



Balama Project

Transforming lives in rural Liberia.

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Dear Partner in Mission,

We arrived safely in Liberia on December 5th. It was wonderful to be reunited with our children, Derrick and Jessica. I believe we arrived “in the nick of time” as the children and the entire house looked, as they say in Liberia, “dry”. Returning to Liberia for the second time was much harder than when I arrived newly more than a year ago. This time I’m aware of the harsh living conditions and poverty that surrounds me. Both Leela and I are making the slow adjustment but please pray for an extra measure of grace for us both as we live and work on the mission field.

Because Christmas is just around the corner we have plunged into service. Jessy made a four day trek into Balama to meet with the school and community leaders to prepare for ministry on a much tighter budget than last year. Plans have been made to begin the community farming projects (garden and fish pond) and the fields have already been cleared in anticipation. I have been busy sorting supplies and gifts for our annual Christmas outreach. This year’s outreach will be a two day event starting December 22 with a town meeting and an Academic Awards program at the school. The top students from every grade will be recognized. The family of each honoree will be able to visit the clothing closet to select their gifts. Also during this program the textbooks that were so generously donated by many of you, especially the large donation of books by First Baptist Carrollton will be presented. On December 23rd we will be having a joint worship service with all the villagers in the Suakoko district. Please pray the spirit and revelation of Christ is present in all that we do and lives will be transformed.

Thank you for your gifts and contributions that make all this possible. To increase and expand our support efforts we are asking that small groups or church partners consider making a 5th Sunday offering especially for Balama Project. Attached is a flier with more information about how you and your small group can take advantage of this opportunity. Once again, Thank you and have a Wonderful Christmas!

Sincerely,

Calandra J. Togbadoya

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