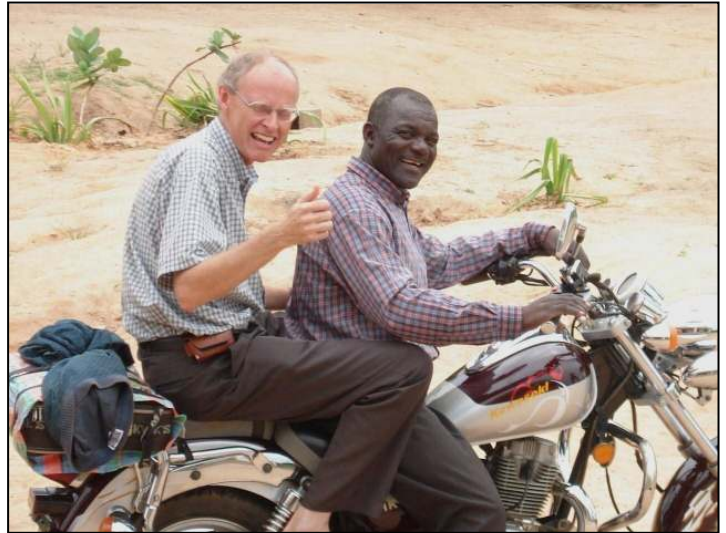


The Power of Partnership

All through the scriptures, we find the principle of partnership at work. Right from the beginning of eternity, God himself has interacted in a partnership of Father (God over us), Son (God with us) and Holy Spirit (God within us). But he also calls his people into partnership, in his plan for the redemption of the world. Today, we act as his hands, his feet and his voice as we share his love with others around us in the world *"I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now"* (Philippians 1:5)

This year as we are on home assignment in Canada, we value the opportunity of getting reconnected with so many of you who have been faithfully praying and co-labouring with us. When we visit in your churches and homes, we are

reminded once again of the vital importance of our partnership together. We could never do this by ourselves. We appreciate each of you, and your prayers and support for the work in Angola. Our brothers and sisters in the Evangelical Church of Angola are key partners with us as well, as we seek to work together in building the kingdom of God in Africa.



Jan 11	Queensway, Brantford
Jan 18	First Baptist, Guelph
Feb 1	Forest
Feb 8	Arkona
Feb 15	Stoney Creek
Feb 22	Lakefield
March 1	Forest
March 15	Mt Hamilton
March 22 - April 3	CBM Conference, New Delhi
April 4	Central Baptist, Sarnia
Apr 18-19	Almonte & Carleton Place
April 26	Niagara Falls
May 2	Baptist Women
May 3	Forest
May 24	Brockville
May 31	Immanuel, Toronto

Sharing the Vision

As we move into the new year, we are once again speaking at many different churches throughout southern Ontario, sharing the vision for Angola. Jim is also preaching a number of times at Forest Baptist Church, as part of the missionary-in-residence program. Please note our speaking schedule as we know it at this point. If you would like to know more details about any of these dates, feel free to give us or CBM a call. If you are able to join us for one of these events, we would love to see you.

Returning to Angola

In December Jim travelled to Kenya to meet with CBM and IEA leadership to look ahead at future plans for the work in Angola. It was agreed that after we return to Angola later this year, we will begin making plans for an eventual move to Cabinda, where we will be focussing our ministry on mentoring and training pastors and lay leaders at the IEA Bible school there.

Prayer focus:

- Pray for us as we travel to various churches this winter and spring.
- Pray for our return to Angola, as we make plans to eventually move to Cabinda
- Pray for good progress for our 8-year old son Pedro, as he is attending school this year in Canada
- Pray for the churches and leaders of the IEA in Angola, that they will be encouraged and strengthened

We appreciate your continuing prayers and support.

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