

Loko's New Update

- **Good News** – Yesterday, our Mission Director Bro Rick Groover, his wife Miss Tracy, Yvette, and I went and picked up a vehicle (BUICK) that drives and runs well in a town called Jemison, AL. God has always supplied vehicles since we have all been working together. At Global Impact we are more than just friends and co-workers. We are truly all Gospel partners working and sacrificing together for the Lord's great name.
- **Good news** – Yvette and I were in Chattanooga on February 4th-10th. I saw my retina specialist Dr Funderburk on the 5th. He has been seeing me since 1991 and we have such a strong bond like brothers. We spent more time talking about the new hospital as he promised that he would come and help whenever we opened. In fact, he was so excited that he sent forth to call a colleague on the first floor. After Dr Previl finished seeing a patient he rushed and joined us. Being a Haitian, he and I started talking in French and after a while it dawned on me that Dr Funderburk and his nurse were not in the conversation. I apologized and Dr Funderburk said jokingly, "I heard everything". Dr Previl promised that he would love to come to Togo and help as the Haitian's door is currently closed due to the violence and chaos in the country. He asked for our prayers for his native country. So, we have two eye doctors signed up for Togo. *Kokou, what about your eyes?* The good eye is doing well! Dr Funderburk said there was no abnormal vessel in the retina. The bad eye, he said that the pain was coming from the hemorrhage pushing against something, and I must continue the eye drops and come back and see him in a year if all still holds. On our Tennessee trip we also talked to a dentist in a Rotary club in Cleveland, and he too expressed a sincere desire to come to Togo but cannot come this July. So, we still need a dentist for July 2024.
- **Good News** – The trustees of Mission BIG went to see the National Director of Compassion. He rejoiced about Grace Hospital being opened and said that he did not know there was such a needy project in the VO region. He plans to call all the Project Facilitators in the region to meet at the hospital and discuss how Grace Hospital could benefit Compassion children and young people- 6000 in the VO region alone.

Another good thing is that before Pastor Samuel was saved and called into the ministry, he was a High School teacher, and the National Director was one of his former students. We are praying for some 3000-4000 children and young people for their annual checkups. And remember, they will highly be treated with love and Christ's HEART.

- **Humanly speaking, not so good news** – Upon opening Grace Hospital, the month of February was the most difficult financially. We fell into a **\$6000 hole** and in 12 days (March 31st) we will need an additional \$6000 for a total of \$12.000. In my despair, God engraved a message within my soul that *“Whenever HE creates a void or an empty form, He expects His children to fill it up the same way He worked and still does through His creation”*. Can we fill the hole our Heavenly Father created at Grace Hospital? We sure can! The doctors and nurses we hired are young and dynamic and ready to work. Dr Antonio, who is the head doctor/supervisor is holding the flock together so far, but for how long? Work for 30 days and not get paid...for how long? Does anyone know a Christian athlete or a coach? I will master all my courage and go talk to that brother or sister in Christ about the needs at Grace Hospital... Yvette and I will not ask a dime for ourselves. Folks, people, and especially witchdoctors in the VO region and all around in Togo are watching to see...they are never happy because for them a hospital like Grace means losing their fame and daily bread. **We finally killed the snake (hospital wide open) - only the head must go!**
Thank you!

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