Dear Bread For Life Friends,

This is an exciting and challenging time in Africa! Even as Muslim extremists strive to dominate areas in the north, Cameroon is seeing renewed Christian activity and growth. Many are hearing the Gospel for the first time and responding.

This year, Bread For Life will focus on developing a self-sustaining model through the agricultural part of our ministry. Our goal is to become less dependent on outside sources of financial support. This can only happen as we develop domestic sources of funding. We have negotiated three large pieces of land in the town of Dimako, Tombel and the village of Muambong and we are in the process of compensating for the use of the Dimako land where we have started an experimental farm.

Although the response from local farmers has been robust, we need to develop sustainable sources in order to increase the number of our outreaches in other communities. Developing these pieces of land will help us reach our goal towards financial independence within the country and probably beyond.

As many of you know, Bread For Life held a mission banquet in Florida last year. The event was a celebration of what God is doing in Africa. We enjoyed an authentic Cameroonian meal, heard inspiring speakers and participated in a silent auction of African craft items.

This year, we will be holding our banquet in Farmington, Missouri, just south of Saint Louis. An announcement is enclosed. We hope you will consider attending or supporting this event in prayer and with finances, too. All proceeds will go towards our agricultural efforts.

We are trusting God to provide through this event for us to be able to compensate the village and villagers for the piece of land in Dimako, pay all government taxes and acquire the deed for the land to avoid any kind of problem in the future. $15,000 is needed to cover all expenses related to acquiring the land. The village and government have already given us a go ahead to start developing the land and Godlove Nsuli, our agricultural engineer, has relocated to Dimako.

We ask that you prayerfully give whatever you are able to help us realize this dream of paying for the Dimako piece of land by mid-May, 2013.

Thank you for being a part of what God is doing through BFL.

Gratefully,

Steve Langton                         Ernest Ehabe
Board Chairman                     Executive Director
Our Agricultural Ministries have a four pronged objective:

1. Spiritual: To have a spiritual impact in the communities we serve through personal relationships and evangelistic activities.
2. Nutritional: Ameliorate food supply to the population, increase food variety, and ensure a balanced diet.
3. Socio-cultural: To revitalize agricultural activities in rural communities and create jobs opportunities among the jobless, thus preventing rural exodus. To help bring modern agricultural techniques to rural farmers and especially young people.
4. Economic: Help generate funds to meet ministry objectives.

“I am delighted to comment about the impacting work of Bread For Life. Their practical integration of agricultural training with the message of the gospel is very innovative. Farmers in our local community do not only learn sustainable techniques in agriculture, but also have the opportunity to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ. BFL’s trained team of agricultural evangelists carry a hoe for physical seed on one hand and the bible for spiritual seed on the other hand, a wonderful combination. Local farmers have testified increase in their yields as a result of this ministry…”

-Rev. Daniel Mbiwan, President
Full Gospel Mission Cameroon.

Despite the merits of the dual functions of its vision, Bread For Life ministry does not yet receive the material support it need in their crusade to implement the lofty ideals of ‘Agricultural Evangelism.’ This vision deserves the total support of those of us committed to the cause of the Great Commission of our Lord.”

-Prof Beban Chumbow, PhD
Former President of the University of Yaoundé

Immediate needs for Dimko Agricultural Base:

- **$15,000** to compensate the village and villagers of Dimako for land, pay government taxes and process the deed (title) for the land. This will save us from future land dispute issues which have a way of resurfacing when a project is up and running.

- **A pickup truck** to brave our roads and to be used by staff in hauling smaller items (preferably a Toyota or similar size, 4WD).

- **Monthly support** so more Agricultural Engineers are brought on BFL staff to increase the effectiveness of our rural outreaches (average monthly stipend for each staff range from $200 to $600 a month depending on their education and family size).

- **Bobtail truck** to be used to transport produce from farm to market. This truck can also be used to carry evangelistic crusade and outreach equipment to various areas and as a stage during evangelistic outreaches and mass training rallies.

- **Short and long term volunteers** to come serve alongside our agricultural team to provide encouragement, mentoring and to share knowledge and pass on skills.