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## We can do better...

Prayer Request: Pray God for wisdom in our approach to efficient and effective village Outreach ministry.



A patient receiving free medical checkup at Odogbolu Outreach (Sept 2025).

The buzz words for this month's newsletter are "efficiency" and "effectiveness" in ministry. We have been doing well in outreach to remote towns and villages, but we can do better...and we want to do better.

In our August newsletter, I mentioned how we were confronted with some issues that require our urgent attention. That included reports of sextual abuse and sextually transmitted diseases (involving both male and female victims). We were faced with two options: continue with our "touch & go" medical outreach, or stop and find a quality solution to the medical care that the people really need. We decided to try the second option.

So far, when we do "medical" outreach in remote towns and villages, what we actually provide are free medical checks and medicine for minor ailments along with health education. These are significant for people who don't normally have easy access to clinics

or hospitals. However, we had no system in place to follow up on cases that require further medical attention. Now that young people are opening up and confiding in our ministry teams about their private medical conditions, God is telling us to not ignore their pleas for help. So, how do we prepare ourselves for this new phase that God is leading us? Jesus taught us that God knows what we need before we ask Him (Matthew 6: 8). Also in Matthew 6: 34, Jesus said don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself – each day has enough trouble of its own.

God was already ahead of us, preparing people who can help us provide more effective medical ministry that will serve the needs of the people in our outreach ministry. During our visit to Nigeria in March, we had the opportunity to meet again our old friends and mentors, Dr. Dele Akilo and Dr. Idowu Obakin. These two men of God were our seniors and in medical school while Bose was in the School of Nursing and I was an undergraduate (Social Sciences) at the University of Ibadan in the early 1970s. Every weekend, they led teams of young undergraduate students (including Bose and myself) out into remote towns and villages to preach the gospel and minister to the needs of both young and old in these villages. IFE Global Outreach ministry was born out of the experience and growth that God provided Bose and me during those early years.



In March 2025: From L - R: Mrs. Obakin (RN), Dr. Obakin, Bose, Rotimi, and Dr. Akilo

Now, they (our mentors) are experienced medical doctors in their early 80s. When they heard we were in Nigeria, they insisted we must meet again – and we did (see picture).

They pledged to help this ministry in whatever way God would use them - including planning and logistics that would be required to provide effective onsite medical examination by doctors and follow up care after each ministry outreach. On our side, we pledged to provide transportation to the nearest hospital for villagers who need follow up care. Also, we commit to paying the hospital bills and other expenses related to the patient's care in the nearest town or city. How will all this work out? Only God knows! All we know is that this is the direction God is leading us now, and we follow Him. Of course, we are trusting God to provide for all our needs – including funding – as the scripture taught us in 2Phillipians 4:19.

On personal front, we've had many challenges – but we remain steadfast that God's name will be glorified through all our trials. We appreciate your prayers for our family as we struggle to keep a balance between ministry and family life. I really want to apologize for not sending out any ministry update last month (Sept) – it was not because there was nothing to report on. I started this report last month but could not finish it until now. I don't mind sharing with you that the glaucoma and cataract surgery that was planned for my right eye in April was moved to November 10 because my left eye did not heal quickly as expected. So, reading or staring at the computer is becoming more challenging and affecting my productivity.

Added to that are episodes of computer crashes recently. Our desktop computer which I use to prepare the monthly updates and ministry website updates runs on Windows 10. Some of you – like us – have received notices that after October 14, Microsoft will stop supporting Windows 10 – so we need to update to Windows 11. The problem we have is that our computer is too old and does not qualify for system update to Windows 11, so the only solution is to buy a new computer with Windows 11. Do I think the crashes we experienced are related to Microsoft ending their support of Windows 10? Probably not. But our computer has so much running on it right now and is too old to handle all the software updates from vendors who are moving to AI technology. It makes perfect sense and peace of mind to buy a new computer - if I don't want to wake up one morning and find out we lost all our data in a bad crash! Again, we thank God for a special gift of \$500 from one of the families that support us. That gift guarantees that we can purchase at least a good, refurbished desktop – if we don't get additional gift.

Please pray for wisdom as we continue to hold meetings with our mentors and other professionals to improve the quality of our ministry in the coming months. Also pray for our family that we will not be distracted by any situation but will always focus on doing the will of God and be obedient to Him in all our ways.

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Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and the Lord will repay him for his deed. [Proverbs 19:17 ESV]

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