



hope remembered

If you're interested in seeing more of what life is like in Guinea-Bissau, check out this [video](#) of our first term in Guinea-Bissau.



Rainy season is coming to an end. It is amazing to see how fast things grow here! We are so thankful that God has blessed the project land abundantly and we have harvested buckets full of cucumbers, squash, and sunflower seeds. We have given away and eaten many cucumbers and plan to save a lot of the squash for seed and to eat when it's harder to get vegetables. Travis has toasted sunflower seeds and shared them with his workers. It's something new for them and they like it. Other sunflower seeds will be used to sprout and eat as microgreens and some will be used for animal feed.



Guinea-Bissau is rich in resources, but the farmers here usually only plant crops for a few years before turning the field into a cashew orchard since they see diminishing returns. We can see a big difference between our home garden and the neighbor's garden. In our garden (first picture below) we had more okra than we knew what to do with but in the neighbor's garden (second picture below) you had to search to find the okra. The Farming God's Way method addresses the underlying causes as it focuses on land management, keeping out weeds, spacing out plants for maximum produce and adding nutrients back into the land using things readily available like manure and termite mound dirt. It emphasizes taking care of the earth like God commanded and the training includes examples from scripture. Travis and Tym are hoping to do a short training using drip irrigation in a nearby village in the dry season. They will be teaching the pastor and his wife along with others who may be interested in learning more about sustainable agriculture.



We are preparing for dry season. The well has been dug at the project land but we still need to build a water tower and put up solar panels. We've built a small building over the well where we can store materials. The solar panels will go on top of the building. We are once again having to be patient as we wait for the contractor to bring the solar panels.

We are also collecting seed so we can grow vegetables using drip irrigation, a method that uses water more sparingly. We hope to be able to grow some vegetables that are usually only grown during rainy season. They would sell for a higher price in the market.



Samuel is growing and likes to be active. He loves going for walks and visiting neighbors. He still lets just about anyone hold him and loves playing with kids. He has started eating and one of his favorite things is to suck on cucumbers. He also loves taking baths and being in water. I (Sarah) am busy taking care of him and am so thankful for house help so I can cook, have a clean house, and have an extra pair of eyes watching Samuel.



Praises:

- For an abundance of produce.
- For friendships with neighbors.
- We have remained pretty healthy through the rainy season.

Prayer Requests:

- For God to open the hearts of the people in our community.
- For Samuel's continued good health and safety. He is getting more mobile.
- That we would be able to finish registering with the Guinean government as a non-profit organization so that we can purchase a car without having to pay a huge amount of taxes

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876,000

total unreached population



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