

Power



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Power is one of those very evident things. When it is “on” and “revealed” it is amazing... but when we don’t have power it is truly a frustration.

This week we had to laugh... **we lost power twice one morning HERE in the USA**. IT is a daily, multiple times daily, event in PNG. Actually now the power company is on strike and there power is hit and miss at best right now. But in the USA we just take that power for granted. **For us in PNG when the power goes off...life just keeps going**. Here it seems to all but stop. I wish that SPIRITUAL, GOD indwelling and initiated power would be mandatory for my daily function. How easily we just keep going through life in our own, very inadequate, strength rather than lean upon GOD.

This has been a very difficult month for our family. The agony of our Becky’s life and family turned upside down by something we don’t even know the cause of, pre-eclampsia, has been hard to really grasp emotionally and mentally. **In some ways the past four weeks has gone by fast, but watching our little Levi struggle the up and down life of NICU daily seems like an eternity**. WE feel so weak and totally unable to help him...because we ARE unable to help him. Even the very brilliant specialists are often in a quandary trying to figure out what is the best of the risks with the highest benefit. How comforting it is to know that God’s grace is sufficient for us and HIS strength is made PERFECT in our weakness. As we are totally unable to do ANYTHING...GOD is perfectly ABLE to do it ALL!
 “God’s greatest power can be displayed in our biggest weakness”

WE have seen GOD’s strength perfected In our many needs we were unable to meet in and of our own resources.

GOD has provided us with a great car to use for the time being...each day it is a gift that is beyond words.

GOD has provided us with grace as we are living as a family divided in half...with the half of our globe separating Bill and Amo from Lori and Aaron.

GOD is providing financially , bit by bit, for the added cost of living as a divided household a world apart.

GOD is providing for our ministries.

* With the two local pharmacies in Goroka burned to the ground we are seeing GOD provide for our clinic ministry here as

We gather supplies to bring back with us. Cold and cough medicine (liquid for kids and tablets for adults) , pain medicine In liquid (for kids) and tablets for adults (ibuprofen or Naproxen Sodium especially), and dressing supplies, band aids, medium sized exam gloves, other medical supplies can be sent(to add to our blessing) to:

170 CityView Dr
Rochester NY
14625-1343

ANYONE that has information on hospital supplies that are donated to international medical outreaches or a machine to test for blood iron we sure would appreciate your help with these connections!!! SEEKING to bring as much possible back with us to use as we share CHRIST to the physically hurting through our clinic!

*Richard has not been providing financially for Able and Joyce so our ministry funds have been able to cover the cost of their care.

(PRAY for their future homes!! WE are asking GOD to provide a Christian home for all FOUR kids!)

*GOD is providing for the GBBC expansion program in the most amazing ways... keep praying.

GOD is providing for our family needs:

*we are needing a couch, a new Fridge (money to buy one there that is the right voltage and wattage), sheets (Twin or queen) and blankets and towel as our home is like a bed and breakfast most days!

*kids books, toys (boys and girls), color books (new please!), crayons, a baby swing for the swing set, for our kids ministry (we normally have a least a dozen kids playing at our house every day!

*Clothes for the boys (sizes 6-14 Spring and summer- Shorts, short sleeved shirts, pants) are starting to come in little by little...blessings. If you have some (used but in good shape are FINE) clothes we sure could used them... they can also be sent to the above NY address.

“The Christian life is not a sprint..it is a marathon” so we run this very challenging stretch step by step with our eyes focused on CHRIST our finish line and enabler.

Please continue to pray for:

1) **Bill with the heavy load** he carries now with full ministry responsibilities and

being MOM and Dad both for Amo (and our dog just had 9 puppies to make life there even MORE challenging!)

2) **Levi as he has his daily struggles.** Every day it seems the change their minds about the need to do surgery to close his open duct...or not. It has been very frustrating for Becky but we are trusting GOD to orchestrate if and when they close his PDA. PRAY for his LUNGS, his HEART and his INSESTINES. HE is now a month old and a little over 2 pounds! Progress is slow as so much of his internal body needs to grow and develop before he gets bigger...but we literally see changes almost daily! FUN to watch.

3) **GBBC student work fund needs.** As the school break comes closer, the need for students to have WORK to pay off their school fees gets more urgent. PLEASE PRAY for the needed finances to enable them to work on church and school projects and pay off their school fees at the same time...double blessing. **to help** www.abwe.org account 0774403-003 **GBBC scholarship**

4) PRAY for **Able and Joyce as well as Israel and Cecilia...**that GOD will either bring Richard back to Himself or get him out of the way and open a good Christian home for these precious kids!

5) PRAY for **Lori's dad and his knee replacement on April 8th.**

6) PRAY for God to open a **ministry for Rachel and Rodney as they finish at PCC in May.**

7) Pray for **Ruthann and Eddie as they plan for their wedding** and new life together....May 17th is getting closer!

8) PRAY for us to be **lights and blessings** in the midst of these dark days of struggle. May we find blessing in our tears!

9) Pray for GOD to provide **insurance coverage for an MRI for Lori's foot.** The Orthopedic doctor found the fracture in her foot healed wrongly and there is not much they can do for that issue. He is concerned with soft tissue injury, but an MRI is needed to find out that information...our insurance seems to be delaying that possible testing. SO...not great hope given for reduction of pain...but we will see. This may be GOD's way to keep her more on her knees than on her feet!

10) PRAY for a **pastor for Lusillo and open doors for our next church plant!**

***I know WHO holds the future
And I know WHO holds my hand;
With GOD things don't just happen
Everything by HIM is planned
-Smith (not me!)***

God's will...nothing more, nothing less...NOTHING ELSE! No restrains, no retreats....NO REGRETS!

Standing boldly with faith and trust...reaching out to the lost and hurting in the NICU and PNG,
Bill and Amo, Lori and Aaron.

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