

# THE GAYLE GAZETTE

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“...and (Jesus) sent them out to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick,”  
(Luke 9:2, NIV).



Top Michael at Demo 24, ABWE headquarters in Harrisburg, PA. We love it when young couples with little ones look at missions! Top right Fellowship Bible Church Mission's Festival. Of course, Togo should be front & center! LOL! Right—a quick visit with Pastor Colin Seager at Derwood Bible Church in Derwood, MD. Other two photos explained below.



The ABWE 50th years in Togo celebration on March 23 was a resounding success! There were over 3,000 celebrants at the huge praise service that included many, many Togolese—including pastors and government officials—and current/past missionaries. The gospel was clearly preached by the President of ABWE, Pastor Paul Davis. You might ask or think, “Well why is ABWE still in Togo? Why not move one?” First of all, there is still plenty of work to do, before the team can turn everything over to the national team. Togo is a country with about 8.5 million. Even with 1 million being reached for the gospel, there are 7.5 million still not reached. Including the Fulani and other unreached people groups that ABWE is working to reach. Also, Islam is on the rise and fetish worship is still huge. The top picture to the right, shows a photo of a hut in Tamberma, Togo. This was taken by us in 2002 during a visit to Togo. The picture to the bottom right was taken by our teammate, Judy Bowen, just recently! They both show fetishes! At the Tamberma hut—there are a lot of little “mud mounds” outside their hut that represent the family members. Eggs, chickens, maybe goats, etc. are “sacrificed” on them to protect the family members. This would be called “personal/family idols.” The bottom fetish/idol is more of a “public” idol that all who pass by can see, sacrifice to, or “worship.” It even has a little roof over it! Fetish worship is still huge, and the people are blinded. ABWE has 1,0000 missionaries in over 84 countries, not just in Togo! Thank-you for praying for us, and God’s ministries in Togo and around the world! We leave for our short-term trip to Togo on April 10th. Please pray for travel safety and great connections.



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