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Dear Praying Friends and Supporters;

We are extremely grateful for those of you who pray for us on a regular basis, and for those who pray for us when the Lord puts us on your heart.

Wednesday, June 19th, we had our regular 6:00 am service. After service I needed to carry one of our older men home with the 4-wheeler. On the way back to the house there was a family we know that was walking to get to the taxi boats in the central part of our village. So I got the jeep and carried them there, and one that was just helping them, I carried back home. As I was coming up to the house, Robin came out and said a thief had just been in under the house and took something. So I took off to chase him. After a few minutes, several guys came to help chase him down, but he hid out in the brush. I offered a reward of \$40.00 to have him tied up and brought to me. After an hour he was caught, and I took him to the police. We made arrangements with the police to carry him over to the big jail the next morning since this was the second time in two months that he had come in our property and stolen and gotten caught. (not a good thief, just a thief). Someone did not want us to take him over. They either lied to a judge or paid him to have the military come raid our house and search everything on the property. The next morning at 6:00 am I was getting the boat ready to go, when suddenly I was surrounded by soldiers



with machine guns. When I saw they were going up the steps to the house, I was afraid Robin was still resting so I hollered to her that they were coming. The LORD had already woke her up earlier and put on her heart that she needed to get up and dressed. There was no violence nor physical abuse of any kind. Once they had confirmed we were not a threat and we were cooperative, they were very friendly. After three hours of searching in every closet, box, bed, and building they did not find anything out of the way. (no drugs) On their

way out, we were allowed to give all of the soldiers Bibles. I was still



also able to take the thief over to the big jail. Even though my complaint was not accepted, he was put in jail over a previous arrest warrant. Someone said we got "swatted". The next day, emotionally, it definitely felt like it. Once again, thank you for your prayers. The Lord was working in our hearts to keep us calm and compliant. I think we were able to be a good witness to

the men who were there just obeying orders that they had been given.









In the month of June we also had some friends come visit from the US. Bro. Keith and his son, Kaden, were here from the 8th to the 17th of June. Bro. Kaden surrendered to preach about a year ago, so we were able to use him four different times preaching in services. He preached here at our church on Sunday morning, then we went to the village of Awasluhpia where he preached on Wednesday evening. Thursday we were in the boat from 7:00 a.m. till almost 5:00 p.m. with a 3 hour break at noon. That evening he preached in the village of Kuri, where Bro. Humer is trying to re-establish a church whose pastor has died(a very long day). On Friday, we came back to the house and rested, then on Saturday we went out inviting folks to come to our first service in the Spanish church. Kaden was able to preach in that first service as well. Bro. Keith has been a good friend for many years now and we were excited that they were able to come and be a part of the work here for a few days.

The majority of the month of May was spent working getting the Spanish mission building ready for services and also riding the tractor getting the path that runs in front of our house and crosses the swamp, ready for when the rains come. We were able to raise the level of the path by 2 or 3 feet getting it above the normal water level. In the Spanish church we were able to get everything completed as well as install air conditioning that will make it much more comfortable for holding services.

As we mentioned our first Spanish service was the 16th of June. Not knowing how many would come, we had 50 chairs set up, with 20 stacked and ready. By the preaching time we had 20 people come. I was very pleased that the second week we still had 20 people even though some were different ones. Because of the "swatting" event, I was not able to go out visiting that week, but am looking to visit about 75 houses this week inviting folks to come. Preaching and singing in Spanish is something that we have not done regularly since 2009 in language school, but the Lord has helped us in these two weeks. As we get more accustomed, we pray the Holy Spirit will be able to use the message of song and the preaching to draw folks to the Saviour.

We desperately need your prayers for laborers. There are 9 places where we are working to plant churches. At the moment there are four of us working these places. Three of us preaching in two places each week and two places that will only have services once every three months. The harvest is truly plenteous, but the laborers are few. "PRAY YE…"

Thank you for those of you who have been praying. It is a great comfort to know that there are those holding the ropes in prayer.

In His Service, Gene and Robin Trask