

Tim and Bev's Conference 2015: September 17th to 1st October

Date	Activity	Prayer Concerns
Wednesday, Sept. 16 th	Depart Sioux Falls at 5:10 PM	Pray for Safe Travel and smooth connections: 1 hour flight to Minneapolis, but a 3 hr. & 38 min. layover! 8 hr. and 15 min. flight to Amsterdam, but 2 hr. & 25 min. layover. 6 hr. and 40 min. flight to Accra, Ghana, West Africa! Hopefully our luggage will arrive at the same time and place we do!
Thursday, Sept. 17 th	Arrival in Ghana at 8:05 PM local time (Ghana is 5 hours ahead of Iowa time)	We will meet Sampson at the airport. Please pray for Sampson and his wife, Janet, and the work that they do. Sampson's mother just died about three weeks ago. By the time we get our luggage and check into our hotel, it will be late. Pray for a good night's rest and quick acclimation to Africa.
Friday, Sept. 18 th	Travel to Techiman	About 240 miles, pray for safety, health, and smooth travel. Pray for the Straight Way Chapel and Pastor Ahmed. He is one of the supervising pastors with a very effective outreach to the Muslim community. Pray for his safety, boldness, and ministry.
Saturday, Sept. 19 th	Travel to Wa thru Sawla or Banda	About 200 miles, continue to pray for safety on the road, health, and smooth travel. Also that God would guide Sampson, Bev, and I in the teachings, worship, and fellowship time with the missionaries, their families, and their disciples.
		This year, we are asking the missionaries to each bring their three strongest disciples. This will be the first time that we are including the disciples in the conference. We want to get to know them and begin a process of raising up leadership, not only for local congregations, but also for evangelists who will extend the kingdom into villages that have not been reached.
Sept. 20 th – 22 nd	Wa Conference	Pray for the specific missionaries in this region and their disciples. We plan to meet with Robert and Samuel from Tumu, Paul from Wa, Stephen from Sawla, Francis from Wechau, Samson Baah from Gboe, and Pascal from Abengourou in Cote d'Ivoire, along with their disciples.
Wednesday, Sept. 23 rd	Travel to Walewale	About 190 miles. We will need more prayers for safety on the road, health, strength, and smooth travel. Pray also that we not have a bad reaction to the food, water, heat, or lack of rest.

Sept. 24 th – 26 th	Walewale Conference	This will be our second gathering, with a different group of missionaries and disciples. Again, pray for the lessons that we teach and the blessings of worship and fellowship that we share. Specific missionaries here will be Paul from Sargadugo, Kojo from Zebilla, Jacob and David from Walewale, Samuel from Langbensi, along with their disciples.
Sunday, Sept. 27 th	Travel to Togo Evening Meeting	About 130 miles, but we will have to spend a couple of hours at the border crossing, clearing our visas, and getting into Togo. Pray for a smooth crossing, as well as safety on the road. We will also be in need of physical, emotional, and spiritual strength.
Sept. 28 th – 29 th	Dapaong Conference	This will be our third gathering, this time with the Togo missionaries and their disciples. Here, there is more of a language barrier. The dominant language in Togo is French, while Ghana is English. More time needs to be spent in translation of our teachings. Pray that God would again bless our sessions of teaching, worship, and fellowship. We will be meeting with Joseph and Francois from Sinkasse, Evarist and Moses from Dapaong, Yao from Barkoissi, and Jonas and Siriaque from Mango. This is also the group who lost their friend and fellow missionary, Emmanuel Bada last December in a motorcycle accident. We want to honor his memory and service, as well as comfort and encourage his widow, Rebecca
Wednesday, Sept. 30 th	Travel back to Lome	Nearly 400 miles. At least on the map, it looks like a pretty good road, but we have not been on this road before. Continue to pray for health, strength, safety, and patience.
Thursday, Oct. 1 st	Travel back to Accra Rest	Only about 130 miles. It is along the coast, should be a pretty drive with good roads. We will have another border crossing to deal with and pray that it goes smoothly. Hopefully, we will also be able to stop to see Sampson and Janet's home in Tema, east of Accra. They have always wanted to show us their home, but we have been too cramped for time. Keep praying for safe travels!
Friday, Oct. 2 nd	Return to the US in the morning	Early start! We have to catch a flight out of Accra at 9:15 AM, so we will need to be at the airport about 7:00! 11 hr. flight to New York, arriving at 4:20 PM. 2 hr. layover! 3 hr. 20 min. flight to Minneapolis, little over 1 hr. layover! 1 hr. flight to Sioux Falls, arriving at about 11:00 PM! Pray for safety in the air, on the roads, and rest when we get home!

