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To the holy in Christ Jesus:

"Be ye holy; for I am holy" I Pet. 1:16. God is not just love and His holiness will not allow Him to deal with sin. He loves His own and wants them to be holy for He is. I started thinking on this and a feeling of fear came over me knowing I am expected to be holy like my heavenly Father, WOWY-DOWY. I sometimes think we would rather read that verse than meditate on it, BECAUSE.....You fill in the blanks, son of God!!!

What a blessing it is to see the Lord God work in the hearts of the people we were sent to minister to!! The people here have a hard time when it comes to giving, partly because they have very little and partly because they just won't give. BUT GOD! After 17 years (Dennis and Bobby came in 1989, next month we start our 12th year) of preaching and teaching on giving, we are starting to see people in the churches we minister to really getting it, or should I say giving it! Randy and I were talking with a Pastor of a bush church and tears started to come to my eyes as he listed the things the church was doing for him and his family. PRAISE THE LORD, AMEN!!!! We have noted some of our churches offerings are starting to pick up and Pastors are starting to get needed help from their church members. Praise the Lord He honors His word and in time, in time, in time, get it, in time His word never comes back void. Oh if we just have faith and patience, the Lord will work in the hearts of men when they are taught the TRUTH, AMEN!!!! The expectations of a preacher/missionary in Christ is not like Burger King, have it your way, no, we get it His way, that way we know it is Him doing it not us. AMEN!!!

March was busy as usual at the mission and in visiting our outlying churches. Randy and Julie were going all over Zambia caring for our people and rekindling the fire for Christ's sake. He and his wife are such a blessing to myself and Lorna and very much to the people they are called to minister to. Randy is Dean of our Bible Institutes and Julie is administrator for the institute. The saying is: "New brooms sweep cleaner", and they are making the institutes look and academically be up to date. Thank you Lord, in Jesus name AMEN!!! We also had Pastors Refreshers Course where I taught on the book of Genesis. When the week was at its end the Pastors were requesting more and more. They were, by their own testimony, feeling the teaching. WOW!!! The first trimester of Bible Institute wound down and in the three months about 360 souls prayed to receive the Lord just from Saturday afternoon evangelism where the student and leaders pick areas of need for the gospel. We have men now called to Congo, Angola, Tanzania, Botswana and South Africa.

Our first international missionary leaves for Congo in June and our second will leave for Botswana a short time after. It looks as if the others will be ready financially within the next three months.

HALLELUJAH, BLESS MY SOUL!!!!

April we have Resurrection Sunday Conference where we travel to the different districts preaching and teaching a 10 o'clock service and traveling to make a 2 o'clock service in a different district from Wednesday through Sunday. Randy and Julie went to a place called Mongu. Mongu is in the Western Province where we had no churches, that's right I said had!!! Two of our students feel called to that area and went to minister while Randy and Julie were at their son's wedding in the states. For Resurrection Sunday the four of them went and started a new church called Mongu Central Bible Baptist Church, I'm shouting AMEN, AMEN!!! This area has a king not just a chief. Well the king has a Bible believing Baptist church and he is no match for the King of Kings so please pray with us for the kings salvation, AMEN. Randy said 25 got saved and 9 got baptized in the river, what a great God we serve!!!! One of our graduated Pastors had three churches in his area (1½ years ago) and when visited, way out in the bush, we found he now has 11, come on say it, come on, AMEN, ain't God good!!! Yes He is!!!!

We just started 7 new churches in the lower part of Congo with in the last 5 months. My wife will be sending two of her graduates to Congo for a first women's teaching on Godly Womanhood. The Pastors there say this will have a major effect on all of Congo because no one is concerned about the women. In late August we will have a big conference there and my wife will teach and I will preach and teach along with Kevin Pestke who will be here at that time. We need more help so if you know strong Bible believing, want to be missionaries, please let them know about us!!!! We are now listing 196 churches in four countries, what a thing man, what a thing!!!! Thank you for your prayers and support. As you can see God is faithful with your concern for this ministry, I just wish you could be here to know the joy of seeing the hearts of these people for the Lord Jesus Christ. "And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of host:" we are supposed to be the host here on earth showing His holiness ... are we??

Your Missionaries,

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