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Goals: **Evangelism** Discipleship **Church Planting**

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son. and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you Matthew 28:19,20

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How often do you brush your teeth?...Oh, you thought this letter was about missions? Well, as a missionary, I have filled some unforeseen roles. This past

week was one of those instances as I assisted a dentist. After seeing over 70 teeth being pulled, I learned that I need to brush my teeth more often for my physical health and gained some sermon illustrations for maintaining our spiritual health. However, the biggest blessing from this past week was the opportunity to share the gospel with over 1,100 people.



This was possible thanks to a Medical Missions Outreach team of around 40 people who came to host some medical days in a couple of nearby villages. The two villages are not far from the Bingerville church, and the church

evangelizes in these villages every week as the picture shows me giving the salvation plan to some students at a literacy center in one of the villages. The medical days had the people coming to us and we praise the Lord that 313 of them made professions of faith. Thank you for praying for this big event and please continue to pray for the follow-up work that must be done.



These past two months also included a couple of conferences. The first one involved many BIMI missionaries serving in Africa. It was encouraging to fellowship with other missionaries, but this conference was an extra

blessing for our family as our Pastor Emeritus crossed the ocean to speak at the conference. We were also privileged to host our friends (currently serving in North Africa) before and after the conference. The second conference was the mission conference for the church here. It was encouraging to have two Ivorian missionary families come and testify to what the Lord is doing in their area of the Ivory Coast.



Speaking of mission conferences, I feel as if this letter would be a good time to inform you that we have a scheduled furlough coming up. I know many pastors like to schedule now for the upcoming year so if you would like

us to be at your mission conference or a regular service, we are scheduling meetings from August 2025-May 2026. Please let me know if a certain date

works best for you.

We look forward to seeing many of you again in order to thank you faceto-face for your prayers and support and to share about what the Lord is doing here in West Africa.

-Josh, Alyssa, Adelynn, and Judah Clay