

# THE PATE FAMILY IVORY COAST CÔTE D'IVOIRE



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Dear Prayer Supporters,

Thank you for your faithful prayer and support for our family this past month! Throughout the month of August, our deputation travels took us through MN, IA, WI, MI, IL, IN, OH, PA, WV, MD, VA, NC, and SC; God has watched over us as we've traveled many miles. We completed a fruitful and profitable summer of ministry in the Midwest and are thankful that God has increased our support to 69%. We've enjoyed some time in NC the past few days where we've been able to visit with family and our sending church. We ask for your prayer as we prepare to participate in many missions conferences and regular meetings through the fall season.

I have asked Katie to write a portion of this month's prayer letter to describe her perspective of life as a mother and wife on deputation:

### Katie's Perspective on Deputation:

Thank you all for your prayers on behalf of our family! As a wife and mother, I feel incredibly insufficient to fulfill my God-given daily responsibilities, but knowing that we have a host of prayer warriors backing us greatly encourages me. Thank you for your texts and emails that have so often come at just the time I needed them most; God has used many of you to be such a blessing to me.

I am grateful for God's provision, protection, and guidance throughout our deputation journey. It has been a privilege to be able to travel with our fifth-wheel trailer, as it has provided a place of stability for our growing family, as well as a place for me to be a "keeper at home." Our trailer has proven to be an ideal environment to be able to rear our two girls on the road, and to have much needed family time each day. Allison will be two years old next month, and has been growing in her vocabulary, life-skills, and obedience to us as her parents. She loves music and books! I have enjoyed helping her begin to learn shapes, colors, counting, songs, some letter sounds, and picture recognition. Maddie is 3 months old now, and is a very sweet baby, always full of smiles. She loves her big sister and is very patient with her!

During the course of our deputation ministry God has allowed me to participate in many wonderful opportunities. I have been able to help Josh with certain aspects of organization, communication, and office work, as well as to partake in a plethora of church ministries, such as, special music, teaching in children's and teen girls' classes, helping with outreach activities in different churches, and investing in other young people who are interested in ministry/missions. I love the ministry to which God has called us, and I am privileged to serve alongside my wonderful husband!

Along the way, God has taught me so many valuable lessons about contentment, priorities, flexibility, humility, and trust. He has been very good, and has provided all we need financially, physically, emotionally, and spiritually. I am thankful that we are not alone in this journey; we have our gracious Father, as well as our faithful prayer supporters. Please, never underestimate the impact your prayers have on us! ~ Katie Pate

In Christ,  
Josh, Katie, Allison, and Madelyn Pate

Prayer Requests	Praises
1. Logistics and paperwork for upcoming travel to Canada	1. New supporters – now at 69%!
2. Continued wisdom for decisions regarding language school	2. Great meetings and safety in traveling
3. Upcoming fall schedule of meetings and 9 missions conferences	3. Wonderful and fruitful summer of ministry



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