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MOTORBIKE ACCIDENT IN KENYA

Joshua Obala, one of our pastors in Kenya, has had to put his ministry on the back burner since his wife Beatrice was seriously injured in a motorbike accident. The bike slid and fell over while she was on her way to the doctor for a pregnancy check-up. She was admitted to the hospital and delivered their baby a week later at 8 months. Their son was fine, but Beatrice had heavy hemorrhaging in her abdomen and a broken back. She had two surgeries that were both successful, but she will be recovering for quite some time. Pastor Joshua sold all he could and borrowed as much money as possible, but he did not have enough for both surgeries. The money needed has been donated and sent.

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While Beatrice is in a hospital in Tanzania, Pastor Joshua has been caring for the baby, feeding him sugar water during the day. As a result, the baby is malnourished and may die without proper nutrition. The hospital is providing a service to care for the baby, allowing him to be breast fed at night, so Beatrice's milk does not dry up. This service costs about \$100 per month and Joshua has been staying in a hotel for \$7 per night.

They have three other children at home (ages 3, 6, and 7) and Pastor Joshua has heard that something big politically is happening Thursday. He is trying to get someone to come to the hospital so he can go home to protect his children. Please pray for this family and for all of our brethren in Kenya.

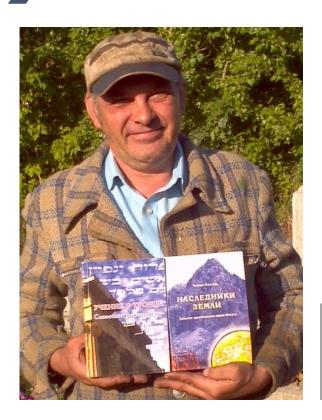
LHI is a mission organization and our focus is missions, evangelism, and preaching and teaching. As Paul shared serious physical needs of various brethren when he found out about them as he traveled preaching and teaching, LHI is sharing this need that came to our attention. Please pray for Pastor Joshua, his wife Beatrice, and their newborn son. If you would like to donate to this need we will make sure that they get your donation.

ALL SAFE IN HAITI

Pastor Lesly thanks you for the prayers on their behalf during Hurricane Irma. They were expecting severe damage, but the orphanage and churches made it through the storm with no damage. Praise God!



MAKSIM'S TRIP TO SIBERIA



Pastor Maksim made a trip to Siberia to help Brother Uli. Uli is suffering from a brain tumor, but was unable to get treatment because he was caring for his bed-ridden daughter and motherin-law. Pastor Maksim reported that Uli spent three weeks in the hospital and received chemo and possibly some other treatment. The doctors say he should see some improvement. Uli is back home, but Maksim stayed another week to help care for all of them. They are extremely grateful for all of the prayers and donations that made Maksim's trip possible.

in his faith.

AFRICA FOOD RELIEF

These last two years have been very hard for the people in Malawi and Mozambique, first due to the extensive flooding from the cyclone, then from major drought. You, brothers and sisters in Christ, donated generously for food, seed and fertilizer. The following is a letter from one of our sisters there, sent while the famine was still in full swing. There was hunger everywhere, and many were dying.

"Please pass on our gratitude message to all our brothers and sisters there for helping us during our worst trying two years, and for all their other help to us always. We thank God for you and pray for God's overflowing blessings upon your lives. You've saved and are still saving many more lives through feeding them and empowering them through the produce of their gardens. Thank you very much. Only God knows how I feel. A Pastor from Mozambique cried so much this morning during our meeting (regarding the help they received); they don't have words to say. You have shown God's overwhelming love to all of us. May he meet you at your point of needs."

Pictured to the left is a truck loaded with fertilizer ready to distribute during the devastating famine (2015)





This year the crops were abundant, praise God. Thank you again for your generous help!



PAKISTAN PRAYER CONFERENCE

Our brothers and sisters in Pakistan are holding a prayer conference the last week of October. They are expecting hundreds of fellow believers to travel to this conference from the surrounding areas. Please pray for the safety of these believers who live in a country where Christians are routinely persecuted. Pray that the gospel message will spread in this country where Muslim beliefs dominate.



SUCCESSFUL PERU TRIP

Alane Rozelle of Michigan and Jenny and Carey Clark of Tennessee made a three-week tour of Peru from July 11 to August 2. The purposes of the trip were to visit and encourage as many of the believers as possible, and to teach young to old how to defend their distinctive beliefs.

They spent six days in Lima exhorting the few brethren there and determining how best to support them in the future. Ministry included a daily Bible class for neighborhood children, Sunday worship service, and visits to several isolated families.



Pictured above are Jenny and Carey Clark meeting with some of our brothers and sisters in Lima.

Leaving Lima to go 9 hours north, their first stop was an overnight visit with the Rossel family in Chimbote. They are the only like-minded believers in their town and they were absolutely delighted to have them stop in.

The following four days were spent a little further north in Trujillo and Huanchaco, where Edwin and Aleida live. They are the main overseers of the work in Peru. Alane conducted 5 Bible school sessions in 3 different areas with a total of 45 children. Carey held three adult Bible studies. Edwin is in daily contact with outlying pastors and with new seekers who contact him through the internet. We delivered to him a much-needed radio transmitter for launching a more high-powered radio ministry in his area.





Left: The team members with Pastor Edwin and his wife, Aleida.

On Monday, July 24, they again boarded a bus to travel another 7 1/2 hours north to Chulucanas where Yesenia and Rodrigo pastor a strong congregation. Jenny and Alane led Vacation Bible School, as Carey gave strong messages on righteousness and the kingdom to a crowd of over 50 both nights.



In Chulucanas, 52 children showed up for two days of VBS held in a tent in the streets. The harvest is plentiful!

They spent the final five days due west on the coast in Paita where the 3rd Annual Conference of the IDM Churches was held. IDM stands for Iglesia de Dios y del Mesias (Church of God and of the

Messiah). All doctrinal beliefs are strictly on par with the Church of God of the Abrahamic Faith. Aleida's father pastors a solid group, mostly all relatives, in Paita. About 30 adults and 15 children were present at the three evening services in which Carey preached. Alane taught 15 children during three days of VBS. Many other believers participated with words of testimony, songs, and Bible passages. Alane also delivered greetings and mission reports from the U.S.

All in all, it was a very successful three-week tour. They feel that their goals were accomplished and they also gained a much greater understanding of the immensity of the needs there. We beg prayers for all the believers in Peru. Most are quite poor; Peru itself is broken down. Yet in the midst of it, they saw endless joy and peace amongst all the brethren wherever they went.