



Words to live by:

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Rom.
15:13**



Birthdays:



- Aug. 11 Dr. Tom Olewe
- Aug. 14 Dr. Erol Rene
- Aug. 17 Char Feikema
- Aug. 19 Dr. Jose Luis Guerrero

**# Telling
Number:**

45

wheelchairs were handed out on a recent distribution in China. Nine individuals made the decision to give their lives to Christ.



Dr. Wrede Vogel retired from the Luke Society after 22 years as the executive director on Aug. 1.

Vogel thankful for worldwide impact of GAP

By Dr. Wrede Vogel

A month ago, I had the joy of meeting with eight Luke Society directors in Bamako, Mali. We prayed together, told stories and sang. It was a last opportunity for me to see them face to face and thank them for their service.

They also wanted to say farewell to me. They shared what they appreciated about being part of the Luke Society, and the word "family" was used by all of them. They appreciate that the Luke Society does not view them as a "project" or a "cause". We view them as fellow servants for the Kingdom of God. We are fellow members of the Body of Christ.

They know about you, the GAP prayer warriors, who are committed to pray for them regularly. That is deeply meaningful to them and a great encouragement. It adds to the sense of belonging to a broader community.

When I first interview a potential director, I try to communicate that sense of community and family they would join if and when they become a Luke Society director. That sense of family only comes with time, visits and going through shared joys and struggles.

But telling them about you, the GAP warriors, probably has the greatest impact of explaining the family to which they are joining. Thank you for being part of this family!

