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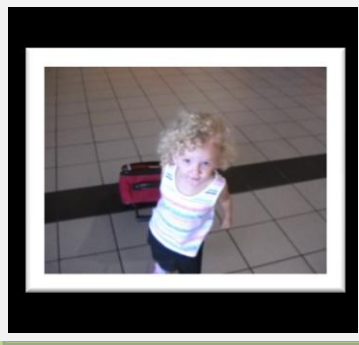
Be of Good Cheer!

"I have spoken these things to you so that you might have peace in Me. In the world you shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer. I have overcome the world." (John 16:33)

It is easy to assume that when you become a Christian everything that causes you and I pain, discomfort, or heartache in this world will be wiped away and we will live out the rest of our lives healthy, wealthy, and wise. This assumption is encouraged and fostered in popular Christian TV programs, books, radio broadcasts, and let's not forget all the many conferences hosting the popular Christian celebrities of our day. It has also found a happy home among many Sunday schools and worship services everywhere you may go. Although many will spend their time, money, and energy trying to learn how they too can obtain this perfect idea of the Christian life, the reality is Jesus never promised that we would go without tribulations as Christians; actually He said it was to be expected: "You shall have tribulation." Being a Christian does not keep you safe from pain or suffering any more than having car insurance keeps you from being in a car wreck. Although we are not guaranteed to go pain free through life, Jesus does promise that we can have peace; not from difficult situations in this life but in Him, regardless of the circumstances. We can be of good cheer, not because God will wave His magic wand and we will never be sick or injured, and we will always have all the money and material things we want, and all our problems will go away. We can be of good cheer because no matter what we may face, our Lord and Savior will always be with us. If we suffer little or greatly in this world, His grace is sufficient for us all.

Recently my family and I personally went through some tribulations. On May 21st my mother called us in PR to tell us that my Papa (grandfather) was very ill and that we should come back to the States as soon as we could. We flew out the next day. The trip back was a tribulation of its own. It took us two days of travel for a trip that normally does not take longer than 8 hours. When we did arrive, I was able to stay with my Papa for 3 days before he passed away. As he held my hand through the night, I wondered how I was going to be able to say good-bye when the time came. I had been going around with Papa all of my life. Before I was out of diapers he was holding my hand and taking me off on road trips from OH to Tenn. I have a life of memories full of journeys we have gone on together, each one filled with adventure. As the time was approaching for Papa to leave this world, the heart wrenching truth that he was about to embark on a journey that I could not go with him was piercing to my heart. I did not want to let go of his hand and I did not want him to let go of mine, but he did, once to point and to tell me he saw the Lord, another time he smiled and clapped for a song only he could hear. God did not wave a magic wand and stop him from getting tumors after he had given his heart and life to Jesus months earlier before the tumors had developed. God did not keep Papa from the tribulation of death, but He did give him and us the peace that only Jesus can as He took Papa's hand and led him into glory just as Papa let go of our hands here. Papa is now at peace in Jesus, and so we are of good cheer knowing that one day we will join him. *And I heard a great voice out of Heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away all tears from their eyes. And there will be no more death, nor mourning, nor crying out, nor will there be any more pain.. (Revelation 21:3-4)*

~David Ingram~ New Day Christian Ministry



Be Flexible

A close missionary friend shared some wisdom he had acquired over the years back when we moved to Puerto Rico. We have heard him tell it to others over the years and it is as useful to us now as it was back then. The expression goes something like this, "There are three things necessary to be a successful missionary. 1. Be flexible 2. Be flexible 3. Be flexible." The delivery of the expression varies a little but the wisdom behind it is timeless. The life of a missionary does make it necessary to be a person who is prepared to be flexible.



Due to the urgency of our departure we left PR with little time to prepare. We literally stayed up the night before packing our 6 carry-on bags and our one checked bag. We packed what we would need for the next few weeks in the States. A church member was able to come over and get all that they would need to have their meetings while we were gone. Fortunately David had already prepared 3 months of Bible Studies that were to be used for our upcoming furlough. Although we were rushed we were able to leave quickly while still able to leave our ministry prepared.



When we left we did not plan on being gone for long but life has a way of changing quickly. A week after David's grandfather passed away David was carrying a microwave down a flight of stairs when he fell. He missed the last 5 steps and landed sideways with the microwave. His ankle was badly injured. It was clear that we were going to need to stay longer than we had planned so that he could recover enough to travel. When we considered how long we were going to need to stay, the cost of the airfare, and the fact that we would not be able to stay in PR long before we would again return to the States for furlough we realized it would be best if we move the date of our furlough to August instead of October. Once again we are reminded how flexibility is truly a required trait for those of us who have chosen the life of a missionary.

