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“But as for me, I will look to the Lord and confident in Him I will keep watch; I will wait with hope and expectancy for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me.” Micah 7:7

“Keep and guard me as the pupil of Your eye; hide me in the shadow of Your wings.” Psalm 17:8

These are two verses among many that God has used to help us in our transition to retirement in Ontario, Canada after nearly 30 years in Paraguay. Sitting at Jerry’s desk and looking East into lovely backyard God has blessed us with is yet another reminder of **His amazing love**. We see that everything has its season so we start this new season or chapter knowing that He has plans for us.

He has blessed us with safe travels, good health, the sale of all our things in Paraguay, a nice home that is becoming more “HOME” as time goes by, as well as new ways to serve Him. Yes, we have started a Bible study in our home on the first and third Thursdays of the month. We have been gone by inviting our neighbors and people in the village that we know as well as six others from St. Thomas that want to see this place reached for God’s glory.

God has blessed Jerry with a job to help support us as our mission support decreases and the cost of living is still expensive. We have home improvements that need to be done and are truly thankful for his job and the support we still receive. Our retired status with the mission becomes effective July 1, we will still be able to receive support (it will be pension income instead of employment income) and you still receive receipts issued by the mission for your taxes. God is always faithful and has always provided for us and He won’t stop now that we are back in North America. Your prayers and support over the years have been a blessing and encouragement. You will always hold a special place in our hearts as you shared on our team and helped to keep us going.

We are doing better emotionally as time goes on but dearly miss our friends that we left behind. It is wonderful to have internet and still be able to keep in touch. This chapter has been the hardest on me (Sue) as I remain home. I’m thankful the weather is starting to warm and now being able to be out working in the yard is has helped. It is wonderful to be able to enjoy God’s creation and work with the earth and plants. The weeds are always growing but then they like to grow in our lives as well so our time spent with Him is so important. We are blessed to have His word in our language. It is wonderful that soon the Manjui will have Hebrews in their hands as it is being printed in their language. We are thankful for the long hours that Gordie puts into translation work plus his faithful wife and language helpers. We have been blessed for the time we had living among Manjui and things God taught us.

Love and prayers,

Jerry and Sue Jane