

## All American Citizens were invited for a Grand July 4<sup>th</sup> Picnic in N'Djamena, Chad

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*New US Embassy in Chad*

I spent a very enjoyable Independence Day at the residence of the U.S. ambassador to Chad.

All American citizens were invited there for a grand picnic.

We ate hamburgers and hot dogs and Boston-style baked beans and coca cola and all sorts of cakes and pas-tries donated by the wives of U.S. personnel.

The residence itself is very luxurious and the whole event was like being in the U.S. for a day.

It was so strange to be surrounded by so many white people speaking with Southern or Brooklyn or Boston accents.

I only knew a few Americans but that gave me a chance to meet some more.

In general, the event reminded me of how much I love America and I guess it made me a bit more homesick than usual.

But, anyway, homesickness for America could never become a real problem for me because my homesickness for the Kingdom of Heaven is so very much stronger.