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Transforming West Africa with the Hope of Christ



Happy Easter! He is risen! This Easter I (Sarah) had the opportunity to lead our church retreat. We were supposed to have guest speakers, but at the last minute they were not able to come. I volunteered to teach a story set about David. We learned the stories through different activities such as drawings and drama. We then discussed what we learned from the stories and how we can apply the lessons to our lives. I loved seeing people interacting with God's word and hearing what they learned. One story we learned was the story of when Nathan confronted David about his sin with Bathsheba. We talked about how God forgave David of his sin, but there were still consequences including the death of his son. We talked about how an innocent person died because of the sin of others. It was a good opportunity to reflect on how we all struggle with sin and how we need Christ's redeeming blood.



I have also been teaching Bible stories in my fourth-grade religious culture class. In one of the stories we talked about how some of the angels rebelled against God and were punished. They are now on earth deceiving people. One of my students asked who these angels are. I asked the class their thoughts, and one response was that the fallen angels are "irans," a Kriol word for spirits. People make sacrifices to irans for protection, curses against other people, good health, etc. Oftentimes people spend a lot of money on sacrifices that are no guarantee for getting what a person wants. In a mostly Muslim class I was excited to see my students thinking about and learning from the stories.

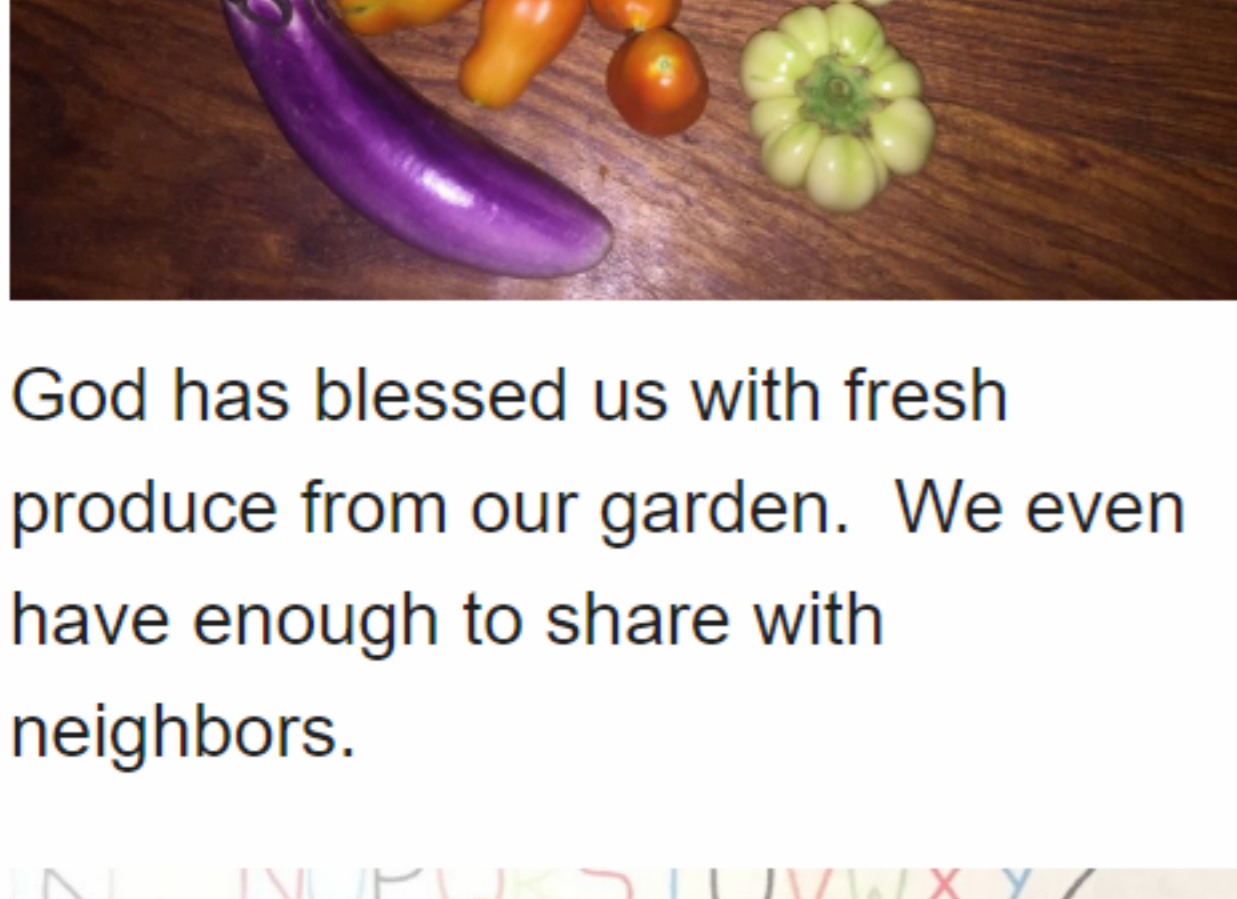


