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Partnering with Nationals to Advance the Gospel

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20 years of marriage, 20 years of ministry!

Friends,

Come, let me tell you a bit what the Lord has done for us! Like the Samaritan woman at the well who met with Jesus, and He told her all about her, after she believed she went back to the village and called people she wouldn't want to see before, to come and see the man who told her all about herself. John 4:29

I want to say, come, let me tell you all this man of Jesus has done for us for 20 good years!



My husband and I want to bless the name of our Lord and Savior who had brought us this far. And it has only been by his grace.

Our story is the story of the living, powerful, faithful, good and awesome God. We can't say anything that is outside of him who had put us together.

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On August 26, 2000, the day we married, we heard these words: "missionary wedding," and "in what do you love me?" It was a great and happy day. The next day at the church another story arose just before the end of the worship service. A child was lost. It was the young brother of Macklann's who came from the village for the wedding. He became lost and we searched that whole day without finding him. The wedding celebration became sorrow. It was the following day that Macklann found him by the grace of the Lord. While searching for his brother, Macklann heard a voice telling him, "*seek the lost children on the earth of the living.*"

That is how the vision came to us leading into ministry with children. We did not really know the meaning of that until God revealed it year after year. And He continues to lead us.

Twenty years walking together with the Lord in love and forgiveness, pain and joy. He gave us a family, true family of people who fear, obey the Lord and do what is just and good. He gave us wonderful girls and boy and many more through our ministry. He took us and made us sit with the powerful and great people. He gave us opportunities to visit many places in the world.

Twenty years of good things. Milk and honey we received from him. He has blessed us with many things none of us can count.

When getting married, I had nothing, and my husband had nothing but his faith in God and his calling. One thing that made him really happy in all the wedding gifts we received was the Thompson Chain Reference Bible that came with a concordance. While I was all happy about the material things, I asked him why is that your favorite? He told me "you have all these things because of this," showing me the Bible he was holding. Today I understand better. ***If you lose everything but you still have God, you have lost nothing.***

We've been through fire, we've been through waters, but in all we come through them all refined by his love, blood and the Holy Spirit.

Today when sitting with our children in our house, that is the story we tell them. From Togo to USA and back to Togo, there is no single day we miss the Lord walking, talking, counselling, healing and delivering both us and our household.

Twenty years, too much to remember!

From being a lay pastor, to a student, to an ordained pastor, to missionary, we have seen the goodness and faithfulness of our God and Father. By the way, I

was against the idea of my husband being a pastor, I wasn't ready for that. *But God knew him before I did.*

Ministry: Amana

Ten years of Amana Conference in Lome and three other cities in Togo. Thanks to you all who believed in our calling and ministry. Some of you have left your families, left your comfort to come support, counsel, help and provide for the ministry. Thank you!

Ministry: Christian School

Ten years of education, true christian education. More than 350 families and children have been served at New Beginnings Christian School. Single parents, divorced parents, separated parents, orphans and widows. On our property we also became architects, creating space and redesigning it again - all on the same land. We care for the little kids, pre kindergarten, primary and secondary grades.

People ask, how do you have enough space here? ***God knows how He does it every year!***

Sometimes we work with kids having seizures, or going through crises while in our hands. The Lord rescues us all. They come back to life. We have been tested and tried.

Some parents come to register, others come and leave because we do not have this or that. But there is something they recognise: there is something special in that school, the Holy Spirit is there and we say, "yes, there is freedom and hope because the Holy Spirit is with us.

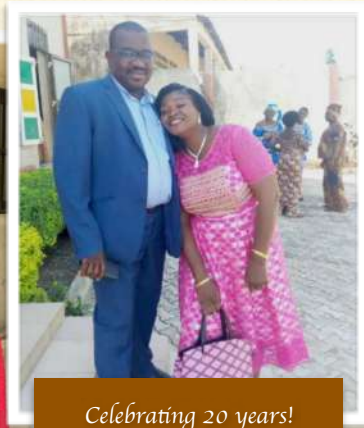
Three promotion ceremonies have graduated children from primary to secondary grades. ***We can't say it all, what the Lord has done through us during 20 years on just three pages of a newsletter!***



2010 The girls and I joined Macklann in Lome



Our family Easter 2020



Celebrating 20 years!



36 widows receive food during the pandemic thanks to your support

Thank you for your support, encouragement, love and care. We still need you to continue this wonderful journey with us of marriage and ministry. Please pray for us.

Please praise the Lord for:

- The love my husband has for me and the family, for his fatherhood, for his ministry and his concern in the affairs of our country.
- Praise him for all the kids and families we minister to specially in this time of Covid 19 .
- we praise Him for our partners, donors, brothers and families who support us.
- Praise him for all he has done for us.

Please pray to the Lord with us for:

- wisdom as we grow together
- for our girls,
- for leadership in our ministry
- for protection in this uncertain world

We still need help to continue the good work:

- The school needs a playground: swing, slide, etc. *Can you believe a school without a playground for 10 years? Only God's grace!*
- upgrades to classrooms and equipment
- books and science kits
- Teacher training in quality education
- support an orphan student schooling
- farming (a well for water), farming equipment.

The one who started this good work in you will accomplish all in you for His glory. Merci, thank you, many blessings to you all.

We love you all,

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