

January 6, 2016

Dear Immanuel Bible Church Family,

We want to thank you for your, love, prayers and financial support. The year 2015, has been one of change. Jerry's mother was 91 on April 12, and her health was on a decline. She wanted to die at home and God honored her desire. We are so thankful that God let us be near, so between his sister Sharon, and myself for her last 6 weeks on earth one of us were always with her. She went home to be with her Lord on Dec. 18.

Then on Dec. 21, my language helper and friend, Ma'esa died. Her husband Jayyin is taking it hard even though he knows she is with our Lord. He is one of the Manjui church leaders and needs prayer as they still have an 11 yr. old daughter, Sarah to raise.

But in May, the Manjui recieved the complete New Testament in their own language. Now they have the picture of Heaven and the confident hope of having all eternity together.

We have lead Brief share program in our home and it has helped us and others. God's timing is always perfect and we are grateful for His love and care. Also we host a Bible Study in our home on Thursday nights. We are trying to reach the people here that don't go to church. It is slow going and we are seeking God's help for direction on how would be best to go at it. But we see growth and give God the glory.

She also volunteers across the street ~~at~~ the nursing home. This gives her a chance to encourage others and has time to read the Bible to others. Jerry does church once a month and there are about 20 or so that come out to listen and sing.

Jerry is able to work part time and that helps to pay the bills too. He has a Christian boss but works with unsaved men so he has opportunity

to share the truth as he ~~works~~ works along side of these men.

Sue also tries to make it over to her parents once a month to help them. Her dad will be 88, this month and he is in good health. He takes care of her mom so she is able to be at home, as she couldn't make it alone. Again we are thankful to be ~~available~~ available for our parents in the closing chapters of their lives. They have been there for us all these years and it is a blessing to be able to give back. God is so good all the time!

Our daughter, Maria (Jane), is living in Toronto. She is very good at getting around the huge city on the public transportation system. Believe me when I say she is never out of my sight as I fear I would be lost. She has a good job in the hotel industry and is still attending UoT. a class at a time. We are thankful for her wisdom and perseverance. A prayer request is that she would find a growing, Christ-centered church that she could get involved in.

Well I've written lots and not left much white empty. But my Immanuel family of yesteryears will always be dear to me. It was from Immanuel that I made my step into full time missionary service. There are many cherished memories of learning, teaching classes, working, fellowshiping and hosting every family in my apartment during my full two years there. So much love and thanks for your faithfulness to God and your prayers, love and support for us. Thank you and again thank you.

Love and prayers
Jerry & Sue Petters

the computer is harder on my back than sitting at the desk. Please forgive me.