We are so thankful for the success we are seeing in our small dry season garden just behind our house. Even though we got a late start we have been getting fresh produce daily and learned a lot through this process. The neighbor kids have enjoyed working in their own small plots in the garden and have been able to take some vegetables home to their families. The new drip irrigation tubing we brought over worked great using water from our well. Many people have stopped by to learn how it works and we look forward to seeing more people be able to benefit from this simple technology in the future. Hope Remembered was able to get a little space on a container that is being shipped to The Gambia and we filled it with lots of irrigation tubing and materials. Pray that the container makes it to The Gambia and that we are able to get the materials from there to Guinea Bissau. The rains will start again in mid-May, so soon we will be preparing larger areas to plant with rainy season crops using the Farming God's Way method. We would like to have the irrigation materials here and available by October when the rains end and the weather cools off and is more suitable for a variety of vegetables.

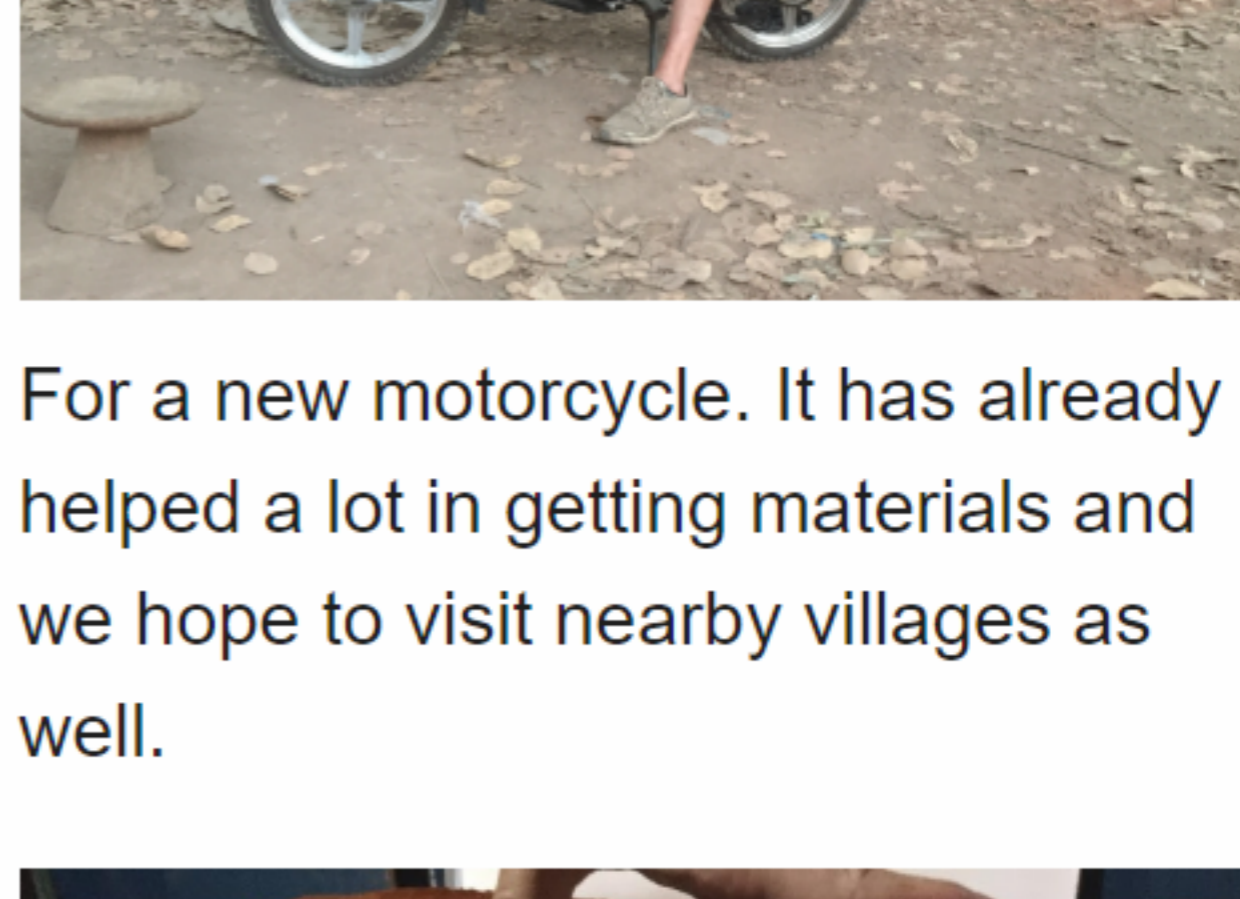


We have also been working on clearing and fencing off new land that we purchased last year. We have all of the fence posts in the ground and have begun putting up barbed wire. Fencing is important here since most people's livestock roams freely and can wreak havoc on crops that took a lot of work to plant. Right now the land is covered in cashew trees that are starting to ripen. We will want to cut any trees so that we can harvest the cashews this year and recover some of the expenses that it took to fence off the land. Once the fencing is complete we would like to get a deep well drilled to provide water for gardening in the dry season using drip irrigation and to provide a source of clean drinking water for ourselves and others.

