. Some highlights on missions initiative includes:

- e. The April 2023 Mission Survey which was conducted by the rural missions team in three different localities in the Adamawa Region. The outcome helped us affirm the three Northern regions (which is predominantly Islamic and make up about 40% of the Cameroonian population) as our Missions Priority Areas for the next 10 years.
- f. The National Missions Conference which took place in November 2023 under the theme "Developing and Sustaining a Heart for Strategic Missions to the Unreached" brought together about 45 participants across the country. Most participants left the conference ground more informed and convinced that they can be involved in missions either by going

or giving. The aim was to recruit more volunteers to full time missions. We are glad that four courageous young people shared a deep desire to take the step of faith.

Personal Development in Leadership:

Mary and I made 4 international travels for conferences and trainings: two to Kenya, one to Malaysia and one to Mauritius Island. A major highlight from the Trainings include the necessity to maintain growth in our personal development. This will help us stay healthy as we keep a vibrant personal walk with God and also in our leadership in Ministry so as to always ensure that the Gospel of Jesus and His Kingdom is advancing in Cameroon, Leaders are emerging and labourers are living and discipling among the lost.

We were able to accomplish the above because of your prayers and financial support. We are deeply grateful.

2024 PERSPECTIVE

As we look at 2024 through the lens of our strategic goals and based on the realizations of 2023, Mary and I are very excited to spend most of our energy on the following:

1. **Ensure follow-up** on the implementation of the resolutions of last year's Conferences and events to ensure continuity. This will be done through consultations, retreats and visits.
2. **Training/Developing leaders:**
 - a. The Forum on the CORE: **Missional Communities** is the vehicle that drives our mission through all our ministry affinities into the diverse contexts of Cameroon. So we plan to have a training Forum on the CORE with emphasis on Missional Communities during this Easter break. This forum shall bring together about 100 labourers for an intense time in the Word and refreshing fellowship.
 - b. As a matter of priority we will be recruiting, training and developing labourers and leaders for the different ministry affinities. For instance.
 - i. We are planning a training on "Ministry among the FOCUS" for our priority mission areas in July 2024. So far, we have about 40 trainees signing up.
 - ii. We will be intentional in recruiting/raising foundational leaders for ministry among the French-speaking communities who will in turn raise labourers to take the Gospel INTO their contexts as insiders.
 - iii. Capacity Building for regional coordinators for effective local leadership.

Need for Travels

We plan to make on average 15 travels within Cameroon to meet our goals for training and developing leaders that will strengthen our grassroots ministries and ensures alignment to our CORE and Faith Goals. We are also hoping to do three international travels to continue building our capacity. We will communicate accordingly.

Focus on Family

Mary and I are doing well and continue to be blessed by each other in our Marriage. She enjoys helping women become better wives to their husbands and great moms to their kids. She's leading a community of about 50 of them through a series known as "The Excellent Wife Day by Day" and the women always look forward to their meeting time.

Keziah (22) is in her 4th year in the university of Dschang where she is reading pharmacy. She enjoys her studies and is serving with the Dschang campus ministry team.

Kurtis (20) is in his 2nd year in the university of Buea where he is reading Marketing, Trade and Sales. He's a passionate lover of Jesus and is involved in the Nav ministry in Buea.

Kendra (17) travelled to China where she will be studying Fashion Design. She's fascinated with it and is a lover of Jesus as well.

Kemuel (14) is in secondary school. He loves Jesus and is leading 3 of his friends through the lessons on Assurances.

Ruthney (11) is also in secondary school and loves Jesus.



Would you consider to be part of this work in Cameroon?

In view of all these, this year 2024, we are trusting God to raise **18,500,000XAF (\$37,000)** to be able to meet with our annual Family and Ministry goals. Could you please pray and consider a monthly gift of \$100, \$ 200, \$ 300, or \$ 500? You can choose to give quarterly, annually or a large one-time donation. This is how your gift can reach us: Through online giving use the following link:

<https://donations.navigators.org/s/fund/a4e1Q000000UiTXQA0/vincent-taniform>

Thanks so much for your partnership in this exciting journey.

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