Furlough 2010




Our third furlough is just around the bend! It is hard to believe we have been in PR for almost 6 years already. October 4th will mark our 6th year on the mission field. Look what the Lord has done! It truly has been an amazing time. We have so much to tell. We are looking forward to revisiting old friends and making new ones as we travel to share with the churches and ministries we have visited in the past and the new place we will visit this time around. We will be spending July getting organized for the furlough and will start traveling in August. We would very much like to visit your church, or small group. We are just waiting for an invitation. If your church or small group would like us to come and share please call us at 937-307-0694 or send us an email at: david@newdaycm.org We are waiting to hear from you!



We have prepared a letter for those of you who would like to share with your church or small group more about us and New Day Christian ministry. You can view and print the letter at: <http://www.newdaycm.org/furloughletter.pdf> We hope to see you soon!

New Day Christian Ministry Testimonials



 Hello, My name is Juana Ivette Colon. I started attending the Bible study classes with New Day Christian Ministry here in Juana Diaz , Puerto Rico after having had three hospitalizations in a year, each were about 15 days each. My last hospitalization was in December of '09. Back then I could not eat any kind of food and began to lose weight quickly. I had many medical tests done and could not find the cause. My illness was beyond science. I felt a spiritual vacuum filled by nothing. I felt completely alone, even with my beautiful family. I had internal feelings affecting the quality of my life and my health. I was in a severe depression and I was advised to seek help from a psychiatrist, which I did, only to find myself going into a worse crisis due to the antidepressant medication after taking them for just over a month. I had been away from everyone and also the Word of God but He never left me. It is never too late to recognize that He is our faithful friend, our Heavenly Father and that He can do everything.

The English/Deaf/Spanish Bible study and Sign classes with David and Heather have greatly helped me find myself and know the Word of God. I attend the Bible study every Sunday. I have now also begun to realize one of my most beautiful dreams: being able to communicate with my son who was born deaf. His two main languages are Sign Language and English, both of which I am learning now on Sundays. In December, I began to humble myself before God, to pray, to revisit the church to seek and know His Word. Truly my life changed, I am a new person. I am happy; I can now pursue my goals and my dreams and I know there are great things He has for me because I have persevered in faith and grace. All that we ask by faith will be granted. I give thanks to God first, for being a God of love and always being beside me, through the prayers of my brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus. Also, I thank David and Heather for their love and this ministry and their friendship. I love my God. Blessings to everyone. God loves you and wants for you to be blessed by Him.

~Juana Ivette Colon~ New Day Christian Ministry

Sharoo's father: Member NDCM Pakistan Lahore



For one year, my son, Sharoo Ram drove a motorcycle rickshaw and each day he would go to school with a Muslim girl, Aqsa D/O Muhammad Aslam. One day as they travelled to school Aqsa asked my son, "What is your Holy Book's name?" He answered, "We are no longer Hindu because we converted from Hinduism to Christianity by accepting Jesus Christ and we now believe in the Holy Bible." After listening to his answer, she said, "I would be grateful to you if you can give me a copy of your Holy Bible." He says, "Right now I have no Holy Bible to give you, but next Sunday I will go to the Church and buy a Bible to give you." In the Sunday prayer he bought two Holy Bibles from Pastor Samuel for \$4.00. One Bible he gave to Aqsa for religious study. After she read the Holy Bible she was so impressed by the words that she wanted to accept Jesus Christ because she believed that the Holy Bible's words were true, powerful and from the Holy Spirit of the God.

During the Christmas event, she wanted to attend the church prayer with our family. We warned her "If the Muslims find out about you, then they will try to kill you." She did not accept our warnings and came to Church with her Muslim Friend. While attending the prayer meeting, she feels a spiritual change in her life. She tells them at the church "I want to accept God's son Jesus Christ so I can spend my life in Jesus Christ, because Jesus said "All authority in heaven and on earth has been give to me." Then she would come each week to our home for more information about Christianity and was baptized by our Church Pastor. She had read in the Holy Bible, about baptism that, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned" (Mark: 16:16).

