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MISSION REPORT

Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

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TO ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE  
PRAYED FOR US OR SUPPORTED  
US FINANCIALLY – **THANK YOU,  
THANK YOU, THANK YOU!**  
YOU ARE A PART OF THE TEAM  
AND OUR WORLD-WIDE CFAN  
FAMILY. WE ARE CO-LABORERS  
TOGETHER IN THE HARVEST.  
**WE LOVE AND APPRECIATE YOU**  
AND WE THANK GOD FOR YOU.

## Dear Mission Partners

In this edition I would like to update you on our first Gospel Campaign in 2013. What an awe-inspiring beginning to the new year! It surpassed our expectations by far and still moves me as I am writing about it now. Our whole team looks back with reverence to what Jesus did in Abidjan this week. I have never seen anything like what happened on the final night of the campaign. All in all nearly one million people attended on those four nights and what happened in this city reminds us of the Acts of the Apostles.

Since the year 2000 more than 62 million people in over 90 CfaN Gospel Campaigns made a decision to follow Christ, documenting it by filling in a decision card. What an amazing harvest of souls! This shows us that the CfaN team was right where God wanted us at the time.

But it has to be said that for many years other African countries - as well as nations around the world - have been asking us to come and help them throw out the nets in their countries, winning many to Christ. They want to have a part in the great outpouring of God's Spirit in Africa, changing the face of what used to be known as "the dark continent".

Abidjan is only the beginning for 2013. We will reach out with the Gospel to several other African metropolises this year:

Abidjan/**Côte d'Ivoire** (Population: over 4.3 million)  
Nairobi/**Kenya** (Population: nearly 3.5 million)  
Dar Es Salaam/**Tanzania** (Population: nearly 3.5 million)  
Accra/**Ghana** (Population: nearly 2.3 million)  
Yaoundé/**Cameroon** (Population: over 2.3 million)

Yours in Jesus



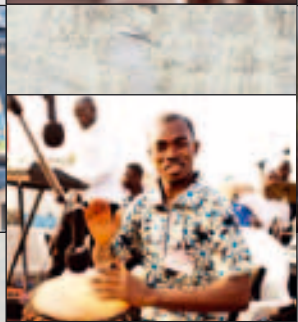
Daniel Kolenda  
Evangelist

Abidjan has grown in just 60 years from a population of 65,000 in 1950 to a vast urban area that is home to more than 4.3 million. Just under 6.8 million people live in the conurbation, which is therefore more densely populated than all of the West Midlands in the UK.





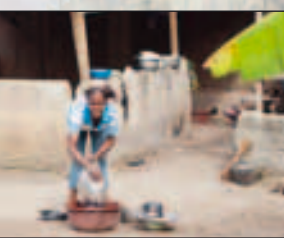
The city was only founded in 1886 and expanded rapidly from the 1930s due the construction of the port. In 1933 it was declared the capital of the French colony of Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast). ...



Fifty years later, the city of Yamoussoukro was designated the new capital but numerous government offices and embassies, the national library and the national museum are still located in Abidjan.



In 2001 the huge city was divided into 10 separate municipalities and now forms an independent district with its own Governor.



# to Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

# Countless miracles!



**Joy**  
**Zamble Lou Tahana suffered with an eye condition for a long time.** Two years ago her vision became blurred. She could not recognize faces and shortly after that lost her ability to see colors or even read. Her five children had to assist her with her daily chores, but at one stage she had to stay at home completely. As she was listening to one of the messages during the campaign, her vision suddenly returned and she realized that she could see perfectly again. Zamble was so overjoyed, she told all her neighbors.

On the first evening, this woman found herself **jumping for joy** because she could not contain her happiness. She had not been able to do this before, due to excruciating pain caused by **breast cancer.** She came to testify that Jesus had healed her.



This young woman very suddenly became **blind during her pregnancy** and was not able to see her newborn child. Because of her blindness, she wore dark glasses. But during the prayer for the sick on the second night, she could suddenly see again.



A **painful discharge** caused this woman great suffering. After prayer all pain was gone.



This man was in a **wheelchair for four years,** because he was lame. After prayer on the first night he was healed and got up out of the wheelchair.



