



NOVEMBER 2025

A MONTH OF THANKS

Praises

- We are thankful that elections are over.
- We are thankful for safe travel to and from our NAB retreat in Belgium. (The roads had been closed, but they opened just in time!)
- We are thankful for relative peace in our area, and schools are open.
- The church plant in Isaibal is growing and discipleship going on with new Christians.
- Rick was able to get a material that can convert 95% alcohol to 100%. This kept the supply from running out, so tissue processing was uninterrupted. Subsequently, our usual supplier was able to come through with several bottles, so now we have a back-up for times when the supplier cannot provide.

Prayer

- Pray that reactions to the election results will not be violent.
- Keep praying for patients who need to be able to get to our hospital safely and without being extorted money on the way.
- Keep praying for the end of the war (do not grow weary in doing good).
- Pray for Rose, Agnes, and Peter, some very ill patients whose prognoses aren't good unless God intervenes with a miracle. Most importantly, pray for their secure position in Jesus. We have had opportunities to share the gospel with them and their caregivers, so please pray for all.

We thank you, O God! We give thanks because you are near. People everywhere tell of your wonderful deeds.

PSALM 75:1 (NLT)



One of Mbingo 1 Church Thanksgiving services.

Greetings from Mbingo!

October and November are the months when Thanksgiving Offerings are given in our church. The focus is on First Fruits Offerings since we live in a community of primarily farmers. It's always a joyful time to dance down the aisle and bring offerings of crops, animals, and the boring type – cash. 😊

I couldn't resist the picture of the chicken enjoying the spotlight at the service, probably wondering what we were all doing there, or more importantly, what she was



doing there! Each Sunday, a different neighborhood (quarter) takes turns in leading the giving. We have about eight Sundays of Thanksgiving Offerings.



Our NAB group at retreat.

We were blessed to have to opportunity to attend our NAB retreat for the missionaries serving in Cameroon this year in Belgium. The first week in October was in Brugges, and the second week was in Brussels. We had meetings reviewing goals, evaluating previous goals, and setting new goals. It was a refreshing and encouraging time to come together and share what God had been doing and the things He is leading us in for the future. It's so easy to get tunnel vision if one only looks at life from their own position. We serve a very big God, and He is mightily at work all over Cameroon and, of course, the world! Lord, give us Your vision for Your world and what our part is!



Young Womens Group at Mbingo 1 Church after receiving their gifts.

One of our 2025 goals for our women's group at church was to visit the young women's group and encourage them as the older women. We were able to give them gifts that were provided to us by the Treasured and Protected women's group in the USA.

The hardest part of working in the health profession is accepting the fact that the medical team has done all they can do and the patient isn't responding to treatment. That is when we have to trust God for His outcome. We treat, God heals. His healing comes in different ways. It's not always the healing we prayed for, but His ways are higher than ours. The most important thing we can do is share the hope there is in knowing Jesus as Savior, the Giver of Eternal Life.

Chemotherapy is often more expensive than people can afford here. There is no insurance coverage. By Western standards, it's not very expensive, but it is still challenging here for most. If you would like to give toward subsidizing our patients' chemotherapy treatments, please click on this link and you can give online: nabconference.org/give/special-projects.



One of the patients and caregivers needing prayers (with permission).

Have a blessed Thanksgiving and Christ-centered Christmas!

In His Matchless Love,

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