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Dear Praying Friends,

I have been reminded how the Lord promised to be a Shield for us. He certainly has been! Already this year