



June 2018

ALESSANDRO & CHANTAL PARRILLO

among the Konyagi of West Africa

We arrived in Dakar, Senegal a week ago. After having spent five months with us, Chantal's parents returned to Canada. We are so thankful for the time they were here and for their help, which was invaluable in allowing us to progress in language study.



Our last weeks in the village were busy. We continued to progress well in our language sessions and were encouraged by our growing relationships with our neighbors. Chantal hurt her back (while trying to help a lady remove the cement well cover), which complicated things as we prepared to leave. Thankfully, she's doing much better now but pray for her as she's often dealing with back pain.

In the village, we have a Konyagi host family. The father of this family is the one who gave us the land to build our house. About a month ago, he died in a biking accident. It was such a shock for all of us and it makes us realize how precious our time is.



our host father and his sons



Box 707
Durham ON N0G 1R0
ethnos.ca

Alessandro & Chantal Parrillo
alessandro.parrillo@gmail.com
chantalparrillo@ethnos.ca

With it being the end of the dry season, several wells have gone dry, including that of our co-workers and also the one where my parents were living. We are so thankful for our drilled well, which has provided us with plenty of water! Thank you again to those of you who prayed and gave towards that!

Saturday, Alessandro is going back to Guinea to bring back our vehicle. Since our vehicle is Guinean, it cannot stay long-term in Senegal while we're gone. He plans to come back with some co-workers. Chantal and the kids will stay at the guesthouse in Dakar during that time.

Next week, the Konyagi missionary team will be meeting with leadership to discuss the church-planting work among the Konyagi. Pray that it will be helpful and pray for wisdom in decisions to be made.

We are still quite tired after the hot months in the village and there are so many things to think about and organize, both here in Senegal and for our time in Canada. We appreciate your prayers for us! In the next few weeks and months, we'll be traveling a lot, going to many new places, meeting with many people. Pray for us and for the children in all of these transitions.

**Thank you for being part of our team
and for praying for us!!**

Here are some things we would like to borrow or buy for our stay in Canada, from early August to early February:

- child car seats that meet requirements and are not expired; one for a 10 kg child and one for a 17 kg child
 - 2 single mattresses
 - a vehicle
-