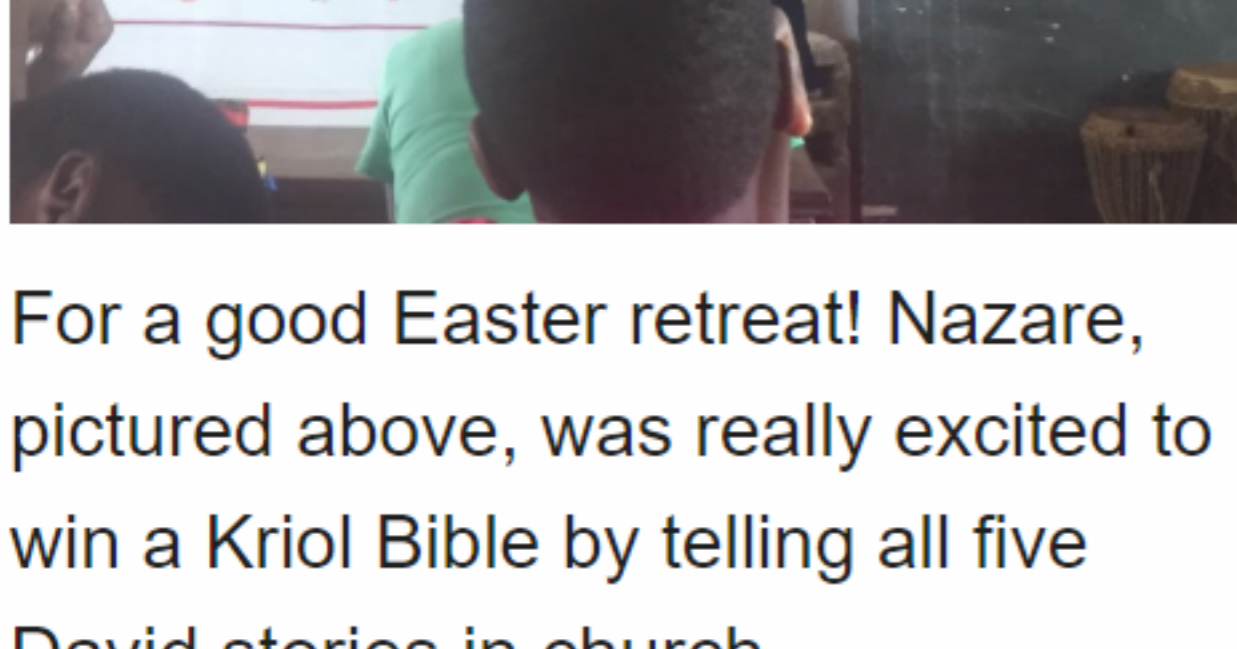
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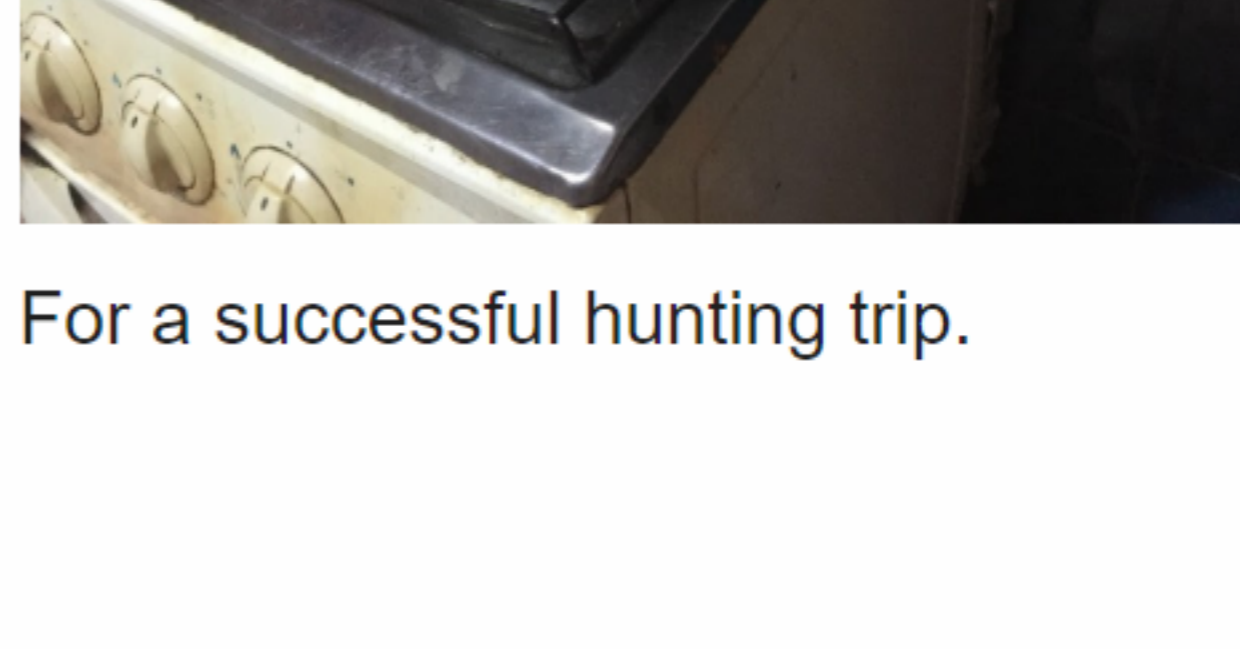
God has blessed us with fresh produce from our garden. We even have enough to share with neighbors.



