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Dear Praying Brothers and Sisters

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This past month has been one of great blessings! The past few Saturdays a good group of young and older men have come to the Bible study. We have been praying for this for some time. Previously it would be only ladies with one or two men. Now we have had six to eight men. I had a couple ideas to get the men to come, but neither one worked. Instead the Lord did it in His own way. We have also seen one lady from Sagifa almost every Sunday getting saved at Lusillo (Bill and Lori Smith's church plant.) We take the ladies from Sagifa to Lusillo on Sundays.



(Trying to get to Lusillo)

Thanks for praying about the man who was murdered over claims of sorcery. We prayed really hard for the Lord to protect the people of Sagifa and specifically where we have the Bible Study in the section called Jericho. The man who died was from another area and was brutally murdered by someone in Sagifa. The people group from the other area came to Sagifa burning gardens, killing animals, and even threatened to burn houses and kill men in revenge. Praise the Lord there were no revenge killings and all glory to His name that this difficulty strenghtend the new believers in Jericho! We all prayed much for this difficulty and the new Christians reported that when the men came burning gardens and killing animals that they did not burn or kill anything in the Jericho section. They said God was looking out for them and they were not harmed because of His protection.

The Lord is blessing and working at GBBC. We finished pouring concrete for the new elementary school classroom building. We are teaching a marriage and family class to the single students and they have had some excellent questions and interest. Greek class is also going well. I am now meeting with six students from the last modular class every Friday.

Please pray for GBBC as we are halfway through the term. Many are sick and some are getting discouraged. Our family too was sick with a really bad stomach bug for over a week. Tim was down for days and we were about ready to take Lydia in for fear of dehydration. Pray for us and the students that would all stay healthy and strong to finish the work!

We have had a major increase in expenses this last month, but the Lord has provided so faithfully. Thank you for your sacrificial giving. Another blessing is that over \$4,500 US dollars have been given to the new generator. We have been so busy with Bill and Lori Smith being in the USA, new missionaries arriving, Bible School responsibilities, and multiple building projects. We have truly seen the Lord sustaining and strengthening. It is a great joy serving the Lord!



**For His glory,
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