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Time sure is flying. We sold our house as of the 20th. We had some problems with the inspections and what they found. Most of it was small, but they found what was going to be a very expensive problem in the master bath. They said the pan underneath was leaking and needing replaced. All the estimates were running close to \$2,000. One of the people who came for an estimate, actually looked at it and said it wasn't the pan that was leaking, it was the pipes in the back. So that was fixed for just over \$200. But after all that was done, we finally got the official list of repairs needed and there was some other plumbing issues, so we had to call the plumber back in. As it turned out, none of it required parts, so he fixed the problem and left \$20 for the ministry. When was the last time you had a plumber over, and he paid you? God is great and has a sense of humor. A good friend did all the electrical work and donated his time, and another good friend did the wood work problems and also donated his time. We are very blessed with talented friends.

Paul's ordination went very well, with lots of friends and family attending, in spite of the horrible weather. Micky's mother flew in for the ceremony, and then couldn't get out because of the weather. We lost power and all three of us slept on the floor in front of the fireplace. Micky's mom was able to fly out the next day and we got our power back on that afternoon. It was a horrible ice storm, with a lot of damage and major power outages. We were

definitely blessed on our trees. We lost none of the branches on the two large trees and only a few branches of the Bradford pear. It seems like everyone we know had major tree damage, and damage to houses because of the trees.

We were able to arrange training in Florida on HIV/AIDS. We were so glad to find this training. We looked all over Tulsa, and couldn't find anything. We definitely need this training and I think we will be blessed and so will the people we work with on the knowledge we will gain from this. We fly there on 14-16 January and the coming weekend after that, we drive to Colorado for our three weeks of cultural training. When we get back from there, we have two churches that want us to come to their services for preaching or presenting for the next two Sundays.

Great news!!! Our website is finally up and operational. Please check it out. www.princeministry.org

We have a great friend who fixed it up for us and is going to maintain it.

We also got good news when Micky was checking on changing addresses for our military health care. We found out that the rules changed and the military health care can be used overseas now. This will save us over \$2,000 a year, and that's more money for the kids. Speaking of which, we were told that the apartment that the church is holding for us in South Africa, has a rent much less than we were expecting to pay, so we have also pulled that off of the list of things the ministry will pay, and that's even

more money to support the kids with. And the donations are also starting to roll in a little faster now. The \$2500 we have been looking for since June has shown up. Someone gave a check to one of our pastor's at our church for us and it was \$1000. The pastor didn't even know this person. We think they saw our booth where we were selling neck coolers. We didn't sell too many neck coolers, but we're pretty sure that's what caused the check to be written. We also received two checks locally in one day for \$550 last week. Another person told us they put a check in the offering plate at church for us. Don't know how much that one was for. With what we have heard about, we should have over \$20,000 in the ministry account within the next week or two. Well on our way to purchasing that expensive vehicle we will need in South Africa.

Paul sold our car today to one of our neighbors. They were a blessing to us and hopefully their granddaughter will get lots of good years out of that car.

Micky's last day of work is tomorrow. She will miss her co-workers. They were a great bunch of people to work with. And she is hoping that she can talk "MacSteel" in South Africa (the owner of the company she works for now) into donating a roof for the orphanage that we hope to build one day. It never hurts to ask.

We are leaving for St Louis New year's eve to spend a few days with Micky's family. Micky's niece Amanda will be having brain surgery on 3 January. Please keep her in your prayers.

I think that's about it for now. We have a busy schedule the next two months, but we will keep you up to date as things progress.

God bless you, thanks for your support and your prayers.

Paul and Micky Prince