

Reaching the Country of NIGERIA



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Teaching to Read

June was a month about teaching and learning!

This is Alaba. He is a 15 years old boy that left his family two years ago, traveling south across a few states to the city of Lagos, looking for work and better opportunities. He lives in our neighboring compound and works from sun-up to sun-down cleaning, hand-washing clothes and as a guard, in exchange for food and a place to live. He is not allowed to go out and he even hesitates to talk to us because of his boss.

One evening, we had noticed letter sounds coming from his guard shack. We discovered that he is trying to teach himself the alphabet and wants to learn to read. Sis. Magallanes is a seasoned Homeschool teacher and gave him an Alphabet Chart to encourage him. She was excited to teach him new letters and sounds he had not yet learned. Alaba now has an Alphabet Chart and colored chalk to continue practicing what he has been taught.



Learning to read will be a key that will open many opportunities for him in the future. We are blessed to be a part of his learning process!

Teaching About Ethics

This month, MTC Bible School offered a Ministerial Ethics Class for the Bachelor Program, and there was a great response! We were happy to participate and enjoyed teaching lessons on “The Minister and Accountability” and “The Minister’s Relationships - Morally,” via YouTube.

Throughout this course, we had thought-provoking class discussions. Every student had the opportunity to participate and discuss how we would personally apply Ethical Principles.

We also learned about the attendance and grading system used at MTC. It was a wonderful learning experience for all of us!



(Kristen, Jemima, David, Isaiab & Covenant, pictured above)

Learning & Play

Covenant, Jemima, and David are from the Missionaries' local church. We welcomed them into our home for a play date and lunch! While visiting, Kristen taught them how to play a few board games and David discovered a new instrument called a Ukulele.

When their parents came to pick them up, we learned about their local dishes and tried some homemade "pap," a breakfast beverage made from maize. Pap is usually the first food introduced to babies in Nigeria.

Learning to Wait

Many fruit stands have opened now that we are on Phase 2 of lockdown. Millions of people are once again filling the streets of Lagos, Nigeria. The familiar sounds of people shouting, laughing, and "hooting" (honking) cars embrace the city.

Any outing to the supermarket or to the Missionaries' home, must be planned around traffic.

One rainy Sunday, what was supposed to be a 15 minute drive, turned into a 2 hour wait.

In spite of the circumstances, we sang, took pictures, and waited patiently. Some Lagosians stood outside their vehicles and continued their conversation, others purchased food from vendors, while others began "trekking" (walking) to their destination. In the end, we trekked some, and then continued our ride to have Sunday Fellowship with our Missionary Family.



Immigration

On behalf of our family, we would like to give a heart-felt, “**Thank You,**” to everyone who responded to our Urgent Letter. We could not have made it through this crisis without you! Because of your help in prayers and financial support, we were able to renew our visas for six months. We are “legal” in Nigeria, once again! We pray that God blesses every one of you, your families, and churches.

*The Lord **ble**ss thee, and **keep** thee.*

*The Lord make his face **sh**ine upon thee,*

*and be **gr**acious unto thee:*

*The Lord lift up **h**is countenance*

*upon thee, and give thee **pe**ace.*

Numbers 6:24-26



We have continued to labor alongside the Missionaries in Preaching, Teaching, Music and Song (Via Facebook and YouTube). We are grateful for The Phelps’ mentorship!

Everyday brings a new lesson to be learned and a new page to be written in our life story. We are thankful to be on this journey, together with you!

Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

Together, we are making a difference!

For His Kingdom,

The Magallanes Family

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