

## MIRACLES HAPPEN When people Pray

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The most powerful position in the world is when we are on our knees before the throne of GRACE. WE saw that evidenced right before our eyes this week in so many ways! Truly the effectual fervent prayers of you, our righteous partners in ministry, availed much more than you can really comprehend!



### THE MIRACLE OF LILIAN:

Our sweet **Lilian** had a very amazing week. WE started off on Sunday with extreme concern. She had an "up" afternoon then totally crashed physically Sunday night. By Monday morning she was having grand mal seizures and pain that was truly unmanageable by medications safe for her baby as well. WE thought that we were close to her death at that point. BUT you all got the update and started to pray! When people pray...miracles happen. IT was literally like a curtain, the veil of death, lifted and new strength started to just literally course through her veins! By Wednesday she was crawling (the cancer attack on her brain has caused her feet to turn inward involuntarily), and by Friday she was forcing her weight to hold her feet down so she can walk!! She is determined to come join us this next week at the ladies retreat in Lufa. IT will be a remote location...sleeping on the ground, using pit toilets, and lots of muddy rough walking...so it wont be easy but the fellowship and the teaching from GOD's Word is just what our dear friend needs so much not that she walks through this dark, shadowy valley of her death. PRAY with us that GOD will do this miracle for our Lilian. As cancer attacks and her immune system defends her life...we need to pray that she will have a good week so God's Word will have free course in her life as she hears and responds!


Please pray for her husband **Richard** and the strain all of this has put on their relationship. Pray for their two older kids (8&7), Israel and Cecilia. We have had the joy of them all living with us this week enabling us to be able to encourage and love on them a bit! (Israel was here for the big AMO birthday BASH on Friday...he had a blast!!) They are just not sure what is happening...so sad to see the look of fear in their eyes! Pray for our precious Able. We are not truly SURE of the future plans for him. His parents still seem somewhat in denial about the reality of death coming in the near future for Lilian...and we all of course do not know just WHEN that will happen. It has been hard for them to think ahead as they walk through this deep fog of cancer!

### THE MIRACLE OF EKANE:

Our dear friend who's brother-in-law cut her literally to pieces a few weeks ago has healed amazingly as you have prayed.

They have gone to village court over the matter. **She was charged K300 to pay to her husband's family** because she had been accused BY the brother in law (hence he nearly killed her) of being unfaithful to her husband who is currently living with a woman (NOT HER) he is not married to! (Ya, makes my blood boil, too!). They had to pay a little to her as well...but they ruled that it was her fault as she gave her brother in law cause to accuse her, so she deserved to be massacred! They took her four kids away and sent her out of the man's village. SHE hurts in many many ways now besides physically, as she totally denies wrong doing!!

ON the physical side, though it has been just truly incredible to watch her improvement dressing change by dressing change. Each has been an opportunity to be able to share more of GOD's perfect and unconditional love with her! ( Her brother is Steven, the man who's hand was also severely cut by a knife a year ago. The local hospital said it was impossible to close that wound and we saw GOD give him full healing and some use of

that hand now! I told her mom that we have to STOP meeting this way!  ) We have prayed long and hard for the father of these two to be saved...or live like he IS saved. He has gone up and down in his Christian life. WELL, once again we are seeing a MIRACLE. Ekane's hand was severed through from the top of her hand through and into the bones of her hand. NOT being a micro surgeon in any stretch of any imagination, we just meticulously went layer by layer suturing and reconnecting everything the best possible...and we waited, watched and all prayed. No infection developed despite the wounds being totally packed with dirt and mud. Amazing healing has taken place with minimal scaring ("Believe it or Not" has nothing on us!) and she even has some movement and feeling in her fingers...MIRACULOUS. Keep praying as we start Physical Therapy and continue to share CHRIST with this family that has seen God's Hand TWICE now do the impossible.

### **THE MIRACLE OF GOD'S STRENGTH.**

There are so many times when it just seems almost like we are watching our lives from without. What GOD is doing is just too hard to believe it really IS happening to US. Seeing the provision of strength..seeing the truth that His YOKE is truly EASY and HIS burden is TRULY LIGHT when we walk in HIS power is miraculous in and of itself.

