



Mission «Evaluation» February 2017 - Meyak

Dear members and sympathizers,

As planned, the Evaluation Mission organized by the Executive Office visited Cameroon from January 30 to February 14, 2017.

The objectives of this Mission in accordance with our project methodology were to collect all the information needed to establish the most complete diagnosis possible to qualify and quantify the needs of the populations.

Interview needs, requests and identify resources available in each village.



Meeting with the villagers of Meyak

Pascal and Jean-Philippe worked on writing the three questionnaires.

- A statistical questionnaire of villages, populations, administrative organization, water, education, agriculture, etc ...

- A village questionnaire addressed to three types of population of each village, women, men and young people, to identify their lifestyle in the village.

- A third technical questionnaire, on water sources, sinks, practices, the enumeration of sources, their geographical location and GPS etc.

On return, the interpretation of all the information collected will allow us to precisely define the contours of the village-by-village program.

This will allow us soon to quantify the needs, the costs and thus to move towards the file for the donors.



1 pocket = the questionnaires of a village



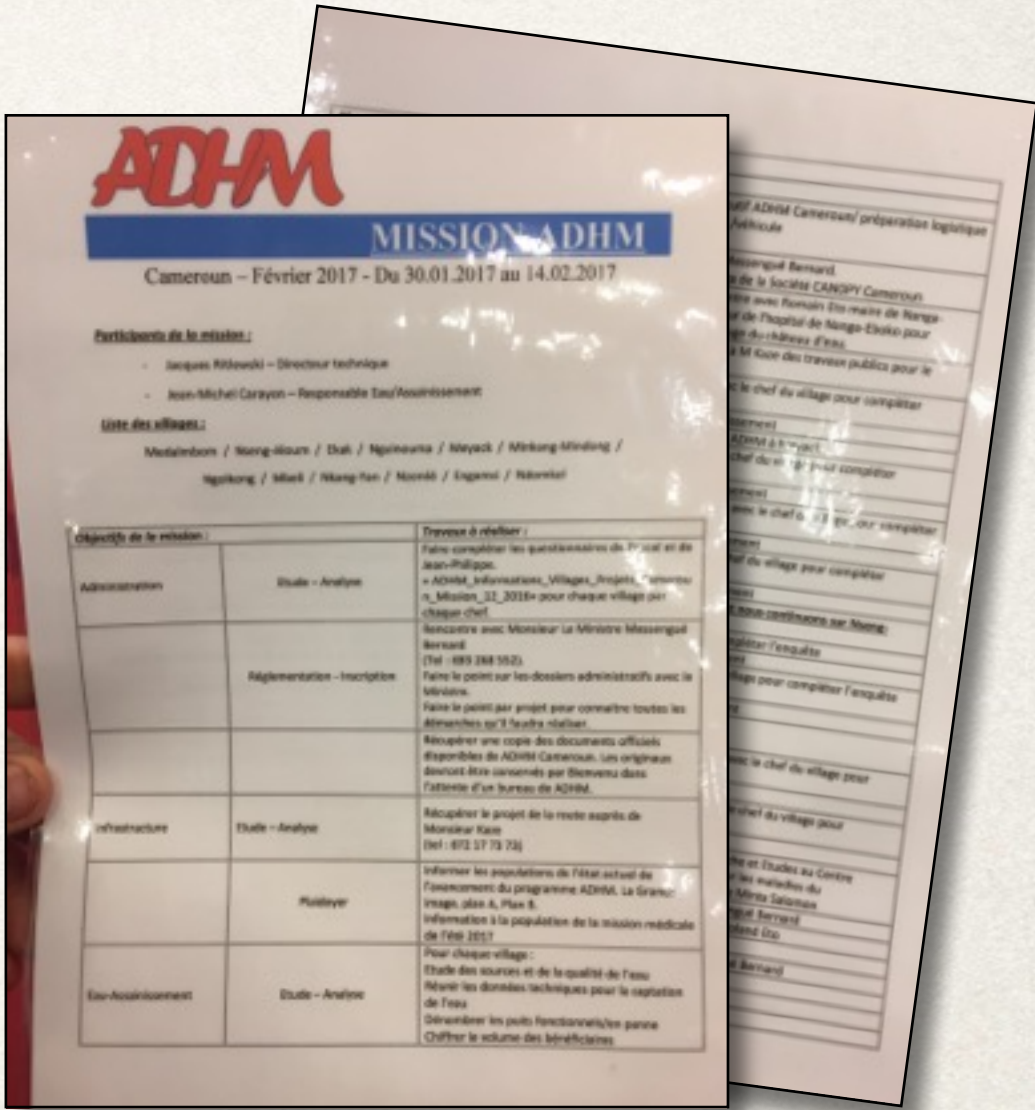
Preparation of the mission in Yaoundé



Car breakdown the first day



Installation of the first water filter



Mission Planning "Evaluation 2017"

*To make you live closer to our journey, I chose to resume the lines of the mission report.
Jean-Michel Carayon is our Water and Agriculture Manager ADHM.
I'm leaving as a chef de mission.*

Objectives: to meet the populations of the 12 villages, to present them the progress of the program, to present the committed members, the plans of the buildings, to work with them on the validation of the projects, to make them actors of their future development.

-After a great flight, arrived Monday, January 30 in the evening in Yaounde, we are received by Ruben on the descent of the aircraft with ease of reception, which allows us to quickly pass the controls.

