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DIFFICULTIES, REFLECTION, REST

Praises

- Being able to meet and fellowship with the NAB Cameroon missionaries in Belgium in early October as we reviewed our mission goals and objectives.
- For Florence and me to spend some vacation time in Canada with family and have a reprieve from the current tensions in Cameroon.
- For God providing new missionaries from Ethiopia and Papua New Guinea to help the Cameroon Baptist Convention in making disciples of Jesus Christ among a least-reached people group.

Prayer

- For peace and sustenance after so many ghost town days in English Cameroon disrupting travel, school, business, livelihoods, and ministry.
- For God's Church to stand united and depend on HIM as it adjusts its ministries to the changing times.

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?

PSALM 139:7 (NIV)



Another ghost town day in downtown Bamenda

As September started, life and ministry in Cameroon took a turn for the worse. Separatists in English Cameroon, as they have done now for several years, enforced weeks of

“ghost town,” disrupting the start of the school year. Under threat, businesses and schools had to stay closed from Mondays to Fridays. Hardly any vehicles dared to ply the roads. Only on Saturdays and Sundays were the free flow of traffic and the opening of businesses allowed.

Following this disruption, further “ghost town” days were called leading up to Cameroon’s presidential election on October 12. All this has significant negative effects on the economy, children’s education, and church ministry. The depressing situation has brought many in the church to plead to God for peace and sustenance.

Against this backdrop, God has brought new foreign missionaries to help the Cameroon Baptist Convention minister among a least-reached people group. They have come from Ethiopia (two families) and from Papua New Guinea (a single lady). In a period when the number of



foreign missionaries has been on a steady decline, this is quite remarkable. Pray for their adjustment to the new culture they are immersed in.



Walter & Dr. Rick Bardin enjoy a stroll in Bruges, Belgium, during the NAB Cameroon missionary retreat

In early October, all the NAB Cameroon missionaries were privileged to travel to Bruges, Belgium, for a retreat. We discussed and prayed for our ministries. Under the leadership of NAB Cameroon Field Director Maureen Moody, we reviewed our mission goals and objectives. It was also an opportunity to fellowship in person with one another. Though we work together in Cameroon, distance, travel restrictions, and bad roads

keep us from seeing each other very much.

After that, Florence and I were thankful to take our annual vacation time and travel to Canada to see family and friends. We appreciated the time of rest and the beautiful autumn colours on the trees in Southern Ontario.

We do not know how ministry will go in the days ahead in Cameroon. But we know our God holds these days. And in this we rejoice. We also rejoice in our senders – churches and individuals whose prayer and support are precious. Thank you.

Walter (for Florence, too),



Walter & Florence en route to their vacation in Canada

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