

IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY ... SAY THANK YOU!!!!

The colors of fall in the USA are yellow, orange and red. Colors of happiness! How we wish we could celebrate Thanksgiving with Rob's family and enjoy those bright colors with you! Here in Africa, the color is tropical green, but it too shines God's glory! In spite of the big differences of our countries, **Rob and I are in the yellow, orange and red mood in our hearts.** We prayed for each of you individually and thanked the Lord for circumstances in your lives including joyful and challenging times. As if God wanted circumstances of our lives to match this happy time of the year, He has given us special reasons to be thankful.



This month we begin the celebration of our 1st anniversary! November 24, 2012 was the civil ceremony and December 1, the church wedding. It is hard to choose which day to count as our first anniversary, so maybe we will have a week long celebration from November 24 to December 1! We are thanking the Lord for bringing us together and giving us the chance to serve Him together as a couple.

Early in our marriage, while still in Cameroon, I became concerned about possible infertility. In consultation with an OB/GYN, I did a test. The conclusion was that I would never have a child because both of my tubes were blocked.

However with the recommendation of a visiting OB/GYN at Bongolo and the encouragement of people who kept praying for me, I recently underwent laparoscopic surgery and we are praising God, that my tubes are open! Though diagnosed with Polycystic Syndrome, which required removal of several cysts at the time of my surgery, **we now have the possibility of a child and we are praising God for that!**





Dr. Ekeh, visiting surgeon and Dr. Anatole, a Pan African Academy of Christ Surgeons (PAACS) resident with his wife.

God is blessing our work here in Gabon! Rob is flying for the Air Calvary, an air evacuation service of the hospital. Recently, the aviation program received a special provision of fuel from the Gabon government for the next year of flying! Rob has flown about 90 hours for the missionaries, patients, visiting doctors and residents since arriving in May.

With the help of Wycliffe's aviation department in

Cameroon, he also accomplished 2 major maintenance events which included several system upgrades and a trip to Kenya. Rob is working with Air Calvary leadership to transition the Air Calvary program to JAARS aviation operating standards. Please pray for the nation of Gabon. It has forty-one languages but language work is very limited.



God's provision of drums of fuel!

At the hospital, **God continues to give me the opportunity to present the gospel to people and lead them to the Lord.** Some of them are now following Christ in local churches; others remain here in the hospital, but they are hungry for God's word. We see between 60 and 90 patients each day; many of them with serious medical conditions. In spite of limited resources, God is helping us to give them both physical and spiritual health.



Mapaga almost died of heart failure. She is so grateful for medical help and she has become my friend even though we have to converse using a translator.

Happy Thanksgiving to you our special family, friends and partners!

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