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For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen.

For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

(2nd Corinthians 4:17-18 NKJV)

Hello friends and partners:

A couple years ago our family packed into our van and went to the city to do some errands there. As we were entering the main road from the expressway I noticed a bus stopped in a strange way, at a stop light and the light was green. As I drove up along side the bus I saw two men in a violent fight at the open door of the bus. I thought that the fight must have started on the bus and the driver was forced to stop. I pulled up and stopped where the men were fighting and rolled down my window. In a loud voice of authority I shouted at the two men, "QUIT IT"! They did. I thought *oh the power of words and blessed are the peacemakers*. The two men stared at me, and then I noticed many people were staring at me, and then I noticed the movie cameras. I had interrupted the filming of a movie. The light was still green so I decided it was a good time to move on. The whole thing happened in seconds and I did not even think, just reacted. I did not even look around to see the situation I was only focused on the fight. My kids still like to relive that memory for a good laugh now and then.

My lesson, "Things are not always as they appear". Sometimes our problems can become our main focus and we do not see the big picture. If we do not include Jesus and His finished work on the cross in the picture we are not seeing things from God's perspective. What we see in the physical realm can look much different with enlightenment from the Holy Spirit. The Lord takes us into situations that are over our head so that we can learn to trust Him and rest in Him. The big mistake Israel made in the desert was forgetting God's great miracles of the past and letting the current problems cause them to go into despair and start complaining. Whenever you become unthankful it is time to get alone with God and get His perspective. See our message about how being thankful to God is directly related to your love for Him,

<http://www.seekgod.org/message/lovegodwithallyourheart.html>

Having said all that I am going to share some things that we have been going through but I am not complaining. We have had great miracles and breakthroughs and I expect more in the future. The Transformation Center is a big place with tremendous potential. Since rainy season started we have had a lot of heavy rains which exposed leaks and problems with the drain systems of the house. We are doing the best we can with what we have but it is mostly like putting temporary band-aids on problems that will need to be fixed the right way at some point. I am very thankful that we have not experienced a major typhoon this year and I pray that will continue.

It seems termites also like rainy season and they have become a big problem again, the stuff that seems to work to protect the wood the best is about \$30 USD per gallon. Again, we are trying to set priorities on dealing with them and we need a carpenter to help with removing and replacing some wood in cabinets and other places but our budget has been very tight.

In June we had a new challenge which became our new priority. Intruders (thieves) came into our chapel in the middle of the night and stole a few things. One of our helpers was sleeping in the building but not in the same room. They took a few things including an electric guitar, two computer monitors, and our internet router. Attached to the router was a device we needed for our internet connection so we had to wait for the ISP Company to come and restore our Internet service. Things move slowly in The Philippines.

The burglary made us realize how vulnerable the buildings are, and we are. It could have been much worse. So, we immediately shifted priorities to security. In The Philippines burglars can have a mind set that if caught it is better to murder the witness than go to jail. Recently, near the place we do Kingdom Celebration, there was a man keeping watch to protect the elementary school when he was murdered in the middle of the night by an unknown assailant. The victim was a very nice older man who was a volunteer and always helped the kids at the street crossing, everyone liked him. We are hearing that there have been many burglaries near the Transformation Center and they also increase in rainy season. This is most likely because of the lack of work when the weather is bad. If you have been to the Philippines you know that most every business has at least one security guard, usually carrying a shot gun. The people here are telling us that we need a night time security guard to patrol the grounds and buildings. We do not have the funds for that.

What we have been doing is securing windows, installing doors and locks. We have also been adding lighting so we can see the grounds and entry places better. The extra lighting has us concerned about the electric bill which is already sometimes \$250 US dollars per month for the Transformation Center. We did not have any budget for security so we had to borrow from the fund that we need to get our title from the bank. It is taking a long time to go through the process of the title transfer and we are not sure exactly what we will owe at the end of the process. We have paid for some of the things up front. We had to borrow some of the money to improve security; safety concerns for people and property are now the priority. We knew the thieves would return. They have been back at least three times, so far. One time we could see that they tried to pull out an electric line but were not successful. They would sell the copper if they could even though it is not much.

