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The Cox Newsletter

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Most Asked Questions About Going to Africa

6. Where are you going? Parakou, Benin, West Africa. Benin is a small French speaking country, about the size of Pennsylvania, west of Nigeria. Parakou is the third largest city in Benin.

5. What will you do? Trans World Radio (TWR) is building a 100,000-watt AM transmitter (which is a big transmitter) by Parakou. It will have the potential to reach 194.5 million people, of which 45.5 million have never heard the gospel. Paul will be the site engineer in Benin as well as the regional engineer in West Africa for Trans World Radio. Donna will be teaching at the Parakou Christian School that is run by Serving In Mission. This is where our kids will attend school.

4. Who is TWR? TWR is an international Christian broadcaster, who has 14 major transmitting sites (soon to be 15 once the Benin transmitter is complete) throughout the world. TWR's goal is to assist the church, proclaim the gospel and instruct believers in biblical doctrine.

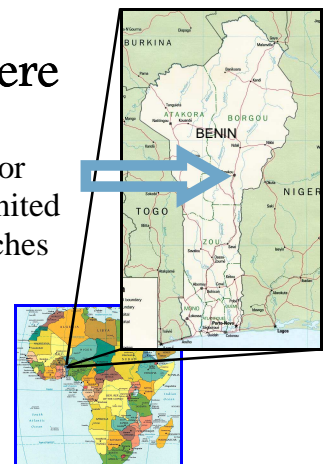
3. When do you leave? Lord willing we will leave March 1, 2006.

2. Why are you going to Africa when there are needs here in the United States? It is the desire of our hearts to see God glorified throughout the world and in our lives. To that end, we want our lives to be used for His sake wherever He leads us. We know that there are many real needs in the United States. We also know that there are many people, resources, ministries and churches here to help those needs. That is not the case in many other parts of the world.

And the number one question is...

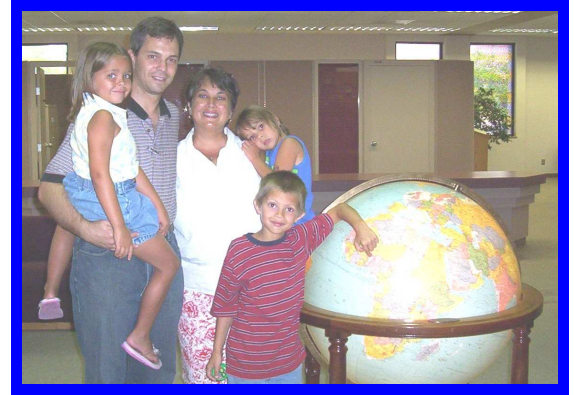
1. How can I be involved with you and TWR?

First we would covet your prayers as we return to Africa. Second, being away from family and friends can be difficult; hence, notes and emails are helpful and encouraging. Third, there is an opportunity for you to be financially involved with our ministry in Africa. We need approximately \$20,000 to cover outgoing expenses (airline tickets, shipping, initial start-up cost, vehicle, etc...) and \$5,000 per month for living and ministry expenses. If you wish to partner with us in any of these areas please respond with the enclosed pledge card.



Other Frequently Asked Questions

How long will you be In Africa? We are making a career commitment to TWR, in other words we will be missionaries with TWR until God moves us somewhere else. Missionaries with TWR normally serve a three-year term and then take a four-month furlough in the U.S. before returning for another term.



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How long have you been involved with TWR?

From 1999 to 2001 we worked with TWR in Swaziland. Paul worked as a studio and transmitter engineer. Donna worked with TWR hosting and facilitated Sunday School workshops for numerous churches. Leaving TWR to return to seminary was one of the hardest choices we have ever made, as we loved the ministry. Now that Paul is almost finished with seminary, we will be returning with Trans World Radio.

Why seminary if you are going to be an engineer? While we were in Swaziland we were astonished at the spiritual needs that presented themselves at our door. We were continually crying out to God to give us wisdom and to help us with the spiritual needs of those around us. This “unofficial” ministry made us aware that Paul needed more training in discipleship, counseling and being accurate with God’s Word. We are not completely sure how God is going to use the seminary training but we are discussing this avenue with TWR.

How safe is it? We know that the best place to be is where God wants us. However, Benin is a stable democracy. The greatest danger is carjackings, which is a regular occurrence in West Africa.

From Dallas to Benin To Do List:

- ❑ **Complete Thesis** (First two chapters done, three more to go.)
- ❑ **Sell House** (Home listed and on the market. The kids have the rapid pickup and leave technique perfected.)
- ❑ **Finish Seminary** (Only 14 more hours, Lord willing will finish in January.)
- ❑ **Pack** (When house sells pack items that are staying in storage and move in with Donna’s parents until time to leave.)
- ❑ **Raise Support** (Supporters are currently reading first letter from TWR for support☺)

How to Contact the Coxes

Given that the Coxes house is on the market to be sold, email and cell phones are the best way to stay in touch.

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972 898-1425 Donna’s cell

Address changes and support should be sent to: Trans World Radio; P.O. Box 8700; Cary, NC 27512-8700. Please insure that Paul & Donna Cox is on the memo line of the check