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Dear Special Friends,

Hello this evening, from Lagos, Nigeria, while I'm home for a few days. I finished five and a half weeks of ministry in Ghana, and arrived back here a few days ago. We dedicated two more of the churches we've helped to build in northern Ghana while I was there, praise God!

Thanks for your prayers and financial support, to make it all possible. Together, we can do more in this New Year of 2017. God was so faithful during 2016, and He's ready to do more this year.

On January 7, I had the second surgery on my right wrist, while in Tamale. A different doctor, trained by the doctor who did the first surgery a year ago, successfully removed the steel plate and four screws that were attached to the bone, after my wrist fracture. Thanks for your prayers, as I do physical therapy to get over the stiffness in my wrist and fingers.

There was some unexpected drama, after I was awake, and sitting up in bed in their small VIP room. The young doctor removed the needle in my left hand, as the medicine drip was finished, but, somehow, the piece of tape on my hand wasn't tight enough, and soon after, blood started gushing out all over my hand and the bed!

Thank God, both doctors were there, and one quickly used pressure to stop the blood flow, while the other ran to get cotton and gauze to clean the mess! I was really glad they were with me!

While in northern Ghana, where we lived so many years ago, a man came to see me, who had played with our son, when both of them were little boys. He told me that he could never forget the Bible stories I told in the church, and put pictures on the flannel board! He learned about Jesus, and works today for an international Christian organization.

Another man came, and reminded me about how he gave his life to Jesus in his village, when we ministered there in 1968. He's a deacon in the church in another place now, where I preached in January!

A lady in Accra, the capital of Ghana, told my friend that I had prayed for her to have a child, and she now has twins! Our God is still the miracle working God.

We dedicated the church at **Nagbere** (No.59) in Upper East Region, on January 14. It was a great day! People came from everywhere to fill the new church, and to praise God. There was lots of singing and

dancing, speeches and presentations. They gave me a very big sheep, which we killed later in another place, then shared the meat with many pastors' families.

A big chief was in the service, and afterwards, he came to me, telling about how he was a camper every year in the big Youth Camps we organized in the 1970's and 1980's all over Ghana. He's a fine Christian in one of the churches, and he introduced me to other Christian chiefs under him, over other villages and towns. I was so thrilled, that we could have a part in his life, so many years ago!

A second church was dedicated a week later on January 21, at **Guabiliga** (No. 58), in Northern Region. It was another wonderful day, and I wish you could have been there with me! We visited other places, where churches are being built, at **Buru Navio** (No. 63), **Gbeduri** (No. 64), and at **Diari** (No. 66), the latest one. All of them are getting ready to put a roof on their buildings this month. The dedication at **Nasia** (No. 60) is now set for Saturday, August 5, 2017.

Please pray for me, as I travel to India next week, to be there till the middle of March, then on to East Africa. It's my sixteenth time to go to India, which is such a great and vast country.

Remember, the letter "**F**" is for "**February**," but "**F**" is also for the words "**Fantastic**" and "**Favour**," too. I'm praying for **YOU**, that you'll see **Fantastic Favour** on your life, as God blesses you in **February**, and makes you a blessing to others, too.

Psalm 5:12 says, in the Amplified Version of the Bible, "For you, Lord, will bless the (uncompromisingly) righteous (him who is upright, and in right standing with You); as a shield You will surround him with goodwill (pleasure and favour)."

Love, Doris Hokett