YOU KNOW YOU ARE IN AFRICA WHEN...

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There is a voltage stabilizer on your fridge! I don't think I've ever seen a voltage stabiliser in the UK and if I have, it would have been attached to some expensive medical or scientific equipment. Here, however, the electricty supply can vary a great deal and, what's worse, lightening strikes can change the voltage hugely. So, it's a wise precaution to have something to settle things down.

Another thing in the kitchen here that we don't have at home is a water filter to purify the tap water. Generally, it isn't a good idea to drink tap water here, but the filter makes it safe. Remembering to brush your teeth in filtered water is a chore and I find remembering to use filtered water for my morning coffee very difficult. I can't actually remember anything till I've had the coffee in the first place!

Where am I? Oh, forgot to mention that. I'm in LomÃ©, the capital of Togo for a planning workshop and then to provide some admin support to the Bible translation leadership team here.