

2nd work report
(August 6th, 2021 to September 6th, 2021)

**on the construction of one building holding 3 classrooms, office, storage and toilets
for the public primary school of Gbodjoko
District of Zinvié
municipality of Abomey-Calavi
Republic of Benin**

After work on the building is finished, the walls must dry for at least 2 weeks before the roof can be put on. In Gbodjoko, too, with the completion of the masonry, there was a pause that the people of Gbodjoko used to dig the toilet pit. However, due to the heavy rains in the rainy season this year, the walls required more time to dry. The rain also made it more difficult to dig the toilet pit.



We buy the materials for the roof. We find roofing sheets of good quality in Cotonou which are transported to Gbodjoko.



We buy the ebony timbers for the roof truss in Calavi. Here they are also cut and planed. In contrast to the projects in the north, the timbers are very expensive here in the south. With a lot of negotiation, we can get them at an affordable price. Since the owner of the sawmill is ill, we have to wait for our planks to be cut.

Sometimes life writes a different time schedule than we have planed out. Since we are used to unforeseen changes, we adapt quickly and gather strength to continue the work.

Sincerely from Benin
Astrid Toda