

THE DRAKE ADVENTURE

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🌐 Dear Friends and Supporters, 🌐



👋 Hi from the Drake crew 👋 ! What a whirlwind of a fall it's been- full of growth, adventures, and undeniable signs of God's faithfulness. We're overflowing with gratitude as we reflect on how He's been moving in our lives and ministry. From family milestones, to ministry trips, to sweet reunions with you all, this season has reminded us that we're all in the battle together, suited up and ready for what God has next. Thank you for your prayers and partnership; you're a vital part of this adventure!



Family highlights

First off, let's catch you up on the family. Faith just wrapped up her first semester of Dental Hygiene school, and she's thriving, though it's intense! Balancing studies with family life has been no small feat, but she's passionate about her calling and excited for what's ahead. Our kids are doing amazingly well too. OC finished her first semester at Liberty University majoring in Film Production. We're so proud of her dedication; she's loving campus life. Meanwhile, Celeste, August, and Nico have plugged right back in at Salem Christian School. They're growing in their walks with Jesus, making great friends, and excelling in their studies and activities. It's a joy to see them rooted in a solid community. As for me (Adam), I'm pushing through my Master's degree at Piedmont Divinity School. It's also intense, but I'm on track to graduate in May 2026. Then I'll jump into the DMin program. Your prayers for focus and energy are appreciated more than you know as I'm also the stay at home "mom".

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PK's and MK's get each other

Faith's Class Christmas party at our house



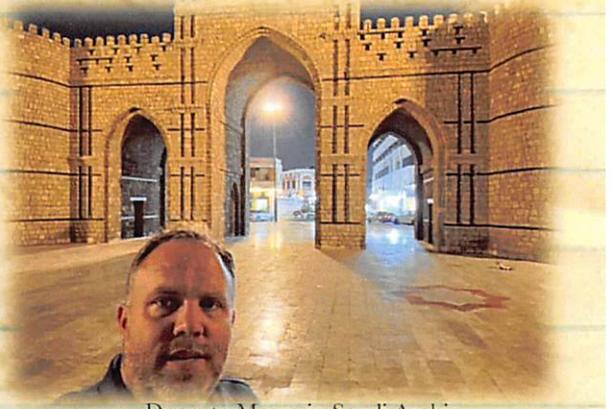
🏠 On the ministry front 🏠 ,

we've had a wonderful fall and are praising God for the ways He's been expanding our support. Through the generosity of friends and churches, we've seen an increase of over \$700/month—truly an answer to prayer since we had just asked for prayer a few months ago. We still have quite a bit more to raise, so please let us know of any churches that we could visit this year. We are so humbled by God's provision.



🚗 In terms of adventures ✈️ , I (Adam) had the incredible opportunity to attend a conference in Dubai this past fall, focused on outreach in the Muslim world. It was eye-opening to connect with like-minded believers and learn strategies for sharing the Gospel in

challenging contexts. From there, I visited Saudi Arabia. It was amazing to witness open doors for the Gospel in a place often seen as closed. What a powerful reminder of God's sovereignty! But the highlight was heading to Togo to teach Church History II at our Institute, and help lead a team from the church I grew up with in France on their first trip to Togo. Being back in Togo stirred up deep emotions; it's heavy on our hearts amid the turmoil in West Africa, with political unrest and security concerns affecting so many. Despite getting the flu and a scary bus accident that left me shaken, the trip was worth every moment. God showed up powerfully as we trained local leaders and encouraged the church.



Doors to Mecca in Saudi Arabia

🇲🇵 report from Togo 🇲🇵 that has us rejoicing is about Lamboni, the former witch doctor in the village of Yinyingou. Our dear friends Joseph and Patricia, the chaplains at Hope Radio, have faithfully carried on the ministry baton we passed when we left. Lamboni came to faith just recently this year and invited our team into his village to share the Gospel. It's not been easy



Church service in Yinyingou

with been persecution and rejection, as you can imagine in a community steeped in voodoo. But God is breaking through! As the attached picture shows, a group of over 40 people is now committing their lives to Christ and gathering for worship. This work is being carried out by the Togolese without missionary involvement. Our team has poured into the chaplains and they are pouring into others in villages. This is the

very picture of multiplying disciples. We're praying for protection and growth in Yinyingou, as well as for the broader region facing instability.

📁 As we wrap up this update 📁, we want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for standing with us. Your financial support, prayers, and encouragement keep us going strong. Please continue to pray for our family as we navigate school schedules, for our studies and upcoming graduation, and for open doors in our ministry. Pray that the Lord provides housing for us starting in June as that is still up in the air. Pray also for some new friends we have made from West Africa here in NC-that they would see their need for Jesus.



And finally, lift up Togo and the surrounding areas. May God bring peace and continued revival. We'd love to hear from you; share your own stories and how we can pray for you!

In His service and with hearts full of hope,

Adam, Faith, OC, Celeste, August, and Nico

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