



# Ministry Updates

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**Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water, but a man of understanding will draw it out. – [Proverbs 20:5](#)**

## **Concluded Counsel**

Our daughter Cara cited the above Biblical proverb as part of her comments during the Vanderbilt Owen Graduate School of Management [commencement](#) (link to pic) a week ago. Each graduate was given one minute to share what the Master of Management in Health Care program meant to them during the [ceremony](#) (see 20:44-21:28 of the '[ceremony](#)' link). Cara thanked faculty and classmates for an exceptional year of interaction and accumulated counsel that helped her “draw out wisdom” to better serve patients. Her well-articulated words reminded Debbie that knowledge is never the end-all of education or CHE training. Wisdom for life is only obtained when learners comprehend how to elicit or draw out counsel obtained by others to learn practical, life-changing ways.



*25/09 Mother and Daughter Photo*

## **Created Contacts**

Meanwhile, Verlin busied himself with many activities, including preparing for the upcoming CHE training in Liberia. After three nights in Bondoukou, he spent five days in Abengourou to reinforce our small pickup's towing capacity and get some lights rewired. He also paid some bills while securing some credits accrued during our 2020 absence and helped some Ivorian friends develop their retirement income options that could not be done in Bondoukou. Finally, he ended the week planning another CHE Training of Trainers with a church fellowship in Abidjan.

Verlin got surprised by a phone call from a Kenyan professor who lives in Florida. Last January, we visited a childhood friend of Verlin's who works at the Gulf Coast Florida University College of Education. They grew up together on the same street in Michigan. Tom gave our ministry description to a colleague who hails from Kenya. For months, this man could not get out of his mind what he read about '*What if God lived in our village . . .*' and our reported use of CHE strategies. He finally used the listed phone number to call Verlin to get acquainted. As a result, Verlin agreed to share by Zoom during a [comparative education](#) course about CHE strategies, thinking initially that the request focused on [comparative communication](#). The professor is also president of an [association](#) of Africans living in Southwest Florida. He expressed interest in how they may assist in an educational endeavor in Cote d'Ivoire.

## **Prayer & Praise**

- ✿ We thank God that some medical exams Debbie took this week indicate that her heart is not involved in a blood pressure issue she works to regulate.
- ✿ Pray for the preparations and details of the upcoming Liberian CHE training in mid-October. Thankfully, Verlin's visa is already approved.
- ✿ Pray for a CHE trainer who is facing hurdles in employment and in efforts to get married.

Your partners in the Gospel, Verlin & Debbie

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