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Dear Special Friends,

Hello on Thursday afternoon, January 5, 2017, while I'm in Kumasi, Ghana. It's the second largest city in Ghana, and I leave tomorrow morning for the North, where we lived for many years, before moving to Nigeria in 1988, and living in Lagos since then. It's a privilege to be a missionary since 1966 in Africa!

In December, I was ministering in Botswana and South Africa, then back in Nigeria for a few days. Please be praying for me in thirteen different countries in 2017.

Yesterday, I spent an hour with a family here in Ghana, as they came to meet me in a town along the way from Accra, capital of Ghana, to Kumasi.

They give very faithfully every month for a long time, supporting the ministry by making deposits in my Ghana bank account. They're both teachers, and their four children are excelling in High School and in the University. God has really blessed their work, and also their small soap-making business, so they've been increasing their monthly amount regularly.

We first met them many years ago, when we were ministering in a large church in Lusaka, Zambia. They were teaching in a High School there, and began to give their offerings to help support the ministry.

When they returned to Ghana, they continued to be partners in the ministry. Praise God for their faithfulness to be part of the ministry, praying and giving.

You can also be a partner, too! If you're not already giving, please write to me, and I'll be happy to give you details about how to give, wherever you are. I thank God for every person that He's placed in my life, to help me in the ministry!

Tomorrow, I'll go on to Tamale in the North, where I had a bad fall almost a year ago, and had surgery to put a small piece of steel and screws in the bone of my right wrist, when I had a fracture. I'm planning a second surgery there, on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 8, to take out the things. Please pray for me, that all goes very well, and I have a quick recovery, in Jesus' name.

We're dedicating two more of the churches we've helped build in northern Ghana. That will be on Saturday, Jan. 14, at Nagbere (Church No. 59), and on Saturday, Jan. 21, at Guabiliga (Church No. 58). We've had to postpone the dedication at Pwalugu, as the pastor had a terrible motorbike accident in the last part of October. Please pray for total recovery and restoration of a broken arm and a broken leg.

I'll also see the work going on at Paga Navio (No.63) and Gbeduri (No. 64), as well the churches at Nasia (No. 60) and Gambaga (No. 61), which will be dedicated in August. I'll see other churches we're praying about helping in the future in northern Ghana. There are so many that need a helping hand!

Be praying for me, back in Nigeria for a few days in February, and ministering in the Lagos area. I leave for India in the middle of February, then after India, I'm going to Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, and Ethiopia, all in East Africa.

HAPPY NEW YEAR! God has brought us to another year, and I believe that 2017 will be full of blessings for you. Do your best to walk very close to Jesus, every moment of every day.

"J" is for **JANUARY**, but the letter **"J"** is also for **JOY!** May you have **JOY** in **JANUARY!** Remember, "the joy of the Lord is your strength" (Nehemiah 8:10), and "in thy presence there is fulness of joy (Psalm 16:11). "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning" (Psalm 30:5).

Love, Doris Hokett