

DATTCO School Buses being readied for Kafanchan, Nigeria!



Buses we are purchasing from DATTCO, Inc in New Britain, CT

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In October of 2018, Elaine and I hosted Bishop Markus Dogo and his wife Nana at our home. During our time together, we had many conversations, but one in particular touched my heart. Bishop was talking about how stressful it was for the parents of the students within his diocesan schools to transport their children daily. He spoke of the need for buses to ease this stress. I asked him how they would fund a venture like this. Bishop vowed to raise the money, believing that parents would be willing to pay extra for bus transportation if he provided it. Having recently retired from DATTCO bus company, I pledged to get buses when he raised the funds needed. About six months ago Bishop told me he was ready—so I started looking. Covid-19 put a hold on this project but we are now ready to move forward. I am grateful to DATTCO for their assistance and support in locating and securing the two buses shown.



Shipping Barrels in Buses...

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For the past several years, Elaine has collected used books and school supplies for the schools that AEP is connected with in Nigeria. Each year, a trip to the Bronx has been made with our car packed with books which usually resulted in two full barrels of books and school supplies at a cost of \$250 per barrel.

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So, how can you help? Elaine and I have the equivalent of twenty barrels of books and supplies in our garage. While we would love to have our garage back, it is far more important to get these items to the schools in Nigeria so the teachers have materials to teach children. Our plan is to load the barrels in the buses and fill them. **We need \$5000 to ship these books and supplies in the buses. And yes, the \$5000 price tag includes the shipping for the buses!** We need your help today! After loading the supplies into the barrels, the buses will be driven to the New York port for shipping overseas. **Sponsor a barrel for \$250**—or a portion of barrel—any amount is welcome to help us meet our goal. Your help will provide educational supplies for teachers and transportation to school for children. We challenge our friends and family to help us reach this goal.



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