

August 17th

Subject: They're Here!

Dear Friends,

Dr. Roy Lauter and Dr. Hubert Harriman arrived about 12:20 P.M. on the small mission plane today. They left Kinshasa yesterday but their plane into Kananga was late in leaving and arriving there. As a result of that plus all that the mission pilot had to do, they ended up spending the night.

The mission plane dropped them off and then flew to Kindu to get the Bishop and his wife.

We have all eaten and have visited. The Bishop is even now in the living room with the District Superintends planning the schedule for the camp.

According to our American schedule we are a day or two late but not according to Congo standards.

After two days our truck has not arrived but one of the mechanics has arrived via bicycle telling us that they ran out of diesel fuel. Pastor Kitambala has left with a large jerry can of fuel for them. They should be here before dark.

The truck has had to 'nurse' the bad tire all the way here and the axle that arrived on the airplane on Sunday was the wrong one. The old one they are using is very precarious, thus their late arrival.

All of the 16 columns for the camp are standing with the cement poured around them.

BUT the workers have had to build a temporary structure on the site with palm branches as covering. It is now a full fledged rainy season but we have to leave that to the Lord as to how this will affect the services.

PLEASE continue to persevere with us in prayer for souls.

'ALL' that we have been through this summer has been no accident.

WE PLAN ON RETURNING TO FINISH THIS PROJECT AT THE LORD'S TIMING!

Until later, Marty