Bridging the Gap with Delight, Florence and Ezechi Iwuagwu – January, 2014

Abuja Bible College

Equipping and Encouraging Christian believers for faithful bible teaching

Take it to God in prayer!

Reflections

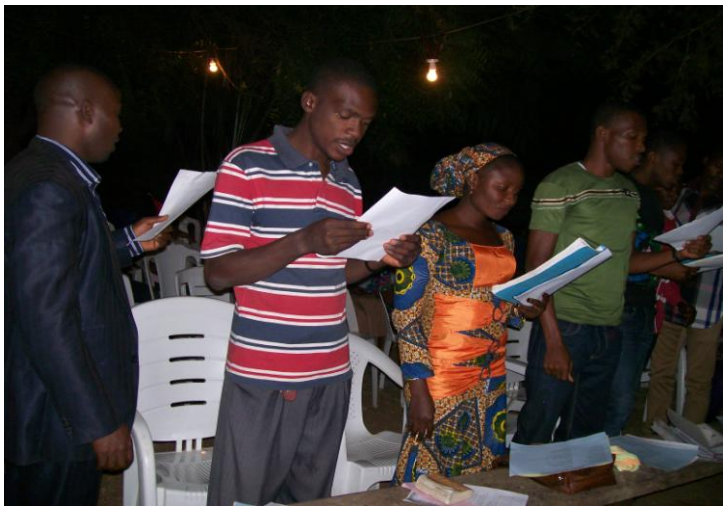
Paul gives us the panacea for worrying in Phil 4vs6. As a man well accustomed to challenges, oppositions and work overload in his daunting task as missionary to the Gentiles, he shares his secret of emotional sanity, peace and spiritual virility.

Retreating to prayer, supplication and thanksgiving are always the first to be compromised in those times of frenzy to beat deadlines, meet urgent family and ministry needs. Then we fail to reach the mark. Frustrated and unsure of the next move we worry. Wise counsel from the Apostle is this: Take it to God in prayer! 2014 and Happy New Year!

Family News

Ezechi

College resumed for this session on 23rd Sept, 2013 and the first term has run very well. The students are very keen to learn. Having little or no exposure to good bible preaching, the discoveries as they dig into the bible texts with the principles they have learnt continue to excite them. Their progress has been a huge source of encouragement. It has a lot of work for me. God has been my strength.



People sing at the carol service

Evang. Godwill Nkeng (a student from Cameroon) as he preached

On the 20th of December, the Abuja Bible College hosted some members of the college community for Christmas carols. It was a rich time of singing and retelling the Christmas story as we read the bible lessons. We had three sessions of devotional exhortation.

Florence

She is thankfully well and has been busy taking care of Delight (who really a handful at three) freeing me to concentrate on my prep and teaching. I have also had quite good opportunities to preach in our church and a few other places.

Delight

She seem quite excited about being three that she would quickly announce to anybody that she is three, also showing it with three fingers raised. She has continued to be a lovely girl and also growing in wit. She did very well in her term

exams and was well commended by her teachers. She has continued to enjoy her bible reading so much that she almost pesters us, even at busy and odd times to read for her.

We pray that she continues to grow to know and serve the LORD. Also, we pray that she would grow in wisdom and intelligence.

Abuja Bible College (ABC) News

Students' News

The Students are doing well and taking their studies well. We are encouraged as we see real progress in their bible handling skills. After two nights of hard work, preaching and discovering that he missed the point of the passage during feedback session, one of the students who had pastored a church for a while confessed, " *I didn't know that preaching was a hard work; I could always open a passage of the bible and preach for long, even unprepared".*

I can't agree more; faithful bible preaching has always been hard work in every generation.

Chika poses for picture with her Son, Daniel Ifeanyi Jr. on his 1st birthday

Administrative Matters

Chika Okefiena, the Administrator is doing very well, and her son has started KG (play class) in a local school within walking distance of the college. *The making of baby number two is well on the way; we have to wait for long months for the result.* She is also running the College's Ministry Training Course (MTC) this year. Pray for her as she juggles all of these.

Evangelical Ministry Convention (EMC)

The Board of Trustees of the Abuja Bible College in their 5th meeting approved the inauguration and planning of an EMA-styled conference in Nigeria tagged, **Evangelical Ministry Conference (EMC).** Plans have been on since then. The Conference will be held **12th – 14th February 2014** at the **Abuja Bible College compound, Kwali, Abuja**. We are collaborating with Langham Preaching Partnership, Nigeria.

Needs

1. College Property Purchase: - We have serious need to purchase the property as the Landlord has graciously extended the deadline for purchase to June 2014. So far, a total of $46, 932.52USD (£30, 000) has been raised which is a far cry from the expected $144, 000 USD. Please pray, give and connect us to groups and individuals who may be able to give to help us secure the property and strengthen the future of training faithful bible teachers.

Thank you for praying and for giving to us.

Items for praise and prayer:-

- Praise God for good health and strength for Florence, Delight, myself and the ABC crew
- Praise God for His gracious provision of friends and resources
- Praise God for the good crop of current students at the college

- Pray God's blessings upon the Evangelical Ministry Conference (EMC), for good attendance and atmosphere
- Pray for all the guest ministers in their preparations and for journey mercies as they come
- Pray for God's blessings on all efforts to raise fund for the purchase of the College property
- Pray that Delight would continue to grow well and to love the LORD
- Pray that God would provide a job for Florence
- Pray for God's healing for me and strength as I go on teaching

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