With our sweet Lilian so very very weak and sick there has been limited sleep for me (Lori). Adding hospice care to our already busy baby/boy filled, ministry home has been a bit complex. After four nights of nearly no sleep, my body was getting weary. NOT good when exposed to so many nasty infections constantly through the clinic. When I get to the point I am starting to struggle with energy, we know it is time to call for reinforcements! Thankfully we have many eager and ready to help us in our ministry. WE had arranged for Betty, a Christian lady in the village next to us, to come watch the two babies, Able and Nezove so we could sleep a whole night (NEZOVE STILL IS NOT SLEEPING MORE THAN TWO HOURS AT A TIME...pray on!!). Betty came, I had just gotten ready for bed...turned down the covers...and KNOCK KNOCK. One of our girls was in labor. She was young, one of my Sunday School Girls that made a wrong choice. She had the entire night to realize just HOW WRONG that choice was as her labor was very intense and much loving coaching was needed to get her through. God blessed and her healthy, perfect baby boy FINALLY arrived. She listened well so there were no lacerations or episiotomies..amazing and miraculous with her small, young body to begin with!! I had the night to heart to heart talk with her as I loved her through the pains. It was an amazing night of seeing GOD'S Hand at work in chastening, healing and I trust restoring her back to her walk with Him if she allows , but it was 5am by the time I got back home. TIME to get up, get the kids all out the door (mine and Lilian's) for school and go on with the new day. One would think I would have been totally exhausted. Betty, just up with Nezove and his midnight "music" was totally wasted and went home and slept four more hours...but I had energy. GOOD energy. I did all the house work, studied and prepared for three more of my sessions for the ladies Retreat....cared for Lilian and all her visitors....cared for the babies...made lunch and dinner for all.....and by 10pm was ready to head to bed (this time dear Rosemary on baby duty so I WOULD get the rest my body needed!). The ladies just were in awe at how strong I was. I laughed and said, no, not strong just weak but filled with HIS strength! SO TRUE. One night of sleep then back in the saddle again with my dear sisters waiting and ready for when I need them again. Crazy?? No, I say COOL! Having strength that is NOT yours...being lit literally by the LIGHT of HIS SPRIT to shine out to others and glorify our Father in Heaven....now that is miraculous! THANKS for praying. WE are going strong (though I think Bill is happy to have a week off of babies as we will take both Able and Nezove with us to the ladies retreat! ).

**God told us that if we have faith as small as a tiny mustard seed we can move mountains. This week our faith must have been very strong as truly we saw Mountain RANGES moved!!**  
**Thanks for partnering.**

### **MIRACLES NEEDED**

PLEASE pray for the miraculous this next week. I (Lori) have been given the honor of being the guest speaker for the ladies meeting this next week. I will have at least two sessions (we think....it is never really a

sure thing here until it happens..) each day. PRAY for GOD's Spirit and POWER to move freely!! Pray for strength , good health for Lori and the baby boys, and for opportunities to share Christ and be a blessing to the ladies through the week. **WE personally have invited four ladies to come who NEED CHRIST.** I know my friends have done the same! PRAY they truly come and that GOD opens their heart and eyes. Pray for Bill and the boys at home. With Bill's busy schedule caring for two little boys without mom is a challenge to be sure. (Too bad there is no Pizza HUT nor McDonalds here!)

**"Great deeds are usually wrought at great risks" (Herodotus) Join us in prayer and partner with us as we desire to be willing to take RISKS as we continue to walk in faith.**


1. Pastors conference is coming right around the corner. IF you want to be a blessing to our struggling Pastor's wives and share a financial HUG (so we can provide and encouraging time of fellowship over a meal and send a PLATE and CUP home with them to be a visual reminder of our prayers), there is still time!! We really want this to be a year our ladies walk away encouraged and revitalized and recharged. We think that is the greatest gift possible for their hubbies and kid's too.



"If mama aint happy aint nobody happy" only in reverse!! Pray also for the men's sessions as we are going to tackle head on some of the cultural challenges they face...helping them to see them from a Biblical perspective! NOT easy stuff to be sure and Satan is making his protest clear already as we prepare. We are facing a HUGE battle!!!!



2) WE have started to look into tickets for Lori and the boys needed trip home. There are some good deals coming up these next months with Quantus. ANY help with frequent flyer points or gifts towards that need to get Aaron's citizenship finalized would be amazing. Our Ruthann has worked so hard in College and we want so much to be there to represent our family to share in this special time for her life as well...PRAY. God specializes in impossibles!!

3) Bill will be making a trip to Lae next weekend to purchase needed medications and check on our coworkers container being shipped. Pray this week earnestly for GOD to stretch our available funds and decrease the costs of the needed items!! PRAY for his safety as he goes and comes back. PRAY for Lori to be strong enough after a week at the "retreat" to manage everything alone...the "retreats" are not quite as "pampering" as ladies retreats back home...ha! (washing in icy cold rivers, sleeping on the hard dirt ground in a tent with hundreds of other moms and babies, ..and the pit toilets..well words can't quite explain them, one must experience them to understand!  )



4) Remember **Lori and the baby boys out in Lufa** this week. Pray for safety, good health and God's blessing on HIS WORD as it is taught to the ladies. PRAY LILIAN THROUGH THE WEEK!!

5) Continue to pray for **Devo at Lusilo**. HE did not come to church today...so next week we are going to FIND him. HE is seeking and Satan will try to tighten his chain!

6) GBBC is still need of \$5000 to finish the school year well. Please pray for these needed funds to come in the next 3 weeks.

**"People of faith mean what they say and do what they hear. They do not substitute words for action nor pious discussion for personal involvement"**  
**"the more WE give , the more GOD gets"**

May we be true pictures of Roman's 12:1-2 giving ourselves fully and sacrificially to HIS CAUSE and PLAN this

week...and watch the miracles happen as we pray and allow HIM full use of our lives!!

No reserves, no retreats, NO REGRETS!!!!

Bill, Lori and the boys

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