

The Caviness Family

Reaching the Republic of Congo for Christ.

Prayer Requests

Oct - Dec 2024

- 1. That the Lord would open hearts to the gospel.
- 2. That the Lord would burden the hearts of others to come serve in Congo.
- 3. That the Lord would give us the contacts and connections that would open more doors for ministry.



New furniture for Christmas!



Getting ready for Christmas

Dear Pastors and Friends,

Thank you for praying for us and our ministry here in Congo! Over the past few months, I have had the opportunity to take trips to survey some cities for future ministry. One of these trips took me to the town of Owando. Having a population of around 48,000, it is the home to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese. As I walked its streets, explored neighborhoods, and took a survey of the different churches and religions, I could see so much potential and need for future ministry. Over the past several months, I have seen many cities with equal need and opportunity for ministry. As a family, we not only ask the Lord for His direction but also pray that He will burden the hearts of some of you to join us in the work in Congo.

We want to say thank you for praying for us as we made the nine-hour drive to Pointe Noire to get all of the supplies that came in on the container! We saw the Lord's hand in so many ways. From the travel to the way the container was released from customs, there was no question that many people were praying. The items we received in the container have already made a massive impact on our day-to-day life and ministry. Possibly the most impactful thing we were able to bring over and set up has been a small battery system for our house. Recently, it has been commonplace to be without power and water for 10 to 12 hours a day. During October, the high-voltage lines that provide power to our city of over 2 million people were sabotaged, and our city was without power and water for a full month. After a month of cooking by headlight, sleeping without fans, and washing dishes with a bucket of water, we found ourselves in a routine we had gotten used to, but so much of our time was going to just living life that it was difficult to get anything else done. The addition of a battery backup for our home has already been a huge improvement for our family and our ministry!

To the many churches and friends who sent us something extra for Christmas, thank you so much! We took those gifts and were able to purchase some new furniture for our home! What a blessing! Thank you so much for loving us and being such an encouragement to us!

The year 2024 has been a year of growth and adjustment for our family. There have been many challenges and many victories over the past year. We have learned to live and function on our own in Congo. We have grown in our ability to communicate and connect with people. We have grown in our understanding of a new culture and a new way of life with different rules and expectations. We have grown closer as a family. As I think back over the past year, I cannot help but be excited to see how the Lord will stretch us and grow our ministry here in Congo in the year to come. Thank you for faithfully supporting us for another year. We are privileged to be your missionaries to the Republic of Congo.

Expecting Great Things, The Caviness Family

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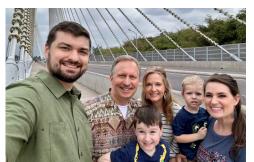


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The Kouyou river in Owando.



An encouraging visit from our BIMI directors



The container finally arrived!



Ready for the drive back to Brazzaville.



Central market of Owando.



This is a Toyota corolla with two fully grown cows strapped to the top. There is never a dull moment driving in Congo!



Loading the truck with all the blessings from the container



Jehovah's Witness Kingdom hall in Owando



Boys loved time with the Bohmans!



Our home battery backup!



Family Time at the ocean.

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