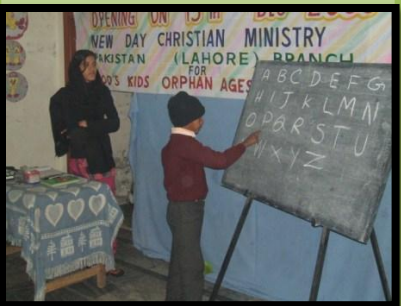
She knew that her parents were horrified because of her decision. She did not want to go back home because her family knew about her Christian conversion since she would share the Bible's words with them each day. Finally she decided to live here. So we gave her shelter in the house Minority Ex. M P A Bahwalpur (unknown place). After five days, Aqsa's friend came to our home with some Muslim people and the police. Her friend told them that Aqsa was forced to convert from being a Muslim to being a Christian. During the police conversation our Hindu neighbor, Natha Ram, told them that Aqsa was now living in Ex M P A house. Then the police removed Aqsa from the Ex M P A house and arrested Sharoo Ram. Then she told her parents and the police that she had accepted Jesus Christ from her heart and that she was forgiven of her sins and that they did not abduct me. Aqsa's father Muhammad Aslam gave 4,00000 rupees to the police for them to kill my son Sharoo Ram. Aqsa was very afraid and did not say anything.

The police tortured and killed Sharoo but they claimed that he had committed suicide. The media issued the news that he did not commit suicide according to the postmortem report. Before he died, Sharoo told Aqsa's father that he had encouraged Aqsa to become a Christian. But he said "I have no fear from any person because my Lord Jesus Christ is with me today and forever. If I died in Jesus Christ, so it's better for my eternal life."

The next day Sharoo's mother receives a call from Aqsa. Aqsa was very hurt to find out about Sharoo, but said that she also loves God and had found eternal life in Lord. Now I am feeling religious serenity. But I believe that my family members are atheists. Then my wife said to Aqsa, "I believe the police killed my son but they blamed his death on him. After the postmortem, the doctor said to me that my son died from much pain and torture, he did not kill himself. After the postmortem report, the police arrested the inspector from the police station of Bahwalpur. Now he is being punished in jail.

Sharoo was Hindu and converted to Christianity. I believe Sharoo died from pain and torture and he accepted death in the name of Jesus Christ. I request that you please pray for his family's expenses that God will provide them with blessings and peace, pray for his family's consolation.

~ Rafique Bhatti ~ New Day Christian Ministry (Pakistan Lahore Branch)



A New Home for New Day Christian Ministry

We feel it is time we hang out our shingle. It has been our desire to have a building to use for our church and also our home for several years. We found this property recently not too far from where we currently rent. The property is a 5 bedroom 2 ½ bath. To say it needs a lot of work is an understatement, but we are confident with the help of a few good volunteers it can be fixed up. It is our desire to use the bottom for church services, sign language classes, as well as housing volunteer groups. We would like to use the top level for our living quarters. We have already spoken with the bank. The asking price for the building is \$55,000 and we need to have a 20% down payment, a God size task to be sure. We are praying for God's direction and provision. Please join us in this request.



Ministry Support

As you have read through our newsletter you have had an opportunity to learn a little more about what the Lord has been doing through New Day Christian Ministry. It is not possible for us to share with you everything. We do pray what has been shared will encourage you and challenge your faith to grow. We started out as two people saying, "Here we are Lord, send us". Now, almost 6 years later, this request has grown into a reality far greater than we could have ever imagined. We have traveled further and seen more than we could have dreamed. Today we are still saying here we are Lord send us. Through God's grace and mercy many now have joined us as they too are saying, "Here am I Lord, send me," and we are so grateful they have joined us. It has not all been easy, but we never expected it to be. We do not and cannot do this on our own. We trust the Lord each and every day. Our ministry has expanded far greater than we could have ever dreamed, while at the same time, the financial support we need to pay our month to month bills has dwindled. Sadly we have also seen that many churches are cutting their missionary support from their budgets, affecting several of our missionary friends.

That is why we are so grateful to those of you who have remained faithful, and those who have stepped in and are making sure this work not only continues but continues to grow; whether it is providing food for orphans in our schools in Kenya or distributing Bibles in Pakistan. This is truly God's work and we are very grateful for all that He has been doing. We are very grateful that the Lord has been using many of you to accomplish it. We are praying the Lord will touch the hearts of a few who will partner with us in this coming year as we look forward to all the Lord has prepared.



We encourage you to pray and seek the Lord's will concerning whether or not it is His desire for you to invest your prayers, time, & financial support in this work. If you feel the Lord leading you to become more involved with supporting New Day Christian Ministry and the many opportunities we have shared with you in this newsletter, please go to our web page at: <http://www.newdaycm.org/ministrysupport.html> where you can find ways to support the ministry work God is leading you to. Your donations can be made by check or credit card, by clicking on the "donate" button under the ministry the Lord is leading you to. You can also send your donations by mail. Please be sure to write in the memo of your check or include a letter that will share with us where the Lord is leading you to invest your prayers and financial support. You can mail your donations and letters to:

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