For a new motorcycle. It has already helped a lot in getting materials and we hope to visit nearby villages as well.



For a good Easter retreat! Nazare, pictured above, was really excited to win a Kriol Bible by telling all five David stories in church.



For a successful hunting trip.

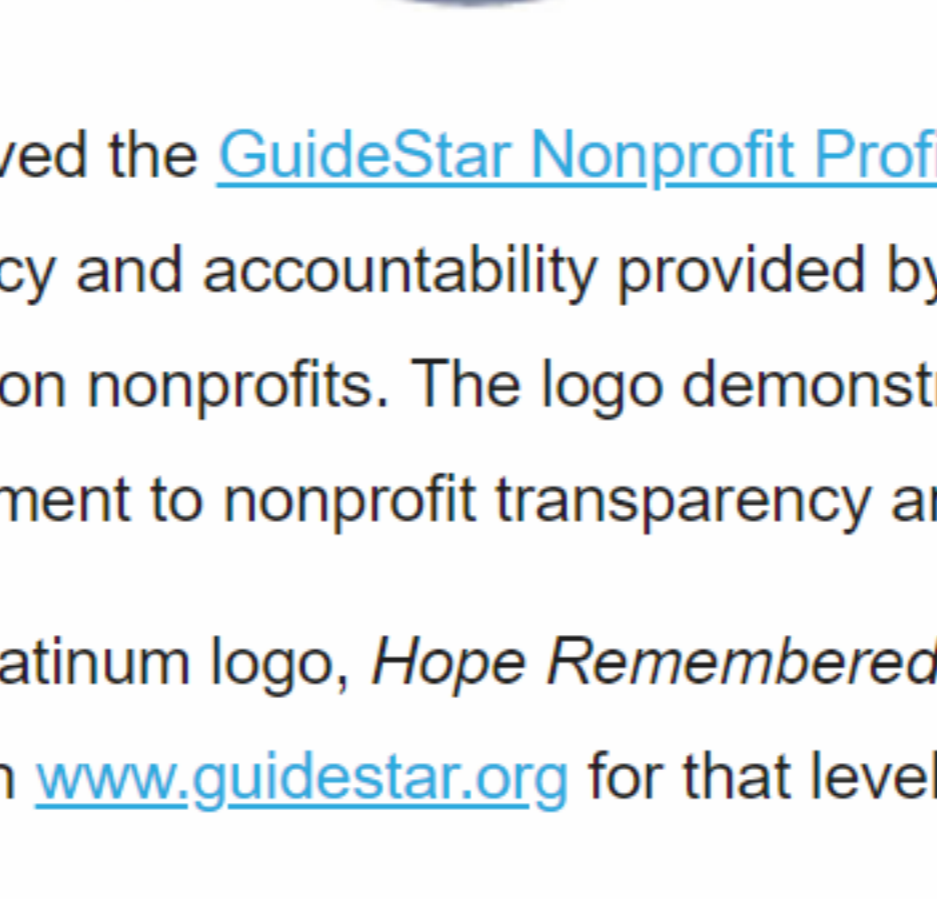
Prayer Requests:

- For our health. There are little bugs here called jigans that get into feet and lay eggs. Sarah has had a couple but Travis has had to dig out about thirty from his feet.
- That we would be able to finish fencing off the project land and God would provide the finances needed to get a deep well drilled for agriculture and clean drinking water.
- For God to open peoples' hearts to His salvation

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