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## **TIMES ARE DIFFICULT, THERE IS NO DOUBT**

Mario, the young man who took his life in December, had invited his best friend to our church. He visited our church the last Sunday before Mario died. With all that has taken place, Mario's best friend has become a regular attendee at our church services. I have visited him in his home and we are entering into a much closer relationship. He is beginning to open his heart to me. One of the first things he has shared is that he too had been thinking of suicide. We are not ignorant of Satan's schemes for he has come to kill and to destroy. Just this month, I have been with three Christians who have been struggling and even contemplated taking their own life. We are living in an extremely violent country. People are filled with fear and worry. There isn't any work. There is uncertainty about so many things. And people are so religious without any fear of God. We pray that Christ would be presented truly to each heart. Please pray for us that we might be guided by the Lord to minister to the lives of those who are being confused by Satan.

## **AND YOU WILL KNOW THE TRUTH - AND THE TRUTH WILL MAKE YOU FREE**

How cunningly Mormonism has been introduced into our country. I am meeting with a family that used to be evangelical Christians. I came to know the family through the ministry in the church that gives food items to those in urgent need. By Satanic deception, the mother of this family was taught by a group of Mormons and converted. She then brought in her sisters. Now, she wants nothing to do with God. She is very confused. It is obvious she has fallen into a lie and her daughter, who attends our church, suffers greatly because of her confusion. Please pray for this family to be set free from the Mormon deception.

## **GLORY TO CHRIST**

Being now on the property that God has given to us has helped us to understand and see many spiritual truths. It hasn't been easy in the way of physical comforts. We did not have funds available for a formal construction and the property needed a lot of attention to get ready to build. Much was done with shovels and machetes but we had not just one or two tons of earth to move - but literally hundreds. It has been a period of unified prayer to God for His help and provision. The members of

the church have not complained about the dirt and dust and most are helping to do what they can to minimize the problem. God has heard our petitions as we wait upon Him. The first week in March, the heavy equipment arrived to begin hauling out the last of the dirt. We are just about ready to draw up plans for the construction of a modest roof structure. Praise God! The Lord has carried our burdens and given us His peace because He is the one who is leading us and providing for us. That is the way it ought to be. As I shared in my last letter, we don't have engineers or architects in our church, just people who can do the work. We are being led by the Hand of God. He is leading us to build a place to praise to His name. Please continue to pray that each day we might place ourselves in His hands and be led by Him. Pray we might hear His voice and follow.

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### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- **The mercy and grace of God in our evangelistic efforts**
- **Freedom and power in the Holiness of God for our daily lives**
- **Daily protection and provision for our ministry**
- **Strength and direction to take forward the projects associated with the construction of a place for the preaching of the Gospel in this city**

In Him,

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