

Our August 2017 Prayer Letter

Dear Brethren,

Thank you, once again, for praying for us and the requests that we sometimes mention. I had asked prayer for a couple of my relatives last time. My stepfather's sister, Tabitha, has cancer and was taking it pretty hard. She started going to church and my mom explained some things to her, and after a long Bible study by the pastoral clergy at their church she was invited to receive baptism. My mom said Tabitha was grinning from ear to ear after she got baptized. Please continue to pray for her. My adopted brother who was born with fetal alcohol syndrome will most likely be needing a very special operation which, to my knowledge, can be performed by only four doctors in the United States (a kind of neurosurgery). He will go in on the eighth of September for screening.

I'm finally feeling better after getting ahold of something before we went down to the village the last time. I was hoping to recover before our trip, but that didn't happen. We had two straight days of rain, so it cooled down unexpectedly and it was a little cold in the tent. I toughed it out till the third day when I decided it'd be better to go home and rest. It was a good time of fellowship and evangelizing with several children and teenagers making professions of faith in the Lord. I heard from one of the brethren that even the local school director attended the tent service on the last day, and it looks like we may be able to work alongside the school in the future...like have a Bible study or something in the school!

While I was evangelizing a month ago in another village, Joanna hurt her knee. She had an ACL tear and surgery when she was younger. It affected her so much that she could hardly walk a couple of weeks ago. We finally got the information from stateside that we needed and she had an MRI done a couple of days ago. On Monday, the fourth, we'll go in and she'll get screened for surgery. They may do it on that day, or schedule for a later date.

Almost two weeks ago, someone got ahold of our debit card information and took money. I don't use the debit card a lot here, except for withdrawing cash from the ATM. However, we were in a position where I needed to use the card and we used it at about four locations. It was discouraging; they withdrew all we had in there which ended up being almost five-hundred dollars before I knew anything. I tried to withdraw funds to cover the cost of the rent for the church when I found out. We were thanking God when we discovered that someone had graciously given much more than we lost.

Please pray for Sergei--he's a member of the church and has had some serious health problems the last couple of months. His one working kidney has been having episodes of failure. He is not on any list to receive a new kidney. His sister, Nadya, has asked that God would miraculously heal him or help Sergei be ready to die. Nadya has been saved for about two years and Sergei for nearly the same.

Thank you for your prayers,

The Wiles Family

