



"...LIKE STREAMS OF WATER IN THE DESERT..."

Isaiah 32: 2

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When I was travelling through the desert of north and south Kenya trying to locate gravel and working with the local people, I saw wild animals and also saw "wild people". They travel bare footed holding guns, the AK47. Even the African Muslim driver, who have been driving in the area for 5 years, yield to them. I realized that the desert villages were unsafe zones as they were free zones. The men with guns were everywhere, especially in the bushes. They can fire at anyone they wanted just like wild animals attacking their prey in the cycle of life.



One day, at 4:00pm I asked my translator and driver to return to Marsabit town. It would take an hour and a half to reach the road and we will be in town at sunset. But they dare not to drive across the desert and so we had to look for a place to stay overnight. When we entered the Mission Center, I had a deep understanding why God had instructed Israel to set aside cities of refuge, and thanked God for His mercy towards our humanity, especially for myself.



I was born and raised in a country of war, and there were several times when I was stuck between the arms forces. I was afraid then like I was now, but not until when I was inside the Mission Center did I understand the magnitude of what it was like to know that I am safe. That was where I met baby Ruth, heard about her story of how she found survival and safety at the Mission Center. Gratitude overwhelmed my heart and mind. What also came to mind were the Levites taking care of the cities of refuge (Number 35) "But you [we] are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy

nation, God's special possession, that you [we] may declare the praises of him who called you [us] out of darkness into his wonderful light." (1Peter 2:9) These Bible passages encouraged me "like streams of water in the desert and the shadow of a great rock in a thirsty land." Would you please help me to keep my promise and respond to "the call from above." To create "the streams of water in the desert" is a difficult job, especially finding water to clean the sand and gravel. But despite the difficulty, lack of resources and difficult conditions, by faith in God's Promises and trust in you, I believe that God will enable me to help them out as our brother and sister from Merritt Island, FL have generously given to help me keep my words with the Bru Christians in Laos.

After I came back from Kenya, I spent several days to search on the web and was able to find reasonable airfare that if I had waited would have costs twice more. I will travel to Saigon, Vietnam this coming November and from there take a bus to Phnom-Penh for four days of training. Then I will take another bus to Laos, which will take me two days of traveling to reach the village.



The blind Bru girl was carrying dirty water home from the water hole.

The water filter for the Bru will be a great challenge. This will be the first water filter ever built in Laos. Because of the remote village, located along the border of Vietnam, that even at this point I cannot tell you where I would begin looking for the essentials, gravel, sand and water tanks. But what I do know it that the filter is a great demand, a necessity to help the Bru's survival and will save lives.

After our family's visit in July 2011, when we witnessed the largest number to have gathered, news of new churches being planted amongst the Bru came week after week from my disciples. Four new churches have been planted in Vietnam

and another four in Laos. The news not only brought encouragement but also overwhelmed my heart.

I am encouraged because my disciples are faithful in their ministry activities, but overwhelmed because the church building demands funds and leadership to take good care of the flock and spur them toward maturity and this burdens falls on me.

It seems I am being contradictory against my call and my ministry, doesn't it? Of course we know that "neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The man who plants and the man who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. (1Corinthians 3:7, 8) But God also called me, us, to "feed the lamb" and "feed the sheep."

"I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength" (1Tim 1:12) through your faithful love, prayers and support.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE APPRECIATED, PLEASE PRAY FOR:

1. Safety travel for the coming November, 2011 trip to Cambodia and Laos to do follow-up training for Pastors and Church leaders along with successful installation of the water filter for the Bru people.
2. God to provide \$4,000.00 to cover for the Kenya trip last Aug. 2011 as I by faith used my salary support for the trip.
3. Our recent move and that we can soon settle in and carry on normal lives so that it will not negatively affect our children.

**Thank you for your faithful prayers,
love and support for us.**

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