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Greetings,

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This has been such an amazing month; it's hard to know where to start. The golf fund raiser was held, and although it wasn't as successful as they were expecting, the proceeds are a nice amount and will help to close the gap on some very needed items. Even better, is all of the new contacts we made. We received a phone call from a gentleman who saw the golf event ad in the paper and said they have a huge hunt once a year in July at their game farm. He told us they wanted to donate the meat from the event this year to The Fold. Our neighbor, who has cold storage and a meat saw, said he would be happy to help with processing the meat.

De, our visitor from Grove Oklahoma, is a teacher and was a major blessing. She brought a lot of educational aids and school supplies. Our little classroom looks official now. The kids really enjoyed their time with her and didn't want her to leave. De took advantage of every minute to help the kids boost their skills.



We've spent a lot of time this month working to improve education. With the current public school option deteriorating by the day, and the arrangements for our own personal teacher taking too long, we decided on another option. The 22nd of June was the last day of school for term two, so we determined this would be the best time to enroll the kids in schools in the town of Vaalwater. We couldn't afford the private school, and didn't want to put them in the regular government schools either. However, there was one other option. It's a government school, but a higher caliber where you pay for school fees to use it. Unfortunately they will only take four of the five children. Anna is 14 and in the 4th grade. The school said they would have to put her in the 7th grade, and she would only fail, so they would not accept her. So I had to enroll Anna in one of the over crowded government schools. Since we know the principal and a teacher at one of the schools, we enrolled her there. They've agreed to put her in the 4th grade, but fast track her. The teacher will give Anna extra help and we'll do our part in the afternoons and weekends, to get her promoted as fast as possible. Anna is excited about learning and has already shown great interest in moving ahead quickly to get promoted so she can also move into the other school.

So June has had us running around getting all the paperwork done, getting new school uniforms, and talking to all the new teachers so they're informed of any potential issues. I believe Big Lucky will have the greatest adjustment. His new teacher is very strict and also very good at her job. The school doesn't allow fighting or name calling. Big Lucky tends to be a bully

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and is very disruptive in class. There's going to be some growing pains, but once he settles down, I think this school is going to be very good for him. The tuition will run about \$250 a month in additional expenses, but it'll be well worth it. We'll also be driving to town five days a week and staying in town during the day. It's too far to be making two trips a day. Micky will take her office work with her and make the most of the down time.

We were also contacted by a couple who are looking to become missionaries. They found our ad on the missionary convention website, and we've already had several chats with them. They're working to get passports for their children, and plan on coming for a survey trip as soon as they get them. They're excited about coming here, and so are we. We're hoping they'll be an answer to our prayers and we'll be an answer to theirs. The wife home schools their children which will be a huge blessing for our children as well. Once they arrive, we can all get to know each other better and see where their skills will fit in, and make a decision; as to whether we are directed by God to team up together.

We've been so blessed this month with finances and visitors. We even had a group of eight people come for a day, brought by Michael from A World Aware. They did a lot of painting and organizing for us, and there were children in the group, so our kids had a great time playing the entire day. With all the donations and golf fund raising we've received this month, we'll be able to get the additional appliances we need, some new mattresses, and even some pots and pans for the kitchen in Michael house. Michael house has been finished with the exception of making the kitchen more functional.



After dropping De off at the airport, we spent the night in Joberg and then picked up seven friends from our home church. They'll be with us for five days. It's great to have them here, so they can see what we're doing, and report back to the church. Hopefully generating interest in more people coming to spend time with us. Our home church has also blessed us with the additional funds to purchase a newer van. We should be able to find one now that's only a year or two old. What a blessing.

Prayer requests: Big Lucky and all the children in their new schools. Short and long term volunteers. The couple who are interested in being missionaries.

Praises: All the donations received this month. All of our visitors this month.

God bless,
Paul and Micky Prince