

Global Resources

The Mission Society

Equipping Missionaries World Wide

Monthly Newsletter of Ed & Linda Baker - February, 2012

Since February is the Hallmark celebration of Valentine's Day, we are reminded of the many "love" verses in the Bible. According to our *The Guideposts Family Concordance*, love is "the unselfish, benevolent concern for another". We pray that you have given & received unselfish love this month.

During our 10 years of living out of the US, we lacked the opportunity to advance some of our technical & professional skills. February has given us the time to catch up on technology in both of our fields. We now know just how much we really don't know! It's been exciting to read all about new advances & techniques available.



We had a chance to visit with Water Missions, International; with a home office in Charleston, SC, http://www.watermissions.org/. They have facilities & partnerships in some of the countries where we currently have projects. We are excited that we may be able to partner with them on some upcoming opportunities. This is a photo of a new water dispenser the group is using in Kenya. It's an "ATM" water dispenser! A customer buys a "chip" with a certain amount of money embedded in the chip. Then, the customer puts his "chip" against a metal strip that will allow the dispenser to deliver water in any amount the customer wants. When the customer has used all the money on his "chip", the "chip" can be refilled with money from a vendor. The dispenser isn't really called an "ATM" water dispenser, but that's basically how it works.

We also had a short visit with some of our friends at First Presbyterian on Hilton Head Island, SC. They will be taking a team to Nicaragua

and plan to visit one of our former projects. This group visited us in October 2010, and helped begin the construction of the Divino Niño church near our home in Chinandega. We will not be able to travel with the team for this visit, but they plan to check out the church in Chinandega, and see how the locals continued & finished the construction of *their* church!

After leaving Hilton Head, SC, we stopped in Augusta, GA to visit with a church member of Trinity on the Hill UMC. This congregation has been supporters of Esaho & Beatrice Kipuke for several years. Esaho & Beatrice have a fantastic ministry in Togo, West Africa. We'll be heading to Togo on February 28th to work on a water project for their ministry.

We were in Togo in September, 2011, and we reported about our visit to the Kipuke Ministry center near Kara, Togo. This Center is a school for about 40 young women who are looking to improve their lives through education. The Center is a 4 year program, certified by the government of Togo. It offers classes in basic French (the native language), arithmetic, home economics, and basic sewing. The intent is for these young women to return to their villages with a basic understanding of how to help their family to earn an income.



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This is a typical young woman with her child that is attending the Kipuke Center School. We are excited to return to Togo and help with this family altering ministry.

We know this Newsletter is arriving a little early, but our travels will begin on Tuesday, 2/28/2012. We ask for traveling prayers as we head to Togo in West Africa and assist the Kipuke Ministries in

reaching those in Togo.

On the right is a photo of the dedicated teachers at Kipuke Ministries. In the center is Beatrice Kipuke, the

Director and inspirational leader of the school. Below is a photo of us when we were in Togo in September, 2011: Ed, Beatrice, Linda, & Esaho.





We are asking for prayers for our travels, our ministry, and for the beautiful people of Togo, West Africa.

To God be the Glory of ALL ministries WORLD WIDE!

In His Service, Ed & Linda Baker

