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"TO LEARN"

July was our second month in Benin and the theme of it seemed to be "learning". Our resident missionaries, Bro. Mike and Sis. Danan Benson, were in America for 2.5 weeks attending Area Coordinator meetings. During that time, we had to navigate life here on our own.

From attending services and preaching to everyday tasks like grocery shopping and running errands, each moment stretched us in new ways. These challenges were valuable opportunities for personal and spiritual growth. We are thankful for every new experience we had as well as the amazing Brothers and Sisters in Christ who helped us through them. They were gracious and helpful so many times!

The largest step we've taken recently is beginning French language studies. Fluency in the language is essential for any field. Yet, while essential, it is not easy! The language barrier is our biggest challenge. However, we know that God will bless our efforts. We hope that soon we will be able to more easily connect to the Beninois and their culture.



Micah & Renee Benson, July Newsletter, Benin



<u>Top Left:</u> While we were alone in the country, Brother Fabrise drove us around in his tricycle. We are so thanful for the help he gave us.

Bottom Left: Micah with Pastor Ricardo (white shirt) and Brother Maurice (pink shirt). Micah preached at Pastor Ricardos church and Brother Maurice translated the sermon.

<u>Bottom Right:</u> Renee in a worship line with the women during a service at Pastor Thedores church