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2025 March April Prayer Letter

Dear Praying Friends and Supporters;

We were so excited to have in a group of 14 people from our home church, Pleasant View Baptist in Taylors, SC visit us in March. They flew in on Friday, March 14, after leaving home on Wednesday evening and were with us for a planned 6-day visit. Getting in on Friday we began by working on the Jeep that evening, then on Saturday there was cooking to be done for the graduation on Sunday. Also, on Saturday we had a Kid's blast and had about 150 kids come for games, crafts, snacks, and preaching. That evening they started cooking chicken and setting up inside the tent for graduation. Sunday morning some of the men got started at 4:30 cooking more chicken. Then there was cooking, decoration and other prep for the 10:00 a.m. service. The tent was filled with around 250 people for Bro. Levis's graduation. Several of his family came in as well as folks from 5 other mission works. Each of the graduates that still work with us had an opportunity to participate with a word of testimony, prayer, or message. We were privileged to have our pastor, Bro. South, preach the charge to the graduate. Once again, it was a wonderful service glorifying the Lord for His love and salvation. After service we were able to feed 238 people and enjoy a time of fellowship celebrating the Lord's work in Bro Levis' life, and his graduation from the Bible Institute. That night the group of 14 went downtown with us to the Spanish work to hand out tracts and attend the service there.

On Monday the men packed up to go to Bro. Humer's church in Ahuasluhpia. The first hour and a half was just riding along then the last hour and a half was polling and pushing the boat through shallow water, while some had to walk along the side. There we were able to install battery and lights in the church and Bro. Humer's house. The solar panel was left with him to mount on the roof later. The return trip on Tuesday was long but enjoyable with brewing coffee in the boat, eating banana bread, and fishing.

Wednesday morning was a wonderful service with great singing and Bro. Josiah preaching about Jesus. It thoroughly stirred our hearts, praising the Lord for His goodness and love toward us. That afternoon we were able to go with Bro. Levis to his church in Tikuabila and have prayer with him there. Thursday morning everyone was up, and we crossed the lagoon and were able to see Bro Andy's church and visit with his family. We were doing some shopping before heading to the airport, when we found out that the plane that should have come to get them on Thursday morning, had crashed into the sea on Monday evening. After scrambling around, making many calls, we were able to get them different flights out, but not till Saturday and Sunday. Praise the Lord for His help in getting all the plans rearranged and for protection in getting everyone home safely. It was so wonderful to have friends from our church come to see us, and help us in the big event. The next week Bro. and Mrs. Chris Rogers along with their 2 oldest sons came to see the work here. We started their trip off by working on the Jeep as well. They were replacing a broken axle on the front right wheel. By the end, everyone and everything was well greased! Bro. Rogers preached 3 times for us on Sunday, as well as having everyone out in front of the Spanish church handing out tracts again. People who pass by always take a tract, but when there are several gringos out there, the motorcycles stop as well. So we were able to give out a lot of tracts just in the one hour. On Monday the Rogers family went with me to the village of Auka. Bro. Andy had been making blocks for the last 4 months getting ready for this trip. We were able to lay over 150 blocks making a half wall around the church building. Bro. Andy will come back later with plaster and wood frame on top to finish out the walls. After that they will work to

cement the floor of the building. The Rogers family were a great help in getting this done. Everyone finding a job and working all day. So thankful for those who come with the purpose of helping accomplish a job. It is a great help.

In April we were able to fabricate and install 2 pumps on wells that had been drilled previously. One for a Spanish speaking family in the central part of our town. Quite a few people from around the area used to use the well before the pump failed. We were able to fabricate a pump and install it so they could have clean drinking water, especially during this dry season from March through May.

The other pump we built was for one of our members. We had drilled and installed a pump on this well, but twice now he has dug around under the cement pad and broken the pipe underneath. This time I reworked the pump and installed it with a metal pipe. I told him if he breaks it again, he is going to have to go find somewhere else. (LEAVE IT ALONE!!!)

Then we dug a well, that did not go very "well". It was for one of our elderly members. They have to carry buckets about 100 yards from another well we drilled a few years ago. Both are in their 80s and aren't really able to carry water that far anymore. The goal was to put an electric pump on the well and pump it right into the house. However, at 25 ft we ran out of the drilling powder that keeps the sand from caving in the hole. We tried to get down further and almost got our drill bit stuck, so we had to pull out. The water at that depth still has a lot of iron in it and they unfortunately are not able to use it. Lord willing, when I am back in August, I will have been able to get the supplies and redrill.

There have been three people saved in the month of April!!! Pelon, (Baldy, even though he is not bald) 35 years old, came to Bro. Levis at the church in Tikuabila. He did not ask for baptism nor Lord's Supper, which is what they usually want. He told Levis that he needed to get saved! He was tired of living in sin and being afraid of death. He wanted to be saved and live for God. The next week a young man named Erol, 24 years old, from the same village, was at the church at 4:30 AM waiting for Levis to get there for the 5:30 service. He came asking for salvation. He took an hour and a half after church, telling Levis of times that as a diver he came close to death down under the water, and he wanted to give his heart to God and be saved. Praise the Lord!! These are the first salvations in this mission that has been going for 10 years now. The third salvation was with Bro. Andy over in Puerto Lempira. A lady came to him about her grandson and said that their custom was, at 10 years old a child needed to get baptized so they could be saved. He responded that he would need to speak to her grandson privately about it. After a couple days the boy came, and they talked about how baptism does not save and what is needed for salvation. In the end the boy asked Christ to save him. The next service Bro. Andy asked him to give a testimony of his salvation, so he stood and told the crowd, "I wanted to get baptized, but the Bible says that baptism and good things won't save you, so I repented of my sin and asked Jesus to save me." (HA!!! Praise The Lord!!) What a testimony to his grandmother and parents of salvation. It is so great to be able to see people come to the Lord. Things here move really slow, but praise the Lord that He is well able to "save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him" Heb. 7:25

Currently we are heading into the US for 3 months, to help care for my dad. At 92, almost 93, he is dealing with the normal decline in his physical and mental health for that age. He has been living with my sister for several months, and we would like to give her a couple of months to rest and travel a bit. We will not be taking meetings or traveling during that time, as the purpose is to be with and care for Dad. However, while there we will continue to be managing and directing the work here as best we can. We would greatly appreciate your prayers for the work here in our absence, and for Bro Levis and others who will be filling in preaching and teaching while we are gone. Thank you again for your faithful prayers on our behalf. We are so thankful to the Lord for His help and what He has allowed us to be a part of in these past weeks and months.

In His Service,

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P.S. We apologize for no pictures with this prayer letter, there was just too much information to share. If you do not receive our letters by email, and would like to see this letter with pictures included, please reach out to us at genetrask@mwbm.org