

Trevor Yoakum

In our missions prayer time today, let's go to Africa — to Togo, West Africa. Let's pray for Trevor Yoakum. He teaches pastors at the West African Baptist Theological Seminary in Lomé, the capital city. Trevor teaches what he calls practical theology. That's because many of the pastors he teaches are new Christians with little understanding of the Bible or church leadership.

In one lesson, he taught that a preacher must preach what the Bible teaches, not what the preacher may think. That would seem normal to us in American churches. But in Togo, it was a new idea. After a few months of teaching basic ideas such as these, one pastor said the churches were stronger, more Bible-based — and the pastors were preaching more powerful sermons.

Friends, our church supports Trevor through our Cooperative Program giving. His ministry is so important. The pastors he is teaching will lead the churches of Togo for many years to come. Let's pray for Trevor, our missionary, now.

