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People taking *JESUS* to people

The Sojourner's Report

God's Imagery

Once again, God has shown Himself the Master of the Universe. Upon arriving in Ghana, we learned that the very next morning there was to be a total eclipse of the sun. How exciting it was to be in place for the second sighting in our lifetime of this event. We arose early the next morning (in spite of our jet lag) to be ready for this wonderful phenomenon. Without disappointment, the sun began to take on the shadow of the moon until it was completely covered, as shown in this photo that Debbie took.



How amazing to think that God, at the sound of His voice, spoke all this into being. Not only that they would be ... but every motion and every calculated precise movement was put into place with the command of His Spoken Word. If we could only grasp that this God of ours is in total and complete charge of the world, the universe and yes even our lives. After all, He created each one of us as individually as He did the sun and moon. Isn't that incredible. We the people of the world, form what God intended to be a family to companion Him. As intricately as He created the universe, He so much more put His intent into the creation of man. Can we do anything less than praise Him for His marvelous works?

Answers to Prayer

Matthew 7:7 says, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened".

This is a promise that we can put all of our hope into as we walk through this life. As most of you may already know, we have been trying to raise money for a new and safe vehicle for about 2 years now with limited success. When we were in the States in January, we were meeting with our Pastor and discussing this matter. We all decided that our

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annual MOSA gathering should be a benefit concert for a vehicle. We had met a great Irish singer and musician during our time in Ireland last Fall and decided to invite him to perform.

Within a month all things came together. We asked (in a random sort of way) thirty people who were connected to MOSA to sponsor a table and invite 6 others who would come and be prepared to contribute to Missions via the "Truck Project".

God never fails and this night turned out to be a huge success in many ways. First of all, everyone we asked to sponsor a table agreed and brought their people. Some we knew, some we did not know and some we had not seen in at least thirty years.

The room was filled and the music was great. We had a light meal and enjoyed a concert of traditional Irish sounds. Paddy Malone was our performing artist and he did an excellent job of entertaining us all.

We had opportunity to show our 10th Anniversary video that Jim Parocco put together for us with the help of Pam Miller and Steve Morgan . We thank them for the love that they put into it for us. We were also able to share some vision with all who were there.

A short while later a love offering was taken. It was with faith and trust that we awaited the announcement that would rock the room. \$15,200 was given that very night with a pledge of \$5,000 to come. What an enormous answer to prayer! Now with the \$7,000 we had already raised made it \$27,200 and we were well on our way to purchasing that new vehicle. We praise and thank God for His faithfulness to us and to His ministry MOSA.

As we returned to Ghana and landed in Accra, it was our first mission to try and find the vehicle that God had waiting for us.

Well, as you can imagine, it was not going to be as simple as going to the car lot and picking out the one you like. You know, over here it is like this: "what should take a day takes a week; what should a week takes a month and what should take a month takes a year". So even with this in our minds, we faced several snags and hang-ups in the process. But we knew that God had already done it and had the vehicle for us "in waiting."

We went to the dealer that had quoted us a price of \$32,000 in 2005 and found that now the new basic vehicle was now \$45,000. So it forced us into having to find a second-hand vehicle that had not been beat to death on these roads in Ghana. One of our Lebanese friends said, (when we asked him about second hand vehicles) "you will need a lot of luck". We understood what he meant but we had God on our side.

It was three weeks of looking at cars on lots, cars owned by individuals and cars being sold by businesses. Every one we looked at started at \$37,000 and went steadily up. These were cars that were from 1997 on to 2000 models. It was beginning to become a bit frustrating but we kept our eyes focused on what God had done to get us this far and we knew that it would be done.

Finally, our friend Thomas, a businessman in Accra said he had a friend who had a 2 year old Toyota Land Cruiser that they were desperate to sell. This sounded like a good one to see so off we went to his office where the car would be brought.

