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### **TO THE DISCIPLES OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST:**

Greetings in our walk with the Lord Jesus Christ. The bible tells us to walk worthy of our calling. If you are saved it was God that called you and all are to walk worthy of that calling. Knowing that, we then must look at our walk and compare it to the Lord's. Within this letter is a letter sent to a church in the U.S. It is from a 21 year old English major reporting what has taken place 6 weeks after arriving here at the mission.

Hello Everyone!!

I am alive!!! I know that I have not written to you since my arrival here and I apologize for that. There is so much to say! I will begin with the basics. I am living at Kafulafuta Mission with John and Lorna Sarra just outside of a city called Luanshya. I do not sleep in a hut and I am eating...eating well at that. It is not hot here in Africa and in fact it is winter here in Zambia and I wear my jacket nearly every day. Now about this experience...

I have never had an experience like this one in my life. I feel God changing me completely and while it is uncomfortable I am thankful for it. The mission here runs a Bible school. I have spent time talking with some of the students and I am amazed at how passionate they are about their faith in God. I mean every other word that comes from their mouths it seems like is Jesus related or related to some Biblical story or whatnot. They not only read and believe the Bible they live it. Their lives are both inspiring to me and a conviction as well. I told them that in America it is okay to be saved but RARELY does one go around just talking to people about it because it is considered impolite or pushy. I think of that now and it seems so silly.

There is so much to say...and not enough email space trust me!! I spend my time teaching Sunday school for Kafulafuta church, helping with the girls Bible study on Wednesdays, and generally being of assistance wherever I am needed. You know my personality so...mostly I get a lot of laughs...in a good way and that is fine with me! I am learning to let God use me. I am used to being a teacher and it seems that now I am the student in every regard. I am completely dependent on my Father and those here at the mission to get me through this summer because as I've said, I've never had an experience like this one and I cannot do this on my own...at least that much is clear.

Okayyy....what to pray for right? I need a lot of prayer so I hope you are ready!! Please pray that God protect my health. I have stopped taking my anti-malaria medication

because it was causing me difficulty. Pray that God continue to humble me as I learn to serve instead of leading (a very hard lesson). Pray that God keep my focus on Him and that through this experience he show me who I am supposed to be. I have a clue but definitely not the entire mystery...or even half of it solved. Please pray for me. Also, there are so many people here in need of help. They are smart and talented and if you know me you know, it is hard for me to not be able to put my superwoman cape on and rescue everyone from the poverty they live in. Please pray for wisdom for me. I am a definite bleeding heart and I need to rely on God instead of saving the world myself.

Is this email long enough??? (smile) Thank you for praying for me I honestly need it!!! Signing off from Africa!!! Marquia

I know God is working here and it is because of your prayers and support that we can stay and minister the truth from God's holy word, the AV 1611, to this nation.

I have a real need. Please pray to the Lord about it. My wife has had a problem with her back/left hip. Every so often it pains her to unbearable agony. She screams in pain, don't touch me!!!! Don't touch me!!! I have to bathe her and take care of her like a baby. She cannot sit or stand and cannot find a comfortable position to lie in. We have no real medical care here, and in her condition a trip to the U.S. would be too much. I had to carry her on my back down the stairs of the apartment to the truck, so we could visit four different doctors and the hospital in Lusaka, which is 5 hours from the mission. She was laid up in bed for two weeks last time. The drive is too much for her. There is a doctor she saw in South Africa 6 years ago who can help. We have no insurance and right now we only have \$1,000 in our savings. If anyone wishes to help us please contact our sending church. I am broken for my wife and sorry I have to ask!!!

We love you all and thank you for all you have done and continue to do.

Your Missionaries,

*The Sarras*