



IVORY COAST

DEAR FRIENDS & FAMILY,

We prayed for favor, for God to move among the people of Koffi Kro, a village that has never allowed anyone to tell about Christ or had a medical team bring care. When our group arrived for the first medical day, we walked down the dirt path to the Chief's house where he was sitting out front, and greeted each other. He seemed to be somewhat nervous about the medical clinic we were holding nearby, possibly wondering if he was right to let us come. Not long after we began seeing patients, however, the Chief himself came to be seen for medical care. That day he watched as we cared for his villagers, how we treated the sick and washed their wounds, and how we spoke of the hope that Jesus gives.

The Ivorian church we partnered with has such zeal and enthusiasm to reach these villagers for Christ. In the last few weeks as they have done follow-up, over 19 more people have been saved in Koffi Kro. One gentleman, who was looking for the team when they arrived, said he had a dream the previous night that someone would come with 'the Word' the next day. After hearing the Gospel, he immediately trusted the Lord as his Savior. In over a decade of working in Ivory Coast, my missionary friend Kristine reports they have never seen such openness and hunger to know God! Villagers are leaving work a couple of hours early to sit and hear the Gospel, and one lady said 'We have been looking for this for a long time.' The chief is now very warm towards the outreach team and has expressed his gratitude, asking for a second medical clinic to be done in his village.



Please pray for wisdom for the outreach team as they do not know the village leadership well, and to know how to proceed in this new village, that the village will be united in a conviction that the Bible is the truth, and that the Lord will clearly call the right Ivorian to lead the ministry there. Also, I can't imagine that there won't be some opposition soon. Pray that the Lord will protect them and again give wisdom.

- JACOB & LAURA BACON

