

November Update

Greetings from North Carolina in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! We're pleased to share with you what the Lord has been doing in our lives and ministry.



Hope on her 18th birthday



Charity at Hope's birthday party

Family: In November, we celebrated Hope's eighteenth birthday with delicious, homemade pumpkin cake, cards, gifts, and prayer. A few days later, Hope got out and voted for the first time in the November elections.

Last month we reported that Charity's arm had been injured and she was experiencing pain and numbness. We are pleased to report that it has improved significantly and she returned to work in October after three weeks of leave. She also obtained her driver's license in November. Praise the Lord!

In October we reported that mold was discovered inside our air handler, which is the main compartment in the basement that supplies air to the entire home. The testing results revealed that the type of mold in our system is not particularly dangerous, but mainly causes allergies, which is what we had been experiencing when we were using the system. We are grateful that we had the system replaced in October, which was a huge and very expensive project. The new system installation was not without many issues and complications, but by the grace of God we have gotten most of them taken care of. We are already feeling better since the mold was removed. Praise the Lord.

We also mentioned last month that we had flooding through a hole in our foundation. Unfortunately with all that has been going on with the heating and air system, we still haven't gotten that repaired.

One of our prayer partners for this ministry, who has been a great encouragement to us as a family, and who has helped to pray us through many trials, is now going through a major trial of his own and needs our help. His name is Ken Boone, and he is affectionately known by thousands of people on his We Kids Radio program as Mr. Nick. In November, a wildfire destroyed his home town of Paradise, CA., including Mr. Nick's own home. By the grace of God, he escaped alive! In order to help him rebuild and get back on his feet so he can continue serving the Lord in his ministry, we have started a Go Fund Me campaign called Help Mr. Nick of We Kids to Rebuild. Please pray for him and his family and consider giving to this emergency fund that we have set up for him.

Ministry: As we continue to administer our discipleship training school (DTS), we'd like to update you on the good things that God is doing with it. By the grace of God, we currently have twenty disciples in six nations including Uganda, Nigeria, Kenya, Mali, India, and now Rwanda. Altogether these students speak a total of seventeen different languages, including Hindi, Malayalam, Igbo, Idoma, Hausa, Teso, Yoruba, Bette, French, Kiswahili, Lubukusu, Ngakarimojong, Bambara, Luo and Gishu. All of them speak English.

In November, Len received a testimony by email from one of our students in Nigeria named brother John. He stated in part:

"Greetings to you and your family in Christ and my follow brothers in faith. By the grace of the Almighty God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord I thank my God for DTS; I want to make it as plain as possible to avoid any addition of what I have not achieved yet. My testimony is part of my appreciation to DTS and my sincere gratitude to the Lord's servant in the person of Bro. Len and his family. In fact, through DTS, I have come to the level of understanding of scripture as to what is expected of a disciple. What I have learnt in this series is as important and vital as life to me as it has quickened me spiritually even though I'm still in the process of growth. I can't count my testimonies, but the most significant one is that I am trying hard to keep the Sundays holy by keeping myself off from work of my own that may benefit me...My spirit has become willing to obey...though I'm still in the process of repenting and by the Grace of God, He will perfect it in my life.



John in Nigeria



Joseph Matcha in India



Deji and Hannah in Nigeria

DTS has also inspired me to love the undiluted word of God whenever it is preached...I wish to use

this opportunity to ask for prayers from the readers and DTS family for myself; please help me and pray to God to perfect His word in my life and to fulfill His own purpose and plan for me."

Praise the Lord for what He is doing in brother John's life there in Nigeria through his DTS training. Let's pray as he asked us to, that the Lord would help him to obey His Word, perfect His love in Him, and fulfill His plans and purposes for John.

Last month we reported that two of our students in Nigeria, Deji and Hannah, got married. Since then Len has received more wedding photos from the love birds, one of which we would like to share with you above on page two of this letter.

In October, Len received a couple emails from a pastor in India named Joseph Matcha, who found Len's blogs while browsing the internet. He stated:

"Hello sir,

Greetings in Jesus name. Thank you for your boldness and obedience in bringing the truth from His Word...many are wrongly interpreting the Bible according to their tastes, culture; the Word of God is being compromised.

