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If you've followed our ministry at all, even peripherally, you know that at l'Hôpital Baptiste Biblique, ***every single patient bears the Gospel***. This passion informs all our decisions and motivates our team day and night as we proclaim the Gospel to a hurting world. We are blessed to be a part of a team with this singular focus, and as hospital director, my commitment to this practice will never change. It is why we are here!

These prayer letters and news updates can only give you a snapshot, and when we have the chance to host visitors and show them in person what goes on, we relish the opportunity! Earlier this year, our sending church, Grace Bible Church (Murrieta, CA) sent one of their pastors to West Africa. Pastor John Dalrymple, along with his son Josiah, saw firsthand what we try to communicate in a few words and pictures. Pastor John encouraged us in so many ways as he brought news of the GBC church family, shared gifts, taught, preached, counseled and served our team and our Togolese staff. Their trip truly was a highlight of 2026 for us!



Meeting with our hospital chaplain team



He even joined us in the operating room!



## A Glimpse of Medical Missions in Action



John and Tabitha Groeneveld, teammates of ours, shared this story of a patient they recently treated together: “Elodie, accompanied by her husband Joel, came to our hospital due to severe abdominal pain. Sadly, our team diagnosed an unresectable kidney cancer.

“While hospitalized, in addition to her medical care, they both continued to receive spiritual care; and on the day of her discharge, Joel accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior! Elodie listened, but did not make a personal profession of faith in Jesus Christ. Despite her initial hardness, our spiritual care continued through her follow-up visits. Emefa, one of our chaplains, spent nearly an hour talking to Elodie, clearly sharing the truth of the Gospel, the promises of God’s word, and the hope that we can have in the finished work

of Jesus Christ. Before Elodie left the post-op clinic, she acknowledged her need of forgiveness from sin and she put her faith in Jesus Christ!

Their conclusion sums it up perfectly: “Sometimes God’s purpose and plan doesn’t line up with our medical goals. From a human/medical perspective, Elodie’s case is a failure: a patient that we were unable to help. But from a spiritual perspective, it is a resounding success! God used a terminal illness to bring a couple to himself for salvation!” Stories like this demonstrate how ***HBB is more than a hospital!***

We now have begun our stateside home assignment! We landed in SC last week and will be in the US for the next year. Reach out if you want to connect! We’d love to get together and thank you in person.



But before we left, we had the fun privilege of welcoming a work team from Hampton Park Baptist Church (Greenville, SC) which included our son, Paton! They were able to renovate one of our missionary residences during their week with us. Thank you, Let’s Go Ministries! We also welcomed two undergraduate pre-med students who will see medical missions up close for the summer as they seek God’s will for their future medical careers.



(L to R) Dr. Seth Mallay, Garrett, Ian, and me

## Praises and Prayer Requests

- ✦ **Praises:** for a safe return to the US; for a wonderful team to carry on the ministry in our absence; for an upcoming interview with a Muslim-background believer who desires to be a chaplain!
- ✦ **Prayer requests:** keep praying for final resolution to our tax situation (still waiting for verbal approval to become written and official); for a fruitful internship for Ian and Garrett; for a fruitful furlough ministry as we travel, update our supporters on the ministry, raise funds, and recruit new missionaries!