



**October 2022**

Dear Friends,

A few mornings ago, I found myself saying to a patient, “If you don’t stop smoking, it’s going to kill you.” Dr. Karim, the doctor who had been on call, interrupted me. “Doctor, it actually killed him!” The previous night the patient had been successfully resuscitated during a severe asthma attack. It is rare that we successfully resuscitate someone in this context, but that young man walked out of our clinic that morning. We encouraged him to think about how God had saved him and to consider why he got a second chance.

Another young man who got a second chance is Adamou. You may remember hearing about him many years ago. He had a serious infection in his left thigh bone that was treated by a visiting orthopedic surgeon. I was blessed to help coordinate some of his care. He recently asked another missionary to see the old pictures from when he was sick and the missionary was kind enough to share the before and after pictures with me (on the right). What a testimony to God’s grace to see Adamou functional, healthy, and finishing school! Pray that Adamou and his family would understand that all this goodness came directly from God’s hand and would accept Jesus as their Savior.



We thank God for these glimpses of His kingdom at work here in Niger. This has been a challenging time. As we shared in our last letter, we asked for support for a process of evaluation and improvement which we started in April. Thank you for your contributions to that fund! The process has been very slow and has had some unexpected challenges. Rev. Derrick will be returning to Niger on October 19 to dialogue with our local supervisor Chako, the local church partner, and our colleagues about how to move the process forward. We appreciate your ongoing prayers for wisdom and God’s will and plans to be apparent. Pray for Derrick as he has many visits to make before ending his trip here in Niger.

At the new clinic, we are excited to see the walls going up for our new x-ray room (pictured below).

We already offer ultrasounds on Saturdays and our patients will soon benefit from x-ray as well! We are still in the planning stages of the evangelism outreach project around the new clinic. Please keep praying for open hearts in the villages which we will visit.

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Lydia is finding her second year on campus at the University of Northern Iowa much easier than the first.

She has found a good group of friends and is involved with Navigators campus ministry. The younger children are enjoying Sahel Academy's relocated campus and we were all thankful that we did not have to panic as we watched the Niger River rising next to the old campus. Fortunately, it hasn't flooded this year as many missionary families are living on the old campus.

We are grateful always for your time spent in prayer for our family and this ministry, as well as your financial partnership. May God show His kindness to you today and perhaps reveal to you a second chance that you have been given by His grace.

In Christ,

Susan (for all of the Beebouts)