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Seriously? Really? Can it possibly be true that summer is over and we are headed into the Fall & Winter times of year? We all know that it is true: it is October 1st already. Hang on. Be prepared. Get in the winter's firewood---make sure the heat pump is working properly and have that electric or gas furnace ready for action. Ready or not the cold is coming. Plan. Prepare. And have a wonderful next 6 months. Seriously? Really? Am I writing to give you a weather report? Don't we have better things to discuss than



wind, rain, and snow? Most certainly.

Have you ever struggled with getting things done? Have you ever procrastinated? Am I the only one who has these issues? It is my nature to plan, do, and evaluate, and not to wait until that last minute. I truly do want to be Godhonorng with my life, but sometimes---more often than I like to admit---I just don't measure up. Thank God Almighty that He doesn't put productivity high on the list of necessities for life eternal with Him. Actually, productivity in and of itself is low on God's priorities; I doubt it is even on the list at all. What does He really desire? What does he really want? What is it that delights Him? The

scripture tells us that it is our relationship with Him that is above all else. If I can take the liberty of combining Deuteronomy 6: 4-5, and Matthew 22:37, we get something like this: "Here oh Israel, the Lord our God is One. And you shall Love the Lord your God with all your heart and all you soul and all you mind. And you shall love your neighbor as yourself." Jesus teaches us that these are the two greatest commandments, and that all the law and the prophets hang on these two commandments.

Recently a few people have asked when the next newsletter---this one---will be coming out. It reminds me of the movie "Dances with Wolves" when the wagon driver comes across a skeleton of a man with an arrow in it and he says to Kevin Costner's character, "people back home are saying: why don't he write?" Well, I'm not dead yet, but I have taken a semi-furlough for the summer. Even though I have been working behind the scenes at fund-raising for surgeries, getting the 2020 missions planned and organized, and getting advise on several issues, most of my summer has been spent taking care of the farm, haying, doing building maintenance, and serving locally where God has opened doors of service opportunity.

I last wrote to you in June, and it is now the last day of September. In June I expounded on the May medical clinic, the people who served, the number of patients we served---both "normally" and those who needed surgeries, and the need for a vehicle to serve as an ambulance to get our 53 referrals to hospitals

and clinics. In July, the Powell Butte Church Vacation Bible School kids took the lead in raising funds for what we call "The Life Savior. (TLS)." They committed to raise \$2,500, and 4 other private individuals and agencies committed to match their \$2,500. By the end of VBS, the \$12,500 was raised, and in August when I traveled to K & K for a pastor's conference the vehicle was purchased. Since that time many of our referrals have been transported to have surgery and/or treatment as prescribed by our medical professionals. We give all praise, honor, and glory to God for the way the HE worked in the lives of men, women, boys, and girls, to turn the dream into reality.

Over and over people ask when the next trip to K & K will be, and I answer the same each time: "I don't know for certain." I make plans, but as the Bible teaches, the Lord guides my steps. As of now in late January 2020 we will be taking a small team from Prineville Christian Church to help build a church building at Atari, a church plant from Amazing Grace Church at K & K. This trip will be followed by a medical camp in late April, and then Sipi Pastor's Conference 8 in either September or October. Again, those are OUR plans, and I have no qualms putting that out there. But in doing so we know that God is Sovereign and in total control, and our continual prayer is for His perfect will to be done in all things.

I would like to end with the story of Veronica. Veronica is a single mom in Uganda. Her husband left her with the children years back, and she has worked hard to care for her family. Life is more difficult for Veronica than most because she has a very deformed club foot. She is in her 40's now and the physicians tell us that they cannot repair her deformity. She has a shoe device made to fit her deformity---not much more than a leather sandal really---and she shuffles wherever she needs to go. We have made Veronica a "Dorm Mother" in the girl's dorm at the K & K School. She watches over and cares for the young girls there, and we are very proud of her work.

In May, Veronica came to our medical clinic complaining of sever abdominal pain. She had had the pain for several years, but it was now at the point where the pain was so intense---she had just learned to live with it up until May---that she was seeking help. Our physicians examined her and discovered that Veronica had a large fibroid mass in her uterus, and she needed surgery. We did a referral to the Hope and Healing Hospital in Iganga---about 4 hours from K & K---and scheduled her for surgery. As soon as we purchased the "Ambulance" (which is a 4WD Toyota Hilux truck---similar to a Tacoma in the US) we transported Veronica to the hospital, and she received her surgery. She is now doing well after many years of pain and suffering. Again, we give the Lord our God all praise, honor, and glory for taking care of Veronica, one of the "least of these" or one of "these little ones" from the scripture.

All that being said, I also want to THANK YOU for your love, prayers, and giving. It is because of devoted people like you who obey the prompting of the Holy Spirit, that we are able to serve Christ by serving His people in such a desolate and remote place as K & K. Your hearts of love for the destitute are a continual source of inspiration to me and all the KMI teammates, both those who stay at home and guide the ministry, and those who travel on the missions. We are deeply appreciative.

May the Lord bless you and your loved ones as fall enters the picture and then we head into the Holidays. I love each season that the Lord gives us because each is a reminder that He alone is the maker of seasons, and He alone is God. Blessing to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Serving Him,

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