Farm News from Nigeria

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"Farming can be slow," Erin Duerr says. But, she has been pleasantly surprised by the farm's progress. They are achieving abundant yields beyond what she imagined and are able to not only be self-sustaining but have produce to sell at market to support the ministry.

In our latest video update, she shares about the exciting progress and the challenges. It's harvest season, so they're busy gathering crops like red and white maize, soybeans, and rice. A short-term missionary from England is lending a hand in building a new greenhouse, which means they'll be able to grow tomatoes year-round. Food prices have nearly doubled since she arrived in Nigeria, and every center is working hard to be self-sustaining. Erin's getting more comfortable with the language too, holding full conversations in Hausa with her tutor. God has also provided friends among her colleagues, including a family whose kids call her "Auntie Giggles." Despite the difficulties, and maybe in part because of them, she's also deepening her relationship with God. He has been her shepherd and counselor through all of the challenges.

How can we pray for Erin? It seems she's living out what Jesus said about the need for workers when the harvest is abundant. Please pray for a farm manager and for wisdom to create a 5-year plan to turn dreams into actionable goals. Thank God for all he has already provided, including a German missionary with expertise in animal husbandry who is coming in January to lend a hand with breeding and some new pigs.

Erin feels blessed by God's faithfulness, the love from her supporters, and her own growth through these experiences. She's excited for a visit home at the end of March and will hopefully be able to join us for Missions Week!