On Thursday night this woman shared her touching testimony. **For 21 years she was not able to walk upright,** only being able to move leaning forward. On top of that, she was **deaf in one ear** due to bombings during the civil war two years earlier. **The Lord healed her from top to toe!**



**Delphine Yahmwew** lived with an unfaithful husband who also drank constantly. His drinking and infidelity created poverty in their home and health issues within Delphine's body. She had difficulty controlling her anger and stress, which eventually led to severe migraine headaches and ulcers. The stress and ulcers made it difficult for her to eat, resulting in weight loss and weakness. Her husband died which left the stress and bitterness unresolved but added grief and guilt. It was a potent combination that put her on her back more than on her feet. She was unable to provide for the two younger children at home and had to move in with her older brother for help.

She came to the crusade hoping for a touch from God. She found the ability to forgive her dead husband and release her bitterness. Delphine said she then experienced healing and relief from the constant migraines and ulcers. She was able to sleep and eat with no problems. She felt like a great weight was gone from her life and she thanks Jesus for His miracle in her life.

A WOMAN, WHO HAD BEEN LAME AND DUMB, WAS OVERWHELMED WITH EMOTION AND HER TEARS WERE FLOWING. HER STORY WAS SO TOUCHING, THAT EVEN DANIEL HAD TO FIGHT BACK HIS TEARS. THEN SHE SAID THAT SHE WAS A MUSLIM. UPON THE QUESTION WHO HAD HEALED HER, SHE SAID: "JESUS OF NAZARETH!"



In Abidjan the CfaN team saw many people healed who had been lame, crippled or could only walk with severe pain.

Happy

**“Sometimes the Holy Spirit cannot wait for us preachers to finish our boring sermons – He is bursting to do great things!”**

**Reinhard Bonnke**



**I**t was obvious already on the first night that the people were excited to come to the campaign. Over 85,000 people flooded the field on the first night. They received the message of the Gospel with such obvious joy that the noise was truly deafening. The blind were healed, the cripples walked, cancers disappeared. And best of all: Thousands responded to the call of salvation and accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. It was apparent that Jesus had prepared something truly unique for Abidjan.

On the second night, 145,000 were in attendance, when the head bishop leaned over to Daniel and said: “These are the biggest meetings we have ever seen.” Pastors, leaders and bishops were already calling this an historic event and a milestone for the nation. When people came forward to testify about their healings, the crowd started shouting: “Je-sus, Je-sus, Jesus!” It actually became difficult to hear the testimonies. All over the field shouts of joy erupted, as people were being healed. The level of faith was extraordinary – even in our experience over the years.

On the third evening the power of God swept across the field in an absolutely phenomenal way. So many lame and crippled people were healed, bringing their crutches and wheelchairs to the front, that there was no more room on the platform.

Many government officials and the former Prime Minister, who is now the “minister of reconciliation” (being in charge of helping restore peace after the civil war) attended. He thanked us for coming to Abidjan.

The Lord reminded Daniel of the scripture in 2 Corinthians 5:18-21: **“Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.”** What a glorious assignment!



The media reported on every evening meeting. Leading government officials came to receive prayer. The final evening is very difficult to describe. Even before Daniel got up to preach, wheelchairs, crutches, etc. were lifted up in the air all over the field. As more and more healings took place, the crowd erupted in excited shouts of joy, reaching fever pitch.

Blind, deaf and dumb people, lame and crippled people, and people with various other diseases were instantly healed. This reminds us of something evangelist Bonnke often says: "Sometimes the Holy Spirit cannot wait for us preachers to finish our boring sermons - He is bursting to do great things!" Now this amazing and historic event has come to a glorious end and we thank and praise our Lord Jesus for all He has done!

# A Spiritual Milestone



**18-year-old Elvis LeGrand Goue** was kidnapped during the past political agitations by rebels and forced into hard manual labor on a farm. There he developed severe back problems, which left him in constant pain. Then he saw the CfaN poster, advertizing the campaign.

On the second night, his cousin helped him to come to the meeting. There he heard about salvation through Jesus Christ, but he first wanted to see whether Jesus could also heal him. During the prayer for the sick, he felt a sensation in his body and tried to move carefully. He realized that the pain was gone and now he can even do sports again.