-Arrived at Jeannette and after a good meal, we start a first meeting of contact recovery that will last until midnight. Presentation of each other: Bienvenu, Ruben and Papi are present. Discount computers in Ruben and Papi, Smartphone in Ruben, plus solar charger. Discount Smartphone to Jeanette and Papi.



Meeting with ADHM Cameroon office



At Jeanette's, no time to make the bed



*J-M starts discussions on
Jeanette's well*



*Well, 3 weeks
later*



*The well, dug and
bushed.*



The living-dining room

I am listing the latest orientations, actions and decisions taken since our previous stay in Cameroon.

Presentation of the mission planning, presentation of the newsletter and building plans. Plan A and Plan B to follow in concert; expertise in each village of the priorities with the will of not forgetting nobody and the consideration that, to convince the donors, it is essential to start as soon as possible the pilot project of Meyak.



Jean-Michel goes to the suppliers to take the prices of the materials.

Meyak



Understanding formats

-Tuesday 31st January meeting around breakfast at 9am, organization of the schedule of the day, phone calls to the village chiefs to inform them of our arrival, meeting with the Minister Messengué and with Canopie a supplier of photovoltaic equipment.

During our interview, the Minister expresses his enthusiasm for our project and gratefully acknowledges the need for such a program for the people.

After 45 minutes we greet each other warmly, promising to keep him informed as requested.

-February 02, departure on Nanga Eboko: at 9am Jean Michel takes the steering wheel from Yaoundé, Nkoteng to Nkoteng. The paved road is good. After, it's the track: it is so bad, we wonder what it will be in the rainy season, during the 2017 health mission. Arriving at Nanga Eboko we head straight after Guinda, to retrieve the document creating the road between Ndomkol and Meyak, which Mr Kaze, the head of the delegation, has prepared for us.



