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" And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19

Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings from our little "cottage schoolhouse abode" in Lowell, Michigan! It is the perfect landing place for us during our visits to the USA, and has been in the family ever since our marriage 40 years ago. Yes, it's been 40 years for us, and here we are back where we started, enjoying a bit of cooler weather after the hot and humid weeks of intense ministry in Guyana. Allow us to give you a quick update since our last email, by way of copying the last two paragraphs of that email, along with current info in parenthesis. (...)

" The Berbice Bible Institute will begin classes for this year with visiting professor Dr. Pete Helland. (*Pete had a very effective ministry with the ABC leadership! He taught a 5 day retreat, held at the Alness Conference center. Two young men, Chase and Rylie, were from Pete's church, and enjoyed not only the retreat, but working at the campsite as well. We all flew out together on March 5*) ' Following Pete, Dr. Gary deBock will be arriving for the March training session. Please pray for these men as they desire to equip and train nationals for ministry in Guyana. " (*Gary will be hosted by pastor Vishal and Naomi in our home at Nigg from March 25-April 2, focusing on ABC leadership training/accountability, goal setting, and pastor/wife encouragement*).

" Here is the latest update on Andy's physical situation. (*remember, this paragraph was written in January*) While the team was here, we consulted with the docs concerning Andy's pain. An MRI was advised, which was then read by the docs and the consensus was for him to return to the US sooner rather than later. So the plan is for us to fly back on March 5, quarantine (required for international travel), then meet with the surgeon on March 15. **We appreciate your prayers for us** as we seek to do what is expedient considering the pain Andy is in. (**Update on Andy:** *As of yesterday, March 15, we have a date for Andy's hip replacement surgery! This is a miracle considering how backlogged the docs are due to covid. We have an excellent surgeon who loves the ministry in Guyana, and keeps up with what's happening there. So he "arranged" his schedule to get Andy's hip done on March 31. Praise God! In docs words, Andy's hip was literally worn out and running on the rim! Couldn't believe he was able to even walk. So this is an intervention by the grace of God, and a direct answer to prayer.*) Meanwhile, plans are in place for our national co-workers to continue with hosting guests and maintaining the ministry at Hampshire as well as at Alness. " (*As of this date, there is a guest from Tobago staying with pastor Steve Inasi's family at Alness to oversee the building of the pool, please pray for Daniel Boodram. At the same time, a guest from Argentina, Emmanuel, is staying in CWC with pastor Vishal's family. He works with Word of Life Ministry International, and is considering coming to help with the camp ministry full time. Please pray for God's will concerning his decision.*)

And there's much more to share! The work in Guyana continues to move forward in every area to the glory of God. We are in constant contact (thanks to the internet!) with the pastors, visitors, and Alness project. Andy is able to oversee to a large degree the work on a daily basis, as the Guyanese crew depend on his detailed instruction for each building. Unfortunately, the fire that destroyed the shipment at the wharf took with it much of what is still needed, including kitchen supplies. The good news is that it looks like we can send one or two small crates to another part of the dock. Andy is already making plans to fill the crates with the necessary items. If anyone is led to help financially with this project, **please call us at: 616.421.5545**. We need to purchase and pack soon before we return to Guyana. This is a small shipment for specific items only, **please call with any questions**. The monies that have already been sent through PIEI will be used in Guyana to purchase building materials, windows, etc. Our last team from Millersville Bible Church, PA, was able to build 77 bunkbeds, and soon after, the mattresses from a local factory were delivered!

It has been a roller-coaster ride these past couple of years for everyone, but in spite of everything, God is allowing us to move forward in completion of the Alness Camp and Conference Center. Please **continue to pray** with us for the remaining funds still needed to complete the final phase. This will include a cooks cabin, volleyball/basketball court, generator room, storage room, and bus. Lord willing, if the remaining \$100,000 is available through PIEI/Guyana, everything should be finished by early 2023. As you will see in the attached pictures, a LOT of progress has been made already this year. Plans are in place for day camp this summer, ladies rally, and other special events to be held. We look forward to seeing how God will provide - He always does!

Joyfully serving,

Andy and Kathleen



Camp cabins



Pool foundation



Daniel Boodram

Pool project



Emmanuel

Pete teaching

