

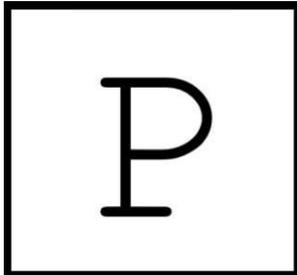
December 2018 - Finish Well!

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### **Finish Well!**

**As we approach the end of the year, I want to thank you for standing with us. It has been a year of challenge and change, but we firmly believe that we are exactly where God wants us! Your end-of-year gift to this ministry would go a long way toward building capacity (and covering costs) as I am sure more change is on the way (in terms of better serving the global church).**



**While I truly regretted missing my first Thanksgiving back with family in PA, I had the awesome opportunity to attend my first Facilitation Team meeting for the Global Church Planting Network. At this meeting, I was installed as the third Global Network Facilitator (the first is to my left and the second is to my right) for this group of leaders from 15 regions of the world. The focus of GCPN is to see biblically healthy churches form and multiply among every people and in every place on earth. This is a voluntary position, but one that gives me an opportunity to influence indigenous efforts around the world.**



**It was humbling to have these global leaders pray for and anoint me to lead GCPN. I am praying that the Lord would keep me faithful to the task.**



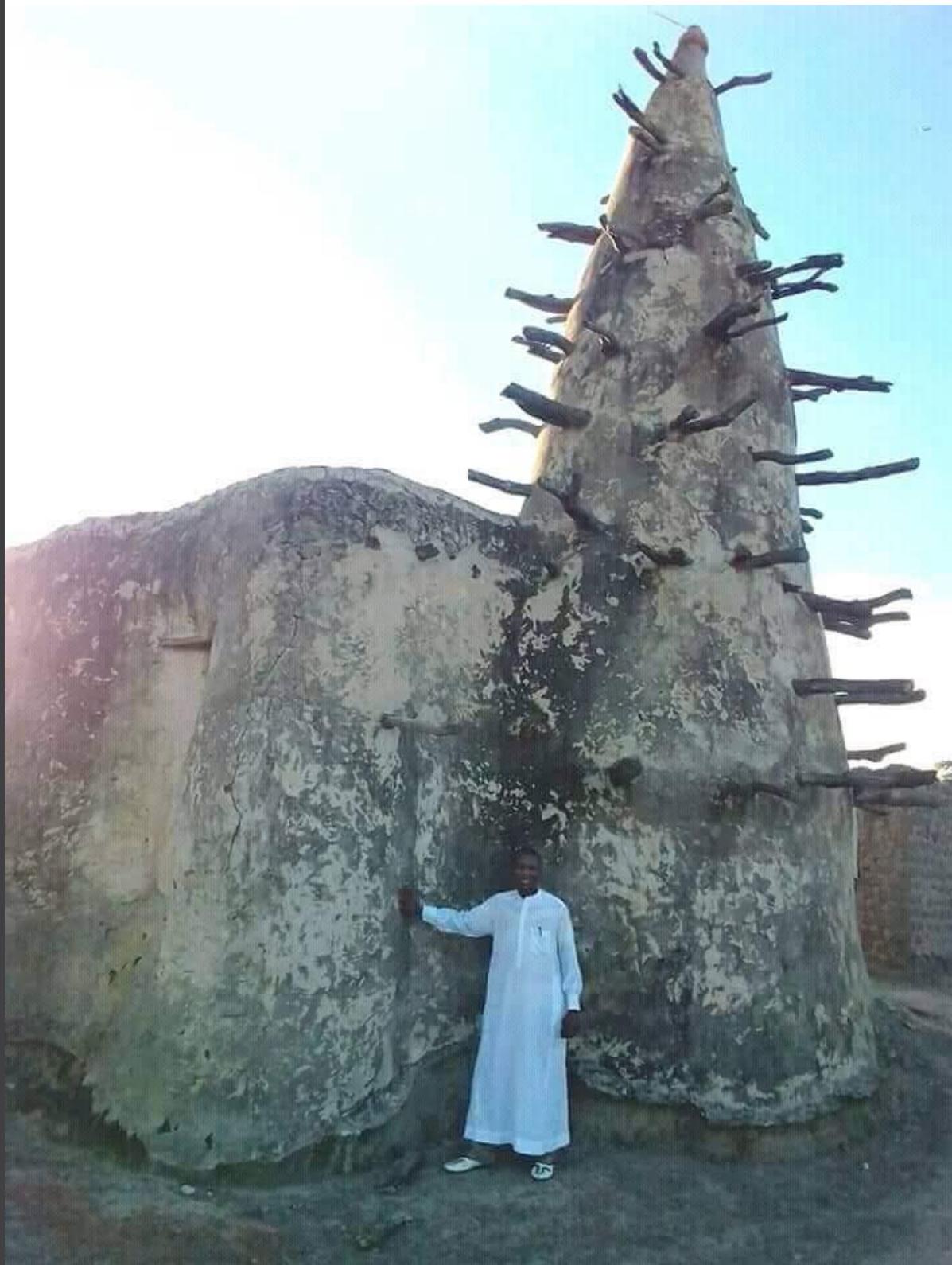
**The GCPN meetings were in London and I didn't want to miss an opportunity to shop at Harrods for the "girls" in my life (Cindy, Joy Lynn, Selah, Kalyn, Leena, and MAMA). Sorry guys, but I know where the investment reaps the greatest return!**



**Since Granddaddy travels so much, I wanted to give the girls something to "love on" when I am away. Each received a Paddington Bear to look after (and to look after them ;-)).**



**This is an odd picture, but earlier in the month I traveled to Beirut, Lebanon for a meeting with church leaders (and those working in support of them) from Sudan. Sharing the gospel and making disciples in Sudan is dangerous work and some of the men in this picture have been imprisoned and beaten for their efforts. Sudan is also one of the countries within the Unreached People Group Initiative I am leading and we are seeking to see churches form and multiply in 42 unreached people groups there. In this picture, we are praying for these men.**



**Finally, just a word about West Africa. In this picture, you see a new church planter standing in front of an ancient mosque. Islam has had a stronghold in the region, but**

**people are coming to faith! Through recent efforts, over 1,200 people have been exposed to the gospel and nearly 120 (one in ten) have professed faith in Christ! Please pray for men and women working in difficult places and for the training that is needed for the churches to grow.**

### **Schedule and Prayer Needs**

- **By the time you receive this, I will be in California for the annual Finishing the Task Conference at Saddleback Church. You may remember that I led this conference last year. It will be fun to see old friends and experience the event from a different perspective. Join me in praying for the ultimate goal of Unengaged people groups being adopted.**
- **At this conference, I will be meeting with multiple leaders about our initiatives in the Middle East, North Africa, West Africa, and Pakistan. Please pray for meaningful, strategic connections.**
- **I will also be meeting with other global network leaders (in my new role with GCPN) to plan a major consultation in 2020. Pray for wisdom in ongoing collaboration.**

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