



The Rosenbalm Family

Missionaries to Ghana, West Africa

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Dear praying friends,

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all from our family. What a blessing this year has been! I thank the Lord every day for His goodness to us and for allowing us the privilege of serving Him here in Ghana. As always at this time of year, I look back in wonder at all that has transpired in the life of our family over these last twelve months. It is always apparent to me when I reflect back that almost nothing has gone the way that I had planned. This serves to show me all over again that God's plans are so much greater than my own. I remember the times that I grew frustrated watching my plans crumble, only to thank God now that He had His way and I didn't. If I had my way in those situations, things would not have turned out very well and the Lord would not have received the praise and glory He so richly deserves.

The last few weeks for us have been quite busy. Aside from all the holiday activities surrounding us, it became necessary for our family to relocate to a new house. God made the decision very plain to us and we began searching. We asked God to lead us to the place that He wanted us have. After about a month of looking, He lead us to a house that is just what we need. When I came to Ghana in early 2016 looking for housing, God provided a place and made the process of securing it and moving in to be as smooth as it could possibly be. He did the very same thing in this situation. We were able to secure the house quickly, and, with the help of the Aaron family, we were able to move all of our belongings in one day! We are so thankful to be able to spend our first Christmas season in this new house.

We also have another big reason to be thankful this year. I'm sure some of you are already aware of this, but for those of you who have not heard, we are expecting a new addition to our family in 2018! Lord willing, baby number 5 will be arriving towards the beginning of July. We are excited about this new blessing and eagerly await the birth. We will keep you updated with any more news as we are able. Please be in prayer for Kelly and the baby throughout the coming months. We know God is in control and He will work all things for our good as we look forward to meeting our new little one.

This coming Sunday will be our 31st Night celebration with the churches here. We will have a joint all night service together with Biblical Baptist and the Baptist Bible Study from Bokro. We will have a time of singing, preaching, testimonies and games. We will end by praying in the new year. This is always a great time of fun for everyone. Please pray for all of us who will be preaching. There will undoubtedly be some there who don't know Christ and we want to try to give a very clear presentation of the Gospel. I can't think of a better way to start a year than to see someone accept Christ as their Savior.

We hope and pray you all have a good end to this year and a great beginning to 2018. Thank you for the wonderful blessing you have been to us this year. Please continue to pray for us. We promise to pray for you as well. God bless you all!

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