



“I being in the way, the LORD led me to . . .” (Genesis 24:27b).

Dear Friends,

**A**s Cheryl and I have been thinking about and praying for you this week, the Lord has brought to mind many of the extra ways that you have partnered with us during the last four years. Certainly your prayers and financial support have allowed us to do the ministry God has given us, but your *sensitivity* to the Lord has also allowed us to respond to needs as they are presented. We thought you might like to hear about some of the other things that have happened along the way as we continue to train local men and women to properly handle the Word of God.

**PROVIDING EXTRA HELP ALONG THE WAY**

As you know, often the Lord

causes us to notice, respond to, or care for a need as we carry out our original mission. You may be aware that your support allows us to pay translators to reproduce our notes in local languages, cover module costs, and provide simple-but-filling lunches for students. These are *regular* expenses. But just as the Scripture verse above references, when Eliezer (Abraham’s servant) was planning to water his camels, he used the need as an opportunity to let God work in his original task: to find a wife for his master’s son Isaac. The result? Eliezer found Rebekah, and his camels were fed and watered also.

Often times we find things that God would have us do along the way, too. Here are just some of the supplies that God has enabled us to provide in addition to our regular training ministry.

✦ Bibles for the men and women

- ✦ Study Bibles for some of our graduates
- ✦ Lovely handmade Bible verse memory(?) cards
- ✦ Resource books for those who are able to study in English
- ✦ Study resources for the women translators
- ✦ Evangelistic bracelets for the women’s courses
- ✦ Reading glasses
- ✦ Hydrocortisone, Chapstick,<sup>®</sup> and antibiotic creams
- ✦ Wedding dresses for a ministry inside and outside of the Church family
- ✦ Knitting and embroidery supplies
- ✦ Cake-decorating supplies
- ✦ Critical foot surgery for a pastor
- ✦ Graduation gowns and the suitcases to carry them
- ✦ Bicycles for workers in Sudan
- ✦ Laptop computers for translators
- ✦ Repairing a well that brings

clean water to over 500 people in a South Sudan village

(By the way, fighting has resumed in South Sudan, which disrupts the economy and hinders food distribution. The well is the main source of sustenance for the people of that village.)

- ✦ Roofs for two pastors' homes—one as the house was being built and the other as part of the repairs following a major storm
- ✦ Medical bills
- ✦ Medicine for some Pastors' children
- ✦ Hospitality gifts given to pastors' families with whom we stayed
- ✦ Transportation costs for local men to teach where we cannot
- ✦ One church is currently underwriting the cost for a church-planting internship for 14 men in Western Kenya, evangelizing and discipling one week each month for six months with the intent of planting a new Church in that remote village.

I am sure there are other things along the way that we have been enabled to do because of your sacrificial giving in the name of Christ, but we regrettably seem to forget “the things that are behind” (Philippians 3:13)! Many of them were simple gifts, but when given in love in the name of

the Savior, they still touch hearts!

#### HOW WERE THESE THINGS MADE POSSIBLE?

- ✦ Special gifts from ladies' groups
- ✦ Gifts from families
- ✦ Gifts from churches
- ✦ Gifts from individuals who were moved to give to a specific need. (One example is Cheryl's hairdresser, who donates a major part of the cost of Cheryl's haircut for us to use as needed.)
- ✦ Items in “Missionary Cupboards” (Yes, some churches still have them!)

All of these gifts were given cheerfully in faith by many of you. Many times we did not even know ahead of time that a need would present itself. However, we have learned that whenever someone is prompted to do something, God already has in mind a place to use it. So thank you for being sensitive to the Lord as He urges you to act on our behalf and for caring for those who you have not seen but love in the Lord.

#### OUR AMAZON.COM “PERK”

Over the past four years, those who have shopped on **Amazon.com** by clicking the icon on our website, [tri-m-boisverts.org](http://tri-m-boisverts.org), have contributed more than \$600!

This money has gone into a separate “As Needed” fund so that we are able to meet unexpected needs that arise from time to time. It prevents us from needing to make awkward emergency requests, and it allows others receiving these funds to relax, knowing they came from a special fund and did not diminish our regular mission funds for our own travel.

In the past four years, most of the Bibles for the men have come as a result of your shopping on Amazon through our website, so thank you for choosing to do this little extra thing for God's ministry through Tri-M and the Boisverts! We are thankful for each of you and treasure your partnership with us.

In Christ's love and with our sincere appreciation,

**Doug and Cheryl Boisvert**

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