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Greetings from the North,

Thank you for your prayers and support. It is an encouragement to have met so many of God's people who are pressing on for the Lord. It is good to reflect on what the Lord has done in our lives these past months and what He is doing now. July was a rainy month. The Canada Day fireworks were delayed due to the rain. Although it was unusual to have the fireworks in mid-July, they were beautiful.

The church building is an older building and in need of some repairs. A water line broke, so David and one of our men scrambled under the building to fix the line. In a remote location, the repair could have been quite an undertaking. Naturally, this occurred late one Sunday night. Even if the hardware store had been open, supplies could have taken a couple of weeks to order. A church member had a few odds and ends at home. It was not much, but it was exactly what we required. The Lord met the need quickly! Paul, our oldest son, has also been sanding, painting, and staining the weathered church window frames.

We have been teaching the Sunday School children the Fruits of the Spirit and Books of the Bible. We have even started a children's class, which includes a Bible lesson and some games to reinforce the Bible. We are hoping to develop this ministry to reach the community in the days ahead.

Out-of-town families of our church friends have visited the church this past month. Myron and Abe also made a surprise visit one Sunday morning. They were constructing a building across the street. The rain was so intense that the Southern Manitobans sprinted into our church services. We were blessed to share the Gospel with the men while they kept dry. They said that they were saved and were sons of preachers!

Last October, a resident, Mr. Shaun, died in a vehicle accident. Although this man's challenging history included addiction and drug abuse, he had a testimony of salvation. There was a stark contrast in the memorial service this past month. Some family members were saved and gave a Scriptural Gospel witness. Others had no message of hope. It was a blessing to know that the man was saved. His testimony was true in Christ, but it was weakened by the flesh. This world will try to lure us through movies, fun, or entertainment, but it will eventually chew us up and spit us out. If we fall into this trap, we can no longer be what we once were, nor can our testimony be as effective. We need to keep our eyes open. This world will take much more from us than it will give to us.

I have been praying how to reach our town and be effective right now. Some groups do not care about the current guidelines but may try to use COVID to hinder us. Others in town are afraid of the pandemic. The only small fast food shop in town was recently unjustly reported for having too many people in the store at one time. As the new pastor, I do not want to recklessly create problems that could take years to repair in our community. I do not mind being an offence for the Gospel's sake but do not wish to create an offence in the pretext of the Gospel. I need much wisdom.

**Prayer**

1. Encouragement and salvation for Mr. Shaun's extended family
2. Wisdom in ministry
3. Wisdom in accommodations

Serving together,

David, Nadine, Abigail, Paul, and Noah Muckle

***And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe,  
according to the working of his mighty power, Ephesians 1:19***



