

We've arrived! The Pivas left Venice and met up with Bernie in Paris on Thursday and flew to Douala, Cameroon. Douala is extremely hot - over 40 degrees with the humidity – so stepping off the plane, even at 11pm, caused us to instantly melt! It is good the rest house we are staying at has an outdoor pool. We all jumped into it at midnight to cool off. Today (Friday) we have been given a nice wind which is keeping us from boiling. Around noon the Rompfs arrived and we went for lunch with our host, Joy. We had the rest of the day to rest and get organized and then we left at 9am on Friday for the 9 hour trip to Bamenda where our missionaries Cal and Susie Hohn are stationed and where we had a team orientation and another night of rest. On Sunday we will make the final 5 hour, 150km, trip to Ndu over an extremely dusty and bumpy road. It is here that we will camp out for two weeks serving at the Baptist seminary. I will be teaching a course on preaching and the rest of the team will be working in the library, with the IT, painting blackboards, helping the school children and touring some of the medical facilities. Nancy will also assist me by using her skills as a speech therapist in teaching a class to my preaching students on taking care of your voice.

Attached are some pictures of our whole team together in Douala, some of the sights traveling, and our team ritualistically sacrificing a pineapple!