

August 12th

Subject: Please persevere in Prayer!

Dear Prayer Warriors,

Dr. Roy Lauter, President of New Hope International Ministries, the sponsors of this project and chairman of the Board of World Gospel Missions and Dr. Hubert Harriman, President of World Gospel have met their own difficulties in coming to the camp meeting as the main speakers.

About two weeks ago, their passports were lost in D.C. when sent for Congo visas. Finally, just this week they arrived at our personal contact from the Olangi Ministry and when Mama Nicole walked out of the Congolese Embassy, she was met by Matt Kinnell, Director of Operations of New Hope, who had flown to D.C. to make sure the passports/visas would be safely delivered to both Roy and Hubert.

When Matt got on the train to return to the airport he got deathly sick and vomited severely three times, then on the way home on the plane that continued. He is still in bed unable to get out.

But Roy has his passport safely and will leave early this a.m. for the airport. A young lady was driving directly to Hubert to personally deliver his passport. (We have prayed for her safety in the process.)

Roy also, lost his Mother last Sunday with the service on Tuesday. So please pray for him emotionally as well. Pray for both his and Hubert's safe and timely travel. Also, their schedule in arrival here for the camp.

Three of our team left here on Thursday morning with the Minister of Defense's truck arriving at Lodja after about 9 hours.

Then yesterday (Friday) Pastor Kitambala went with them to the airport, got them checked through though it was bedlam.

Many politicians came to Lodja during the elections and are vying for a place on the plane to return to Kinshasa. Never mind that our youth have had their tickets for weeks or that the man in charge knew they have international tickets, it is the person that can pay the biggest bribe that gets on.

Right now, the freight flight on Sunday is to become a passenger flight instead or so they 'say'. Please help us pray for that to be true. That would enable our team members to get to Kinshasa on Sun. eve in time to catch their flights to the states on Monday evening.

Also, they were pretty frustrated not getting on and too, two of their bags went on. They have the 'bare' necessities at Lodja but the Pastor will do everything that he can to care for them until he gets them on the plane.

Good news-though we have no wheels here and things are being carried on the backs and shoulders of men, the four main columns of the tabernacle are up! We have five days of work left before the came meeting which will not start now until the 17th awaiting the arrival of the Bishop.

Please continue your prayers for us, Roy and Hubert and Matt,

safety for their families as they remain in the states, the workers here, the work and our team getting off on time for their flight. Persevering, Marty