

FEBRUARY, 2018



## PARTNERING, PROCLAIMING, PRAISING

BRAZZAVILLE, CONGO



The birth of our child, Emmanuel Joseph Verslues, is a gift from our Lord. Emmanuel was born on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017. What an awesome blessing he is. God has given us life!

We arrived in Brazzaville on December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to begin our journey as a family on the Continent of Africa. We are meeting with local pastors that we will

partner with here in the Congo. We are proclaiming the Word of God. We are praising the name of Jesus. This is what God has sent us to Brazzaville to do. We are simply his disciples here to do our duty.



Eric and Amy Spencer along with 2 of their 3 children, Autumn and Jordan, are also here as missionaries to the Congo. Their daughter, Madison, is studying stateside to become a nurse.



Both of our families are just arriving in the Congo and we look forward to seeing what God has in store for us and for the people of the Congo. We have ideas and plans but it's the Lord's purposes that will prevail.

Please remember us in your prayers.

## Responses to prayer:

In the last newsletter we prayed “that our Lord would supernaturally bring comfort during pregnancy and minimize the pain of childbirth for Lydie”. God answered that prayer. It was very important to Lydie to give birth naturally to Emmanuel without an epidural. Lydie was very courageous and God intervened. Lydie was in labor for only 4 hours and Emmanuel arrived in her arms a healthy baby boy. I wouldn’t say that Lydie has totally forgotten those birth pains but we thank God for minimizing their duration.

All three of us have obtained our visas to Congo that are valid until January of 2019.

We found a nice house to make a “home”.

We are meeting brothers and sisters in Christ that we look forward to serving with for years to come.

## Prayers request:



- Pray for cultural adjustment to life in Congo
- Pray for our family as we establish our home in Congo
- Pray for unity between us, the National Church, the Spencer family and Serge & Catherine Renault (french missionaries)
- Pray for good health

“Now there are also many other things that Jesus did. Were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.” John 21:25

“We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.” Luke 17:10