Two other times our alert neighbor yelled at them when they were climbing our fence in the middle of the night. He was alerted by barking dogs. The latest intrusion was last night when our neighbor yelled and stopped three men from entering the property around 2 AM. They ran away. So far they seem unwilling to break in and they do not want to confront people. When they came in the first time we had some unsecure doors and windows. There is still more we need to do and ultimately we may need a security guard to patrol at night. This has had all of us battling some fear and sometimes at night we are listening for the dogs barking instead of sleeping. Some times we are getting up often and looking for thieves on the property. The Lord gave me Psalms 27 to battle fear and I shared it with our household. It has helped us a lot. At this point we have less fear but we are not naive and we know that we need to continue to improve our security situation.

Now for some things we are thankful for; we continue to get more response through the Internet ministry. Truly only in heaven will we really know how many people have accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior, and how many have been strengthened and encouraged in their walk with the Lord, through the SeekGod.org web site, Thank You Partners.

Today - 23 year old woman from the USA; I am feeling so much peace its unexplainable I'm am so overwhelmed with happy tears knowing God has spoken to me through you website I am comforted and sit here thanking Jesus for saving my life thank you Jesus my Lord and Savior

Today - 33 year old man from New Zealand; Truly inspiring words from God himself. I pray that every single soul comes to know of his love and believes his promises so that they are saved and will receive everlasting life in the kingdom of God.

Today - 17 year old man from the USA, *I've haven't been close to God at all recently and I really need to rededicate my life to Him. I need some prayer so I can get back in a close relationship with Him.*

In the last few days....

32 year old woman from Kazakhstan; *Today I got the prayer request confirmation. I have read it as usual, but this time these words were spoken to me by God, personally to me. Every single word was speaking to the situation I am and I needed these words so much. Thank you very much!*

30 year old woman from Nigeria; *this is great. is as if God himself is talking to me directly, you guys are doing a good job connecting souls back to their creator, making one to have a feel of talking to his father.*

31 year old man from Ghana, Africa; *God richly bless you for making this material available for some like me I was deep distress and so down but a article has really blessed me thank you so much.*

26 year old man from Rwanda, Africa; *THIS IS WONDERFUL SITE THAT I HAVE NEVER SEEN BEFORE, I ENCOURAGE U TO CONTINUE EXPANDING THE MINISTRY OF HEAVEN, AND I WISH PASTOR TO VISIT RWANDA ONE DAY THANK YOU*

25 year old woman from India; *I want to dedicate myself to Christ. Found by: While surfing the net for finding ways to reach Christ.*

44 year old woman from the USA, Recommitment to the Lord; *please don't stop sharing the word of God. I came to this website by studying and looking for some helpful information and I found it, it was in the presence of God thank you*

23 year old woman from South Africa; *When I was going through your site, I prayed and asked God to give me strength and I want a relationship with him. Found by: By the grace of God, I did not anything about this website, am going through a difficult. I just goggled Lord I need you then the website appeared.*



Recently we had a YWAM team visit us at our Kingdom Celebration program. They were a big team with 19 members from all over the world. They came via a YWAM base in Japan to The Philippines. The leader brought a team last year also. They enjoy Kingdom Celebration and love ministering to the kids. The kids love to have visitors especially foreigners. It is always a treat for them and love flows from and to, one another.





The kids were all blessed by the YWAM'ers. Thank You YWAM team



One of our favorite things to do continues to be visiting the street kids, feeding them, listening to them, and ministering to them. In order to realize the vision of using the Transformation Center as a home for kids in need our support will need to dramatically increase. Currently we are in survival mode, especially when considering the expenses of trying to maintain the buildings and property. There is still much remodeling that needs to be done before we could pass inspections.

Goals

1. More monthly support for the ministry, to be able to continue remodeling and repairing the Transformation center Buildings; also to be able to do more outreaches, and expand the Internet ministry.
2. \$23,000 US dollars for Toyota 15 Passenger van, our current van is a 1994 Toyota that is not in good condition.
3. \$35,000 USD to purchase the farm lot behind the Transformation Center to grow fruits and vegetables for the ministry and for possible income.
4. Funds for remodeling the Transformation Center we possibly need \$50,000 USD for completion but we can work in stages as funds become available.

We are so thankful for the Lord's provision and we are so thankful for YOU. All of you who have prayed for us and given financially to help us get this far, THANK YOU! We know that the Lord sends very special people to help in this ministry. The Lord is the one building the Transformation Center; He is the One producing fruit in the lives of people as each of us cooperate with Him. We love you, and pray God's blessings on you and your family; Gary, Suzzhette, and Kids

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As it is written: "HE HAS DISPERSED ABROAD, HE HAS GIVEN TO THE POOR; HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS ENDURES FOREVER." Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God. For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God. (2nd Cor. 9:9-12)

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