

In His Hands

(Isaiah 49:16)



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Praise God! Bintou is a Wycliffe member as of November 1st!

More on the implications of this exciting news below.

“I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.” 1 Corinthians 3:6

Recently we received another phone call with very exciting news! Over a year ago, Yon (name has been changed) attended our “Bible through Music Ministry,” an evangelistic concert that plants seeds of biblical truths through songs and choreographed dances. The theme of this particular concert was the necessity of repentance in having a pure heart before God. You can imagine our excitement when, more than a year later, we got to **hear first-hand how God has used this ministry to change Yon’s life!** He confessed his past life to us and shared how God used our Bible teaching to convict him of sin and show him he needed to make his life right with God. What a privilege to have a part in his story and to be able to encourage him and pray with him! We marvel at the mighty work of God in this man’s life - more than twelve months after we planted the Word of God in his heart, God made it grow and we are now seeing the fruit!



The timing of this call from Yon confirmed in our hearts God’s continued call on our lives to bring God’s Word to His people in their heart language through ministry with Wycliffe...even as a pilot and medical doctor!

You may be wondering...**Practical Implications of Bintou’s Wycliffe Membership:**

- 1) Our **Wycliffe ministry budget has finally adjusted** to meet the needs our shared, married ministry. Prior to Bintou being granted Wycliffe membership, my Wycliffe ministry budget, established when I was single, could not be increased to account for dual-ministry expenses. Based on this long-awaited adjustment, our present financial partnerships make up 54% of our new budget.
- 2) Per Wycliffe guidelines, 100% of our Wycliffe ministry budget must be pledged before we can return to Gabon. Please pray that that we can **expand our partnership team quickly to get the remaining 46%**. We would also be incredibly grateful if you would share our ministry among your personal networks with anyone whom you think may be interested in partnering with us!
- 3) If you **pray regularly** (once a month or more) for us, please send us a **confirmation** email so that we can report that during this time of preparation.
- 4) Based on the above, we are **extending our stay in the U.S.** so that Bintou can complete Wycliffe new member training and we can develop a full prayer and financial partnership team for our shared Wycliffe ministry.
- 5) We are thankful that Bintou will soon have **health and dental insurance!**

News (and prayer requests) from Bongolo:

- 1) Praise the Lord for a **new doctor family** coming to meet a critical need.
- 2) The **airplane is based in Cameroon** until our return. Pray for safe road travels in the meantime.
- 3) The **eye clinic** is operating **short-staffed** as Bintou and the head of the eye clinic are in the US.
- 4) A heavy thunderstorm two weeks ago **disabled the network** including phones, X-Ray distribution and internet access. Please pray that full functionality can be restored soon!

We're Thankful...for the Lord's provision and protection as we traveled 6000+ miles! As we have traveled, we have been awe-struck by the colors of fall. Our hearts were also warmed as we saw the diversity of God's people who **love the Lord deeply and are being light and salt in their spheres of influence. Thank you for your love, care and hospitality.** God is opening a new chapter in our lives and we are looking forward to continuing this journey with the Lord and you!

Praise and Prayer Summary

Praises:

- Bintou's Wycliffe membership!
- Safety as we have traveled and special moments with so many of you!
- A new doctor family that is planning to come to Bongolo!

Prayer:

- Our full financial partnership would be met quickly so that we can return to Bongolo.
- Strength and wisdom as we continue our Wycliffe training and are involved with our church and family while we are in the US.
- The Gabonese church translation committee as they plan another translation training event the end of November at Bongolo.



Happy Thanksgiving,
Rob & Bintou

<http://www.petersonfamily.info> (More highlights from our road trip are shared on our blog [here](#))
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