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Aja Harvest Work Report

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Work Activities

Week 1 – September 1-8

- Worshipped with Hounkemey and Dodohoue churches. I gave a lesson on Paul in prison and God's rescue. Dodohoue is the village where Joseph, the Christian being held in prison, is from. I also taught a lesson on 1 Peter 4 on how non-Christians are surprised when we stop doing all of the sinful things of our past with them.
- Visited Koffihoue and greeted village leaders there.
- Tried to have a maturation meeting in the village of Kindji. Meeting cancelled due to farm work.
- Visited Christians from Dodohoue. I prayed with Joseph Latte's family, that the Lord would work in his situation so that they would release him from prison.
- Spoke with a new Christian in the Hounkemey church who had stopped coming. We worked out his problems somewhat and he said he would resume coming to church. He had had a dispute with some others in the church.
- Joseph and I continued translating James into Aja.
- Evangelistic lesson in the village of Koffihoue. I taught a lesson on Jesus' death and resurrection.

Week 2 – September 9-15

- Worshipped with Ainahoue. I taught a lesson on remaining in the vine and bearing spiritual fruit from the Gospel of John.
- Maturation meeting with Kindji church. I taught a lesson on "Jesus, our living water."
- Evangelistic meeting in the village of Koffihoue. I taught a lesson on "What shall we do to be saved?"
- Joe and I worked on a maturation lesson book for new churches.
- Christine, Stephen and Matthew were all sick. I decided to not go to Ekpoji meeting so I could stay home and take care of my family. I did drive to Albert's house, the Aja evangelist who goes with me, and encouraged him to go in my place. We prayed for the village of Ekpoji and I returned home.

Week 3 – September 16-22

- Worshipped with Kindji, Ainahoue and Hounkemey churches. I was kind-of sick so I didn't give a lesson. Christine and the boys stayed home due to sickness.
- Tried to have an evangelistic meeting with Koffihoue village. Meeting canceled due to heavy rains.
- Christine taught a lesson on "Ruth and Naomi" in the village of Kindji with Christian women from Kindji, Djoumahou and Dodohoue.
- Evangelistic meeting in the village of Ekpoji. I taught a lesson on Jesus' death and resurrection.
- Spend five days writing reflection document for the Missions committee.

Week 4 – September 23-30

- Worshipped with Dodohoue congregation. I taught a lesson from John 21 about Jesus showing himself to his disciples after his resurrection and also his instructions to Peter to follow him no matter what others were doing.
- Took six days spiritual renewal.

Thank you for your encouragement and prayers for our ministry among the Aja. We love you and ask God's blessings upon you.

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