



# Dunn's Do'ins Congo MPH Mission



## Back Home Again

It's been fun. It's been real. And it's even been real fun. We have had a good time relaxing and decompressing. We have been blessed to see many of our family and friends. Even though we have been in the States four months, we didn't get a chance to see everyone. But we are grateful to the folks we did see for making time for us. It is very interesting that, though we feel like we live two lives, one in Congo and one in the US, this trip has been sprinkled with people from both lives. It almost makes us feel a sense of normalcy. Also, because we have been staying alone in Cindy's dad's house, we have even had plenty of time with just the two of us. Something we don't get at the guesthouse. As our time in the US draws to a close, we look back to see where the time went.

In July, we began our furlough with a wonderful memorial to Cindy's dad who passed earlier in March. It was such a beautiful time with people whose lives were touched by this unselfish man whom we called Dad. Many of the attendees traveled many miles to share their love and stories with our family. Then later in July, we traveled to Kentucky to a friend's wedding. As with all TASOK alumni events, any gathering of two or more constitutes a class reunion. This one spanned decades of classes.

August was mostly spent close to our home base in Chesapeake VA. Clay spent a lot of the month working with Cindy's brother. It was very nice working with the correct tools, in English, knowing that a hardware store was always within a ten-minute drive containing all the supplies that would be necessary to complete the tasks. We also were able to spend time with friends at the beach, playing miniature golf, and going to movies. Clay spent several hours at the golf driving range and on the golf course! (though not as much as he would have liked)

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In September, we went to the annual gathering of past and current Congo missionaries, which is

held in Montreat, NC. Another blending of both sides of our lives, as many of these folks are guests that pass through MPH. Aside from our home church, a lot of our support comes from the folks attending this reunion. Such a nice time being able to share with them what their support means to our ministry. These folks inspire us to continue and not tire in what we are doing in at the MPH Guesthouse. Such a reinforcement that we are making a difference for the Kingdom by allowing God to use us as His servants in Congo.

“Hey, it's good to be back  
home again  
Sometimes this old farm feels  
like a long lost friend  
Yes, 'n, hey it's good to be  
back home again”  
John Denver

Also in September, we were able to travel to Wisconsin to visit with Clay's older brother and sister. We took an overnight trip to northern WI to see a couple of aunts. While in the North, we reunited with some of MPH guests living close by.

As October rolled around we began to focus on what we needed to complete before our return to Congo. Doctors' appointments were wrapped up to determine that we were healthy enough to travel and continue our ministry. Absentee voting, as is our civic privilege. Last minute shopping for the things that we just can't get, or afford, in Kinshasa. Setting up online banking, bill pay, direct deposits, e-billing, etc.

All in all, our trip was very restful and productive. There are several things on our “while in the US” to-do list that we didn't get checked off, but we are ready to return to our “home” in Kinshasa and get back to the ministry to which we are called.

It is very hard for us to fully express the gratitude we have for our supporters who faithfully pray for us and those who share their finances so that we may continue to serve at the MPH Guesthouse. It is humbling to know that you love us and believe in what we are doing for our guests who come to Congo to serve the Congolese people. Please feel free to send us emails, or contact us on Facebook, to let us know that you are thinking of us. Thank you!

### PRAYER POINTS

- Elections in Congo (which have been postponed until Apr 2018)
  - Dec 19 2016 is current president's final legal day in office
  - Interim government, if necessary
  - Safety for the population if unrest ensues
- Traveling 28-29 Oct, luggage arrival, on-time flights, hassle free customs
- Continued, and increased, financial support
- Our continued health, safety, and well being