When we arrived at Thomas's office, we found a 2004 silver-gray Toyota Land Cruiser. After a test spin, we went to the travel and tour business who owned the vehicle to talk details. There we met Dorothy who along with her husband owned the business. She informed us that just that morning she had spoken with the Bishop at her church and they wanted to buy it. We knew that this was the car for us, so we asked her for reconsideration since they had not yet seen it and were also looking at another. She tried to call the church but to no avail. However, she said that she felt the Holy Spirit telling her that we should have the car. Her last and final price was \$30,000. Now remember we had raised \$27,200 and that was not enough to buy car.

Answer to prayer #2: *While in transit from London to Accra we called Pastor Moses, a friend of ours whose church we always visit while in London. They have been a blessing to us over the years and again they blessed us. He and the church raised 1900 Pounds Sterling for us. Along with the money we had, it was exactly what we needed to purchase this vehicle. God being so good, his brother was flying to Ghana on the same flight as we were and Pastor Moses gave the money to him to pass along to us. Now we have*

\$30,200 to purchase the car. We smiled to realize that we had used dollars from the States, euros from Ireland, pounds from England, and cedis from Ghana to pay cash for this vehicle. Isn't God wonderful !!

Now we have to find the best way to transfer the majority of the money over here. We spoke to two banks in the States and they refused to send money to Africa because the banks were slow to pay the recipient on this side. Even Western Union was reluctant and it would take several wires to achieve our goal. It took about a week to find out all this information and Dorothy was having a bank payment to make.

So now what? Well, another Act of God ... a Lebanese friend who is a businessman gave us the cash to make the purchase and was willing to take our check. We were done.

That is our adventure in buying a car. God's car for us is a 2004 Toyota Land Cruiser...see below. A basic model with A/C, manual door locks and manual windows. No carpets for easier cleaning and vinyl seat covers. It is just what we wanted and just what God had in mind for us. Thanks to God and to all of you who sacrificially contributed to this vehicle. May God richly bless you for your faithfulness and obedience to Him.

Answer to Prayer #3 You know that saying, "a funny thing happened on the way to....", well we have one for you. We were driving on a main road in Osu, a major part of the city of Accra, in a car that a friend had loaned to us to use for a few days when all of a sudden we heard a loud explosion. We thought the engine had blown up because smoke immediately filled the entire car through all the vents and we could see nothing. It was like driving as if we were blind. We were traveling about 40mph and could not see to pull off the road because of the ditch and people walking everywhere and could not stop because of traffic all around us. At the same time, we were getting burned. Debbie's leg was burning so badly that she stuck her legs out of the window. We somehow without Keith's control of the wheel were guided over to the side of the road just at the edge of a deep ditch. Many people came to the car and helped us out safely. They asked us, "How did you stop the car and park without going off into the ditch or even knocking someone down?" We had only one answer and that was that the Angels were with us and the hand of God was upon us and brought us to safety. What a tremendous testimony to add to the ones we have already experienced with God.

What we thought was the engine on fire, was an air conditioning hose that had exploded and it was steam that had filled the car. Keith had only a few small burns on his hand and neck and Debbie had a small burn on her arm and a large one on her left leg.

We thank God for the wonderful saving grace that He continues to pour out upon us again and again. What could have easily taken our lives, turned into a great testimony to His love for us. Thank you Jesus!



Oh, What a Feeling!

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Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?" Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the One He has sent." John 6:28,29

Praise Report

Many of you know well the village of Zuprii where we planted a church here in northern Ghana in the year 2000. We have told you of how they have matured and seen marvelous miracles of God. And also you know how we have been praying for them to have clean drinking water by putting in a bore hole for pumping clean water.

Two years ago, we got so excited to see the World Bank putting a pipe into the ground to go at least 300 feet down and draw up clean water. That pipe stuck out of the ground for the whole of two years with no pump. Water was within their sight but no way to bring it out. It seems that when the company put in the bore holes, they had been given the wrong pumps and now there was no money to get the correct ones.

Last year in May when the Medical team was around from New Life Ministries International, Dr. Chris Feucht, the Missions Pastor and Director left us \$500 (the price it would take to put on the pump.) We went to the officials in that district and they gave us a run-around for about 6 good months because they wanted us to put it elsewhere. But with perseverance and prayer the job is done.

Now these great friends and wonderful people have clean drinking water within feet of their village houses. Thanks to all of you who support this village with food, water and your prayers.