In this evil age, I thankful to God for raising His fearless servants who preach boldly in the face of wickedness and crookedness...

I was just browsing [the] internet when I came across your website and I was reading your blogs....as the world is consumed with the prosperity gospel, it is so important for the truth to be known.

I would love to enroll in your [DTS] program, but I have limited internet access, and my ministry is based in villages and rural areas, [to which] I constantly travel to preach gospel.

Please pray for my ministry...I have a burning desire for my people who are perishing in following false gods and goddesses. In India we have 3 million gods. Our ministry is touching people who are ignorant, blind, and are indulged in all evil practices (i. e.. witchcraft, idol worship, sacrifices of animals, and pagan worship).

God bless you sir, keep continuing, praying for you...

Blessings, Pastor Joseph Matcha"

Praise the Lord for the way He is touching this Indian pastor on the other side of the world through our ministry. Let's pray that the Lord would help him reach those who are perishing, following false gods and worshiping idols.

Another person commented on Len's article called The Afflictions of the Righteous and said, "Excellent Teaching, Indeed. God Bless You."

Another person commented on his article called What Does the Bible Say About Vaccines?, and said, "Very well written and insightful piece! Thank you for such a wonderful resource. I was injured by vaccines and other pharmaceutical abominations as a child and have since found Christ and have chosen to abstain from vaccinations for our children. My 4 year old is the brightest and healthiest child I know. God made our bodies perfect and our capabilities are miraculous through Christ. God bless you for sharing your wonderful research!"

Praise the Lord for the way He has touched these people's lives through our ministry.

Len sent out his monthly edition of Old News That's Still Fresh in November to pastors, elders, and laborers in the harvest in the US, Europe, Australia, Africa, and Southeast Asia.

Although we are not based overseas any more, we are still missionaries and still need your financial and prayer support of our ministry. Please pray and ask the Father if He would have you give.

"Not to us, LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness." (Ps 115:1)

In closing, we have much to praise God for, and many opportunities for you to join us in prayer.

Praise the Lord with us for the many answers to prayer:

- 1. For allowing us to celebrate Hope's 18th birthday.
- 2. For helping us get rid of the old, moldy central heating and cooling system and get a new one installed.
- 3. For helping Charity obtain her driver's license.
- 4. For the improvement in Charity's arm.
- 5. For helping our prayer partner Ken Boone ("Mr. Nick") to escape alive from the fire in Paradise.
- 6. For what the Lord is doing in brother John's life there in Nigeria through his DTS training.
- 7. For the way He is touching the Indian pastor Joseph Matcha through our ministry.
- 8. For the opportunity to assist each of our students in becoming disciples of Christ and fulfilling their callings.

- 9. For the Lord's leading, guidance, and help administering the Doulos Training School (DTS), and for the progress the students are making.
- 10. For the lives being touched for Christ around the world through our writing ministry.

Prayer needs:

- 1. For the Lord to heal Jennifer from chronic pain and limited range of motion in her right arm (adhesive encapsulitis in her shoulder).
- 2. For the Lord to heal Len's lower back and sciatic pain.
- 3. For the Lord to heal Faith and Len from eczema.
- 4. For the Lord to provide financially for this new central air conditioning system, and help us get all the remaining issues resolved that happened with the installation.
- 5. For the Lord to help us get the hole in the foundation repaired.
- 6. For the Lord to help brother John in Nigeria to obey His Word, perfect His love in Him, and fulfill His plans and purposes for him.
- 7. For the Lord to help Joseph Matcha the Indian pastor to reach those who are perishing, following false gods and worshiping idols.
- 8. For the Lord to help Ken Boone rebuild following the destruction of his home and home town.
- 9. For the Lord to assist us with the administration of the Doulos Training School (DTS), as well as develop through it many disciples who multiply disciples.
- 10. For the Lord to help all of our DTS students to find LTG partners (another Christian to meet with weekly for discipleship in a Life Transformation Group).
- 11. For the Lord to fulfill His purposes for us and our ministry.
- 12. For the Lord to move mountains to raise up new faith partners, and for Him to provide for all our needs -- not only ours personally, but also those of the ministry -- as He releases a financial miracle.

Thank you so much for your partnership in this ministry.

with love from all of us,

The Lacroixs

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