

Nationwide Radio Interview with Paul and Donna:

On June 23, Prime Time America, which is heard on the Moody Broadcasting Network, aired an interview with us about Benin. We were honored to have our interview aired. If you would like to listen to the interview you can do so at: www.cox-net.com/interview.htm.

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During our first term in Benin, May 2007 to Jan 2009, our major objective was to get the broadcasts started, which by the grace of God we accomplished. As we return to Benin and look to our next term, there are new projects and new objectives to work toward. The one thing that our listeners request over and over again is more broadcast time in their language (for example the Dendi language only gets 15 minutes of broadcast twice a week). Given that we have only one transmitter, it is hard to accommodate these requests. In an effort to give some languages more time and also reach some new languages with the broadcast of the gospel and Biblical teaching, we are pursuing a short-wave license with the government of Benin. The application has been submitted and will now have to be "followed." Here in Benin, once you submit something to a government office it is always a good idea to stop by that office every couple of weeks just to "greet" those at the office.

One of the areas that we started working on last term was the development of the Benin team both technically and spiritually. During our absence they did a great job keeping the broadcasts going. This next term our desire is to continue the development of the team. Some have mentioned that if you develop the team so that they don't need you, you will be out of a job; which is exactly our goal. Believe us, there is plenty of work here in West Africa.



Lauren Libby president of TWR & his wife June with Paul & Donna

Hopefully by the time you read this we will have purchased some more land to facilitate the building of an office and houses. We are currently renting houses which can have some drawbacks; like when the landlord wants to double the rent. TWR has the funds for the purchase of the land. However, we continue in prayer for the personnel and funds for the shortwave expansion, the building of an office and housing.

We arrived in Benin July 1. How time has flown. As we shared before, our time in the states was blessed. We had a hard time limiting ourselves to a few highlights. A huge blessing for our family came in the way of “packing angels.” Three ladies and one of their teenage sons came from Coppell to Gainesville, Texas, several days before we flew out. They helped us pack all of our things in about four hours, a job that would have taken us several days and many tearful, frustrated moments. It was actually a joyful time and definitely a huge blessing. Thank you to the “packing angels.” This allowed us to spend some last minute quality time with our parents. Saying goodbye is hard, especially on our families. It really helps to know that Benin is where God has called us and His grace is sufficient.



Cox family at airport w/ Brooks & Beth

Upon our arrival in Benin we had a houseful of people to welcome us as well as a steady stream of visitors ever since. We have been encouraged by the fruit we are seeing in many of the people’s lives. Due to moving into a new house, it has taken us a bit longer to settle in; though our bags and boxes are unpacked, furniture arranged, and the internet working. Whew! Also in the last month we celebrated both Paul’s and Nehemiah’s birthdays and Micah Joy has had our first case of Malaria of the term. It is rainy season and the mosquitoes are awful. Please pray for protection against illness especially Malaria.



Theo, Joshua, Nehemiah, Micah Joy & Miriam at Nehemiah’s birthday breakfast

US highlights

Nehemiah: Camp, seeing friends and family and playing Wii

Micah Joy: Seeing family and friends, taking riding lessons, going to a water park with Aunty Joy and going to camp

Miriam: Going to camp, going to camp, going to camp and meeting new friends

Donna: Visiting supporting churches, worshiping in English, getting a nice haircut and of course time with family

Paul: Seeing friends and family (especially while eating Frontier rolls)

Prayer Items

Praises

- Safe traveling and that all of our luggage made it even with a quick plane change
- We quickly got back into the routine and work
- We are close to purchasing land for houses and an office

Prayer requests

- Health, we have already had a case of malaria
- Sensitivity to what God would have us change or be involved in this term
- Preparations for the new school year and the transition for our family as Nehemiah goes to school in Kenya
- Opportunities to share Christ
- Continued proficiency in French

Contacting the Cox Family

If you would like to get in contact with us you may call **214-764-3929** (do not forget the time difference, we are +1 UTC / GMT). At minimum you will be able to leave a voice message that we check regularly. If you are really lucky and God smiles upon you, you might even get to talk to us. Alternatively (and if you like large phone bills) you can try our cell phone in Benin. Normally you have to dial two, three, five or eight times before the call goes through – good luck. Paul: **+229 95 27 29 94** and Donna: **+229 95 30 84 19**. Also as a reminder, we rarely receive mail or packages that are sent to us. So, in lieu of packages through the mail we would like to encourage you to pray for us or send us an email: **family@cox-net.com**.

Please send financial support to: TWR, PO Box 8700, Cary NC 27512. Please ensure Paul & Donna Cox is on the memo line.