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Dear Special Friends,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Good evening from **Walewale**, in northern **Ghana**, while I'm here for several days this week. Whenever I'm here, I always remember the years we lived here in this same town, our first place to live in **Africa** in 1967, The town was much smaller then, and didn't have electricity, or a lot of other things. But, we came with all our hearts, with one way tickets!

I'm in so many different places to minister, till the end of January, when I'll go back to **Nigeria**, where I've lived for many years. I'll prepare to go to **East Africa** for two months, to minister in four different countries, from the middle of **February** till the first part of **May**.

Two days ago, I was far out in the **North**, dedicating another new church in "**Overseas No 2**" at **Kubori**. It took nearly four hours to get there, and four hours back, over bad dirt roads most of the way.

But, we were happy to be there! A whole big truck full of people from several churches, came a long way, bringing loudspeakers, microphones, musical instruments, etc., and even a group of **Royal Rangers**, plus their brass band!

The **Royal Rangers** is a great organization for boys and girls in <u>Assemblies of God</u> churches all over the world. We started the first one in **Africa**, right here in **Walewale**, **Ghana**, in **1976**, and there are now thousands of **Royal Rangers** in **Ghana**!

One of the chiefs in the service, whom I met as a small boy in a village many years ago, is now a faithful member of one of the churches!

My regular driver, whenever I'm in **Ghana**, is back on the job, driving my vehicle I keep in **Ghana** everywhere again this time! **God** has healed his badly broken left leg, when the pickup truck he was driving in the month of **May** last year, was hit by a big truck that went out of control, crashing into the driver's side, and totally wrecking it! He's a living miracle, for sure!

We've helped another church to get ready to put on a roof on their building at **Gbedama**, in the **Builsa District** of the **North**, in **Upper East Region**. They've already gotten all the roofing materials several days ago, and they're so excited! It's **Church No. 87**, praise God!

Last Saturday, we had another big dedication of a new church at **Zabzoaga**, in another part of **Upper East Region**. They even gave me a huge sheep, as they were so very grateful for help to build their church. Thanks to every person who gives to the ministry, in every place I go!

We have two more finished, and will have a big dedication at **Savelugu** on Jan. 11, at **Bincheratanga** on Jan. 18. I've gotten pictures of the village church we helped build at **Namdu**, when they dedicated it in **December**. We're going to help put a roof on another one at **Wulensi** (<u>Church No. 88</u>).

In **December**, I finished two months of ministry in southern **Africa**, and also went to **Israel** and **Jorda**n in the middle of **November**. It was a big blessing to be in the **Holy Land**, and see so many places mentioned in the **Bible** with my own eyes! An **American** friend paid my way to join a group of 44 people.

While I was at home in **Nigeria** for a few days, I ministered in the church in **Lagos**, where a young man stole my iphone exactly two years ago. He had been seen on the security camera, and they traced him, to order him to return the phone back to the church! He did, and then came to the church later, giving his life to **Jesus!** He finished the new convert's course, and he's there now, with his parents! I met him, and prayed for him after the service. **God** "makes all things work together for good" (**Romans 8:28**).

Yes, this month of **January** begins with the letter "**J**," but the word **JOY** also begins with "**J**" too. May this month of **January** be filled with **JOY**, and this whole **New Year** of **2020** be blessed for you!

Love, Doris Hokett