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TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!
UPDATES & NEW CHALLENGES



It is hard to imagine that it's time for the March newsletter. These past few weeks have gone by so quickly. Right now I'm with my mother, brother, and his family in Texas. Tonight we will celebrate the life of my youngest brother, Steven, who went to be with the Lord on January 5th. Today would have been his 67th birthday. Friends and family are gathering to remember the one who was



special not only to us but to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Steven and his wife, Jeanette, fought a long and debilitating battle with frontotemporal dementia, a sickness for which there is no cure. It is a horrid

fate not only for the one who is afflicted but for the family and those who have the responsibility to daily care for someone who is slowly losing control of their bodily functions and memory. Tonight will be a time of reflection and celebration of Steven and being comforted by the knowledge that he was saved by God's grace through faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross. Steven was a salesman who had a relaxed demeanor that put people at ease to the point that he could sell anyone almost anything at any time. I will miss him but know I will see him again.

Recently, Stephen Tambuli sent me a request for help feeding more than 200 families. Here we see Stephen standing in front of some of the 200+ bags of mealie meal that is enough to feed a family of four for a month.



Also pictured are some of the families, many of which walked a considerable distance to receive the 40lb bag that would sustain them. Stephen said there was also provi-



sion for some CTC students' families who were in need. We sent \$5,000 to cover the cost of the food and transport using our flatbed truck. A special thank you to all of you who have given to this fund!

I received an email from Dr. George Kurenji in Kenya who oversees several of our CTC programs in six countries. He asked if we had any disaster relief funds available. I responded that we have a fund available to him for feeding the hungry but only for that need. I have the feeling we will soon be asked to help others who are without food. If you wish to help, this is a fund that I pass through without any administrative fee so 100% of your gift goes to the need. Just enclose a project note "Feeding the Hungry".

Here's an update on Pastor Howard Phaiya's church building. Pastor Howard is also my translator when I'm ministering in



Malawi. The new cement floor was just recently completed and by now they should be holding services in their new facility! This was possible by your

gifts and God's faithfulness to meet needs as we respond in obedience to the voice of the Holy Spirit. Thank you for helping to make a difference in the Kingdom!

We also have an update on Pastor Willo's construction. We had started construction on the outside foundation and had one section of wall up shoulder high. Then a seasonal



rain came, and construction was stalled so things could dry out.

To encourage us all, I want to share a brief recent testimony of God's faithfulness. This past December and January, income to ITM as well as MVI was noticeably off. I was concerned because these are two months that we normally count on for the increase that moves us forward. I had voiced my concern to the Lord and a couple of days later we received a check from a church that had stopped supporting our ministry in 2022. The check was for \$2400 which did not solve the situation completely but relieved some of the stress. What's significant is that it was sent to us because they had made a mistake in their bookkeeping in 2022 and were making good on the mistake. Once again, I marveled at how God works to meet our needs! He provided for our need in 2024 by setting funds aside in 2022 until we needed it. Hopefully, someone from that church will read this and know how grateful we are for their obedience to make the situation right and how God used it to encourage us to keep moving forward, making a difference for the Kingdom!

That was not the first time that God had shown me that He has a plan. He withholds and releases to us what we need in His timing, providing as we move forward in obedience to what He has shown or said to us. Let me elaborate. Three years before Countryside Christian Center went through a massive church split, God showed me that I needed to pay off the mortgage on our home. At the time it made no sense because as an ordained minister, money spent on my parsonage is tax free income up to a certain point and anything beyond that point is fully taxable. We literally took every spare cent and put it against the principle of our mortgage. Even my tax professional told me this was a waste of money. I could only respond that I felt God wanted us to do this. Three years later when the church went through the split, 11 of 13 pastors left. The church board of directors gave each departing pastor one month of severance pay for every two years of service. I knew that God wanted me to step out into missions, training pastors and Christian leadership. However, Pastor Lloyd was a close personal friend as well as having been one of my teachers when I went through



Christian Training Center in Indiana. Partly because I did not want to leave him alone, I offered to spend six months helping him rebuild staff before launching out into fulltime missions. I had been on staff for ten years, meaning that when we left, I received my regular salary each of the next five months. When we received the fifth and final paycheck there was enough money left over to finish paying off our mortgage in full. Suddenly we were living totally by faith! There was not near as much coming in but because of God we no longer needed as much to survive. God is always faithful and always planning ahead to show Himself to us as we seek to be faithful to His purpose and plan for our lives.

Thank you so very much to you who pray for us and support this ministry. I know that many of you sacrifice to do so. We try hard to invest where there will be fruit to your heavenly account; as well as ours! We truly believe that our labor is not in vain in the Lord! As long as God gives me strength and the ability to travel, I intend to keep at it.

I purchased tickets this week to travel to Peru to teach and then graduate a group of Indians who have spent the past several years going through the CTC program. Many of the graduates canoed upriver for several hours each time training was offered. I will be taking Mauricio Giraldo with me to translate. We are set to depart April 6th, returning the 15th. I am also planning a trip to visit the Fulani people in northern Nigeria.

I'm happy to report that the money for the Fulani teachers has been covered. However, we are still several thousands of dollars short for the building in Ecuador. If you want to make a difference, here are some ways that you can make a difference:

1. **Building project in Ecuador** (\$8,000 still needed)
2. **Feed the Hungry**
3. **Travel to Nigeria**
4. **Ministry families**—you help to support five families, including us.

If you haven't seen them yet, I have completed two video teachings: **The Palestinian Situation 2023** and **Ten Signs of the Times**. Find them on my Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/revdc1> You can now give with Zelle use revdc22@gmail.com Know you are always in our prayers and thank you for being faithful! Praying for multiplied blessings to you!! **TOGETHER WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!!**

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