**For two years this woman could not walk.** Friends had laid her on a mat on the field. One of the ushers walking by during the prayer for the sick, asked her if she was listening to what the preacher was saying and that she should get up. She tried and could stand without difficulty and has been well ever since.



This man had **pain in his back for 2 years** and was only able to walk bent forward. Already on the first night he felt heat going down his back. Since then his pain is gone and he can stand and walk with his back straight.



For three years this young woman had been **dumb.** After prayer on the third night she was able to talk again.



40 years ago this man had an accident and was **not able to walk normally.** In 2005 he started using a cane as he became weaker. Since the prayer he is able to walk freely without his cane.



...and people brought to him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, ...and the paralyzed, and he healed them. Matthew 4:24



# Free to run

His neighbor carried him  
to the field, he was completely lame.  
After prayer on Thursday evening  
he could walk normally.



Since the birth of her fifth and last child 21 years ago, **Saouie Kouname Delphine suffered unbearable pain in both feet.** She was only able to walk for a few minutes at a time. Doctors recommended an operation, removing part of a bone that was supposedly pressing down on a nerve. After the operation things became worse, her feet felt as though they were on fire. The CfaN Gospel Campaign became her last hope. Her son and daughter brought her to the field, where the 67-year-old woman prayed: **“Lord help me as you have helped blind Bartimaeus and the woman with the issue of blood.”** Suddenly she could get up without help and free of pain, coming forward immediately to testify what the Lord had done.



This young man had an accident in August 2012. At first he was not able to walk at all; later he was able to **move around with crutches.** Since the prayer he can walk normally without any assistance.



For 20 years this woman could **only walk on crutches** due to severe pain in her lumbar region. The Lord touched her and she can walk freely again.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2013 Season

**STADION EVENT** **with Outreach!**  
24-25 May  
in Freiburg/**GERMANY**  
with Daniel Kolenda  
(Registration required, [www.cgfr.de](http://www.cgfr.de))

**GREAT GOSPEL CAMPAIGNS**  
6-9 June  
Nairobi/**KENYA**  
24-28 July  
Dar es Salaam, **TANZANIA**

All dates are listed at [www.cfan.eu](http://www.cfan.eu)

## Did you know?

... that the average cost of one CfaN Gospel Campaign in Africa amounts to 800,000€?

... that evangelist Reinhard Bonnke has preached to 1.6 million people in one single meeting?

... that evangelist Daniel Kolenda has led more than 10 million people to Christ world-wide?

... that since the year 2000 more than 62 million people have received Jesus as their Lord and Savior and have documented this by filling in a decision card?

... that more than 200 million copies of Reinhard Bonnkes books have been published in 138 languages?

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# Spiritual input *for you!*

## THE CHURCH WAS NEVER CONSTRUCTED FOR DEFENSIVE PURPOSES

*T*he devil is as a roaring lion, we read, which reminds me of the roaring lion that crouched to devour Samson. Samson met this young predator on his way to Timnah (Judges 14:5-6). The lion did not know Samson, the anointed judge of Israel. It had the surprise of its life – its last surprise, as it happened. A lion's snarl usually terrifies human beings, and they turn and run. Then they are easily pounced upon and caught. But when Samson heard the snarls, something happened about which the lion knew nothing: "The Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon him."

**When the Spirit of the Lord comes upon men, new things begin to happen.** People begin to resist the devil, and he flees from them. Are you timid? By the Spirit, you shall be bold. We are like sheep among wolves, but the sheep are on the attack. We have power to tread upon scorpions, to walk the stormy waves. Experiencing the Spirit makes us more than a match for doubt and intellect. When we live in Him, we possess authority, put demons to flight and bring deliverance for body, soul, and spirit.

So Samson, the lion's intended victim, did not flee. Chasing fleeing victims gives lions an appetite for breakfast. However, this man turned on the lion. The ferocious beast found itself facing a ferocious man. Snarling over his shoulder, the lion tried to slink off, but it was too late. Mighty hands lifted him. Later, his carcass became a beehive. Samson, with his bare hands, "tore the lion apart as one would have torn apart a young goat."

The church was never constructed for defensive purposes. **The gates of hell should be invaded.** Offense is the best defense. Instead of waiting to ward off the devil's onslaught, turn the tide of battle, and launch an invasion of the devil's territory! Jesus Christ is Lord!

*Reinhard Bonnke*



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