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### Reflections (1Kings 9-10)

"Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this, your great people?"

This is the real heart test. This request shows that Solomon's passion and motive is about the welfare of God's people; how his rule will bring them good and prosperity. Our prayers portray what matters to us. Our Heavenly Father knows what we need (Matt 6: 31-32). When the welfare of God's people drives our praying his will is done and righteousness grows in the land. This is the true ambition of prayer.

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## Divine pleasure

'It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this', (vs. 10). As God was pleased, he expresses his pleasure to Solomon by giving him what he requested along with things he had not requested (11 - 14).

Nothing is as rewarding in life as attaining the pleasure of God. I pray that we would seek to have prayers that please God in both our private and public lives.

## **Family Updates**

#### Ezechi

Dear friends, sorry I have not been able to give you an update on our news over the past two months. This time has been very challenging for us, me in particular. My health has been poor. I've been more down than up. We have been to the hospital more than twice within this period. I am well now, by God's mercy.

College has resumed adding to the pressure. Since I am the only resident teacher, my workload has increased. I have been doing more teaching at the start of this term than I did this time last year.

Chika, our course administrator has been very hard working sorting most of the practical things; which is a big relief for me.

#### **Sierra Leone Conference**

I could not make it to the Conference, which was very disappointing. By the time I was ready to book, there were no flights from Nigeria to Freetown as there is only one airline that deals with this. Thanks for praying and giving. I plan to book my flight earlier as soon as the date for 2013 is confirmed in order not to disappoint them again.

#### **Florence**

Florence has had her share of the ill-health but she is well now. She is leading a church group every week and is busy planning for meetings, for an event coming up early next month. Pray for the success of the event. We are still trusting God for a job for her. Please pray along with us.

## Delight

Delight turned two years on 3 August. We had a birthday party for her with her Sunday school mates and kids in the neighbourhood. It was a fun time to share God's grace with kids. Now in Nursery One class, she loves her new rhymes. She now recognises shapes like squares, rectangles, triangles and circles. We wish her well and pray that she grows to know and serve the Lord. Also, we pray that she would grow in wisdom and intelligence.

#### **Ministry Updates**

## Abuja Bible College (ABC) News

We are thankful to God that college resumes this year on the October 2nd with eight students. So far they have exhibited great excitement and hunger for faithful teaching of God's Word. Please pray for them that they remain focused and committed to faithful Bible preaching.

We have had many enquiries which we see as good development for us. We hope we have more students next year, God willing.

Chika Okefiena, our Administrator gave birth to a cute baby boy, Ifeanyi, on the wee hours of Monday 22nd October 2012. Both Mom and baby are doing well. Our huge congratulations to her!

#### Abuja Bible College (ABC) Property

The property which is situated in a prime location with space for further development has been offered to us by the landlord for sale. Following many discussions with him we have agreed on a price which is a huge development. We pray that God will provide the funds for this.

I want thank you all for praying for us and for giving to us.

## **PRAYER POINTS**

## Praise God...

- For the crop of students he has brought to us this session
- For Delight, that she would continue to grow well and to love the Lord
- For his gracious provision of friends and resources
- For healing and renewal of strength for Ezechi

#### Please Pray...

- For sustained good health and for energy for Ezechi as he teaches for the rest of the sessions
- That God will sustain the enthusiasm of students to study well
- That God would provide a job for Florence
- That all the teachers would be coming out to teach their modules without disappointing
- For increased partnership as we trust God to acquire the college facility