*At the Minister Messengué
for presentation of the ADHM Program*



*The car is repaired:
departure for Nanga-Eboko*



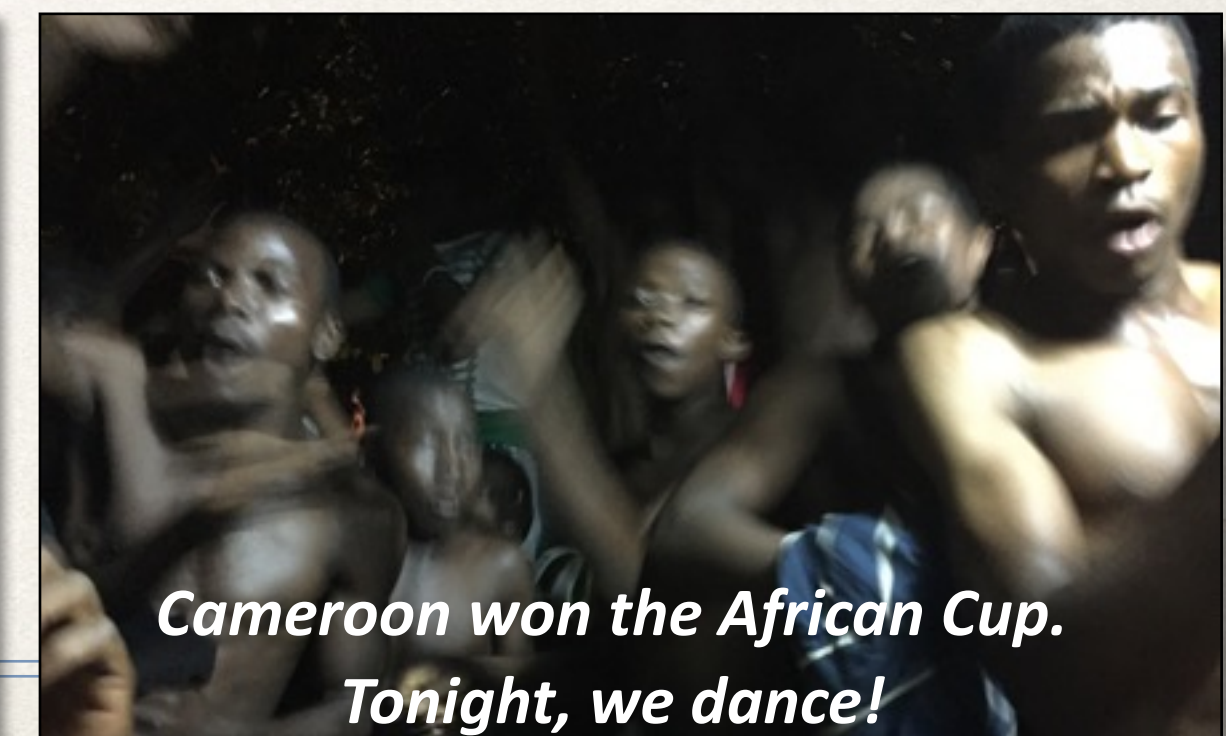
At CANOPY Solar in Yaoundé



*Recovery of the record of the road to
Nanga-Eboko*



*Visit of the hospital with Romain Eto
the mayor of Nanga-Eboko*



*Cameroon won the African Cup.
Tonight, we dance!*



Interview of the Director of the hospital from Nanga-Eboko



Interview of the Mayor of Nanga-Eboko



"Water" inspection at the hospital by J-M



The water tower does not work anymore for several years...



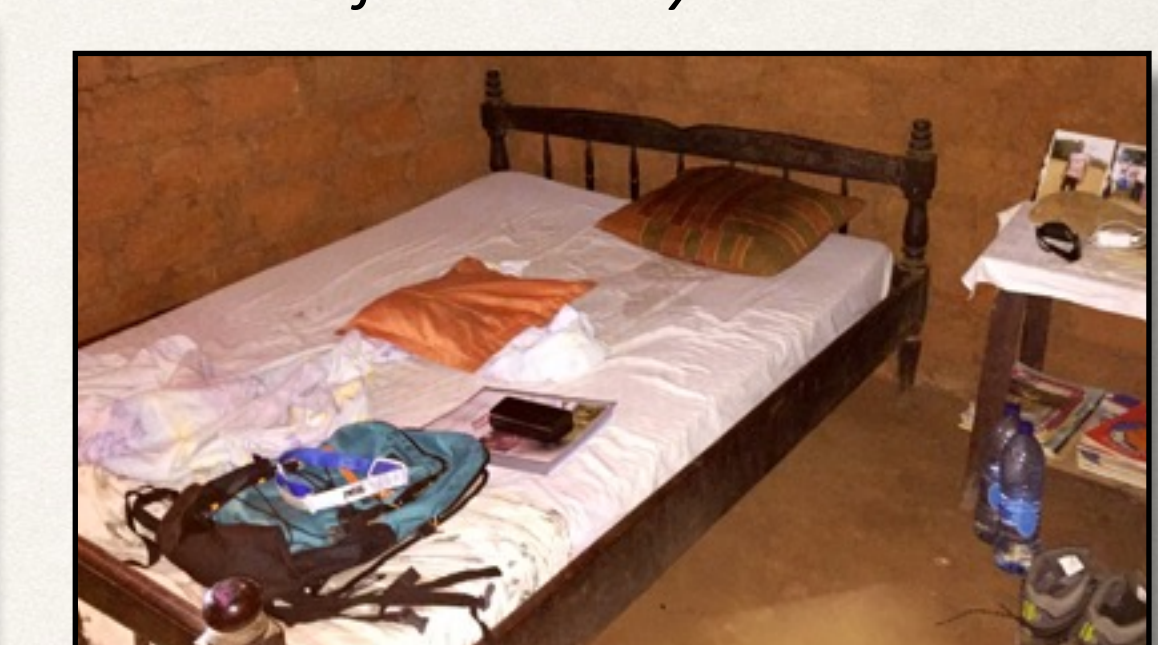
On the way to Méyak .. puncture!



The track before Medalmbom



Arrival in Méyak, reception of the villagers



Bed and breakfast in Meyack.



In each of the 12 villages, presentation of the ADHM program, explanation of the surveys and presentation of the questionnaires.



The villagers fill

Saturday February 4th:

After a great good night's rest, a good breakfast, coffee, brioche bread, omelette, I give a phone to Jean-Pierre, two ADHM jerseys with smiles and thanks. From 9am, we start the meeting with the notables and the villagers, under the community shed.

Presentation by Jean-Michel, then a reminder of the big picture ADHM, progress report, plans of the buildings, exhibition of Plan A and Plan B, setting up as soon as possible the pilot project Meyak, applause, shouts of joy, thanks .

In the exchanges concerning the projects, Jean-Pierre asks us to modify the plans of the sanitary block as well as the community center and we take note.

Advocate for the importance of the mission and the full participation of the population in completing all the questionnaires. A men's leader, a women's leader and a youth leader complete the questionnaires in Ruben's reading harmony.

Jean Michel leaves with two young people for the inspection of the source. On site, he gives his recommendations and the orientation of the work to be done, then second water point, the river, crossing the swamps, separating the three quarters of the fourth, finally, inspection of the three present wells.



Jean-Michel makes the presentation on the issues of water.



Exchanges with the villagers



Presentation of building projects



Morning meal



Initiation of Albert the rehabilitation of sources

Sunday, February 5: Departure for Emgamsi around 11am, three on the bike of Jean-de-Dieu: 1 hour cross in the savannah, with several stops to blow, the spine and buttocks in bulk! We arrive in a village, which we take for Emgamsi, which is a Bororo shepherds encampment on the edge of a swamp. We get off the bike to follow Jean-Pierre the chief of Meyak, Ruben, Papi and Jean-de-Dieu.

We walk another hour and arrive at Emgamsi where we are welcomed by the whole village. Jean-Michel is the first white man to enter the village.

After presentation of the program, etc. etc., Ruben and Jean-Pierre make the investigation while Jean-Michel goes down to the backwater to make the expertise of the water point. Jean-Michel, after asking the questions to the villagers present, gives a notice and his recommendations: the water point is good and abundant ...

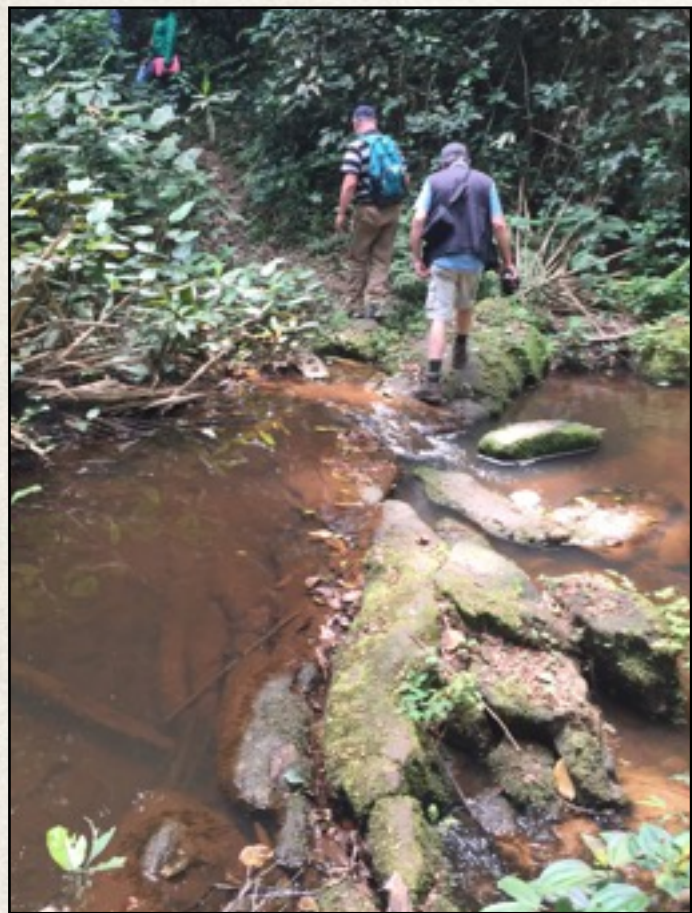
We go back to the village, where we feast with the villagers of cassava, porcupine, antelope makabo, etc., a meal of kings, on which the women start to dance, accompanied by two tamtams and balafon. Moments that are engraved in our memories.



Start for Engamsi



On the way Engamsi



Walking...



Walking...



The source of Engamsi





les Marécages



Monday, February 6th: departure for Nkang-Yan while passing by Nzemplé at 10h30 always, with the same mount, (the bike of Jean-de-Dieu) and always with three above ...

Around 11 o'clock, we put the motorcycles at the entrance of the swamps and continue towards Nkang-Yan, "by the West face", which we had never tried, and which passes by Nzemplé.

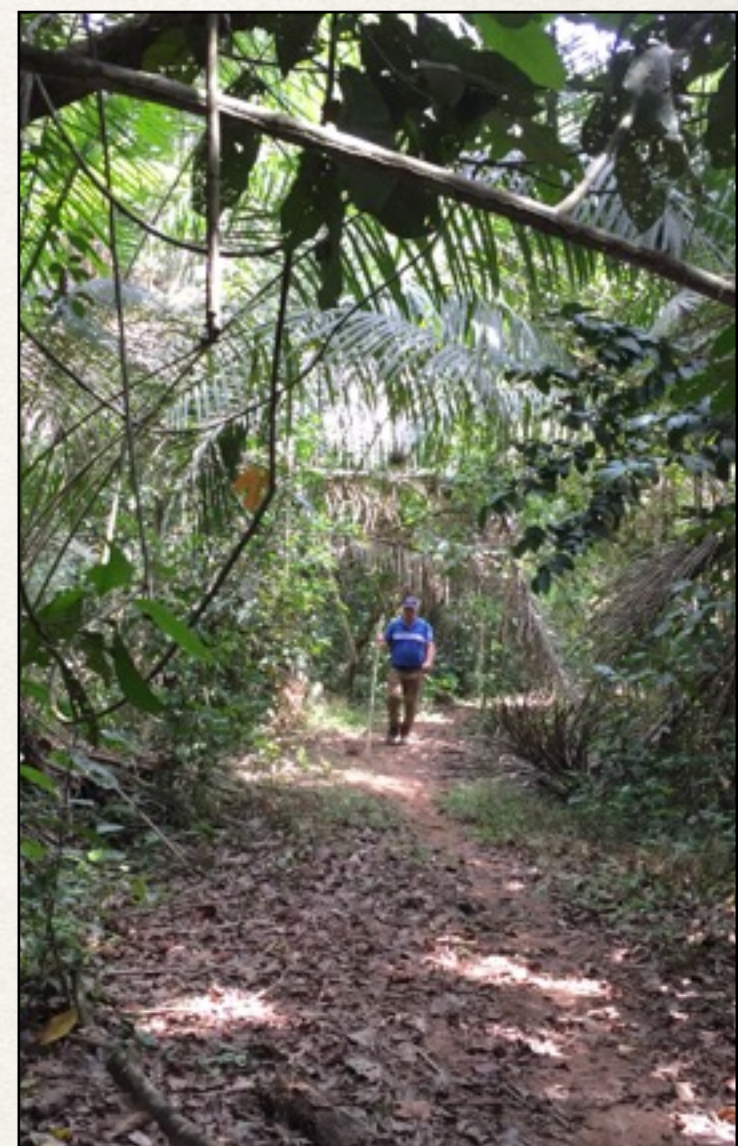
At the entrance of the marshes, a stick of 2.50 m is given to facilitate our progress on the palms and other woods placed in water and mud, and allow us to move forward.

We duck into the forest, then start climbing a steep hill, described by Ruben as the bulwark against the tribes' attacks in the past. The village of Nzemle, being located in the center of the plateau, where we arrive at 11:50, under a blazing sun, it is at least 35 ° C, without a bit of wind. It's the savannah: so no tree, under which to find a little comfort!

We go to the site of what remains of Nzemplé: another swamp and a last climb on Nkang-Yan and here is the house of Pascal "the last trapper." Further, Aunt Marie is waiting for us in her new house. We begin our investigation, then Jean-Michel in me leave towards the water points, some 200 m lower in withdrawal, a well, which, explains us Pascal, already existed of the time of his parents: he prefers the water swamp located in its path, although dirty!



Walk in the savannah



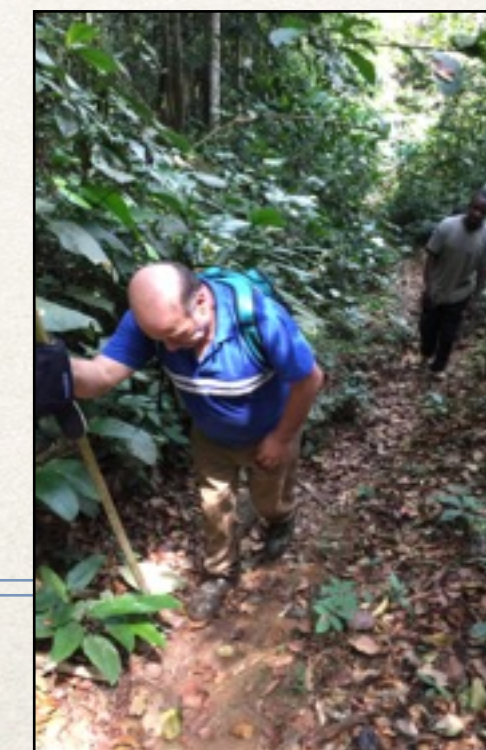
In the forest...



Arrival in Nkang-Yan



Aunt Marie's house



The climb to Nkang-Yan

There are still 8 days of adventures to tell you but I come to the 10th page!
It is not possible to add more, yet every day is a library of stories ...
the adage that an image is better than a thousand words ... here are some ...



*The last trapper
from Nkang-Yan*



The source of Minkang-Midong



The ancient Minkang-Midong Well



The second source of Mbeli



Meyak's bathroom



The first source of Mbeli



Presentation and exchanges



*The example of the source
from Nguinouma*



The climb to Nkang-Yan



Explanations on the issues



*Why
we must rehabilitate the sources*

For information we are looking for a Webmaster to remake the site adhm.fr and make it live.

To finish the presentation of this Newsletter N ° 2, it is important to understand that, after having carried out this evaluation mission, we are in the phase of decryption of the information collected.

We are also working on the costing of each project.

Following all this work we will be able to present the program to the funders.

*Pascal, Georges and Jean-Philippe join me
to thank you for your interest and commitment to the ADHM program. For the ADHM office:*

Jacques Ritlewski

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***Main objectives of the Mission:
Water expertise and field surveys.***

