

It feels like a long time since we have last updated you on our goings-on. Many of you have heard of the recent increase in violence in our city of Jos. It has been very discouraging for us because it seems that this has become the new "norm." Many people have lost their lives in this ethno-political-religious battle. We as a family, and as a broader missionary community, have not been directly affected by the fighting, but it does impact us in many small ways. For example, Stephen's school was cancelled for a few days last week. In response to the fighting we would appreciate your prayers for Nigeria.



- 🐛 ***Pray that political and religious leaders would have the wisdom and courage to speak and act boldly against violence.***
- 🐛 ***Pray that those responsible for the violence would see the hurt and destruction they are causing, repent and put down their weapons.***
- 🐛 ***Pray for those who have experienced injury or loss due to the violence.***
- 🐛 ***Pray for us and other missionaries as we adjust to the situation around us and engage in meaningful ministry.***



"God's Word is like water." The comparison is a familiar one for us. Water gives life, just like God's Word. Water refreshes us, just like God's Word refreshes our spirit. As a liquid, water takes the shape of whatever container it is in. In a bottle it takes the shape of a bottle. In a cup it takes the shape of a cup. At our most recent training workshop, one of the lecturers told the participants that their job was to take the bottled water of the Europeans and present it to their people in the more familiar form of a cup.

A total of 20 languages were represented at the workshop. Some of them were brand new projects with no previous work done, while others have completed New Testaments. Each morning at devotions we heard brief updates from each of the languages and prayed for them. Many of them seemed to struggle with community involvement which is one of the struggles we have been having with the Koro languages. Local ownership of these projects is an important factor in their ultimate success. Please join us in prayer for the many language projects in Nigeria.

- 🐛 ***Pray that the translators will be able to persevere in their work until the end.***
- 🐛 ***Pray that the Word of God will have a life-changing impact on these communities.***
- 🐛 ***Pray for more local involvement.***

Patience is now living with us until she starts school in January, the Lord willing. Please remember us as we adjust to this new addition to our family.

We are so privileged to be here, and we want to thank you for the part you play in that.

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