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May 2018 Newsletter

May was a personally trying month. Being human, I made my share of “normal” mistakes, but I made one very costly mistake. The repair has already occurred, but I have not yet received the invoice. I had asked my son-in-law, Daniel, to dig up a very large stump, with the Minnie excavator that we had on site; I assured him that there were no power or water lines around the stump. Have any of you ever heard of 811? This is the locate number that I should have called. The main power from the transformer to the meter was severed, and it took a crew of 4 CEC trucks and drivers to come and make the repair. (One of them was a former student of mine.)

As all the CEC guys arrived I told them what I had done, that it was a stupid mistake, and that it all fell on my shoulders. I apologized that they had to come and make up for my mistake, and thanked them several times for cleaning up the mess that I created.

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“We will have this fixed in short order.” Don’t worry about a thing, we will take care of you.” “Your mistake is not a big deal. I’ve made more mistakes than this today: we all make mistakes. We will have you fixed soon.” Those are the comments I got from the workers. Not one ridiculed; not one promotion of guilt; not one dirty look; not one negative comment of any kind came from these men. They were kind, respectful, caring, and forgiving toward the entire situation and me. They pulled out all the old wire, fixed the broken conduit, pulled in new wire, and hooked everything back up, keeping right on task the entire time. All the while, all four of the

guys were pleasant and professional. I am deeply grateful to them for their work, but even more so for their hearts.

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I beat myself up over and over for forgetting that we had enlarged our yard, thus putting the yard over the power-line. It was a huge mistake, and it will be costly. It reminded me very much about how Christ handles the sin in my life. I still have to live with it. I still have to pay the consequences for my actions, but He has forgiven me for my sin and lets me move on, forgetting what is behind and striving to serve Him better in the future. I am grateful to the CEC men for their respect, kindness, and forgiveness with regard to this earthly situation. I am eternally grateful to Christ for his love and forgiveness that brings me into harmony with Him on a moment-by-moment basis.

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Things are happening in a big way at K & K! Recently we sent funding for four new wells to be drilled. The wells were drilled, and this week the pipe and pumps will be installed in all four wells. We thank God so very much for His provisions for these wells. He put it on the hearts of men and women to give us the funding, and now what was a “dry-spot” in Uganda is a local gathering place for those who need fresh water. Remember the “woman at the well” in scripture? We actually get to see these women at the wells all the time; the scripture comes alive as we see lifegiving water available for these people. It is always an inroad for sharing the Gospel. We will dedicate all four wells when we go there in August. I am greatly looking forward to those moments in time. Photos will be coming.

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The Amazing Grace Church of K & K just finished with a rather large festival. A festival there is similar to a crusade on the order of what Billy Graham used to hold. I have not yet heard the specifics but will share details when I get them. The Lord is using His church at K & K in a mighty way to share the love of Jesus and to teach the Gospel of Christ.

As we speak, we are gearing up to build the 4th large school building. It will house the science and technology portion of the Amazing Grace Secondary School. The steel structure should go up in August, and the structure should be finished in time for the start of the 2019 school year in February 2019. We are excited at this venture for several reasons. It should be the last large school structure that we will need to build.

After that we will need to build a secondary office/teacher workroom, and a Kindergarten building. Both of these will be about ¼ to 1/3 the size of the larger structures, and they can likely be built at the same time.

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SPC 6 is coming soon. The annual Sipi Pastors’ Conference will be held for the 6th year in a row. Larry Andrews, an elder at Powell Butte, and I will be doing the teaching. Larry is going to teach on Grace, and I will be finishing the session I started last year on Discipleship, and then starting in on Revelation. I plan to spend quite a few sessions teaching about the 7 churches and the cities where they were located when John was given the Revelation of Jesus Christ on the island of Patmos in his later years. Understanding the cities and their distinct “personalities” gives us insight into the scriptures and the writings that God gives to John about each of the churches. I am looking forward to this very much.

The women at K & K have planted 10 acres of crops this year; this is their biggest venture yet. Seven acres are sunflowers, which will be a cash crop to be processed into oil. The other three acres are sesame (they call it simsim) and sorghum, which is a grain similar to wheat. They have had adequate rains this year and the crop looks good. They certainly do deserve a break with their crops and we are delighted that they are having a good growing season. This allows us to focus back on the school and sharing the love of Christ with the lost in the K & K area.

Thank you my friends. Without you none of the accomplishments at K & K would have happened. True, God could do it alone if He so chose, but He didn’t. He chose to accomplish His purposes by using and allowing us---you and me---to partner with Him in the process. So again, Thank You for giving to the Lord. Lives are being changed in the present, and lives are being changed for all of eternity. Not a bad investment huh? We will keep you posted about the K & K happenings as they occur. For now, enjoy the spring and summer that the Lord is bringing our way.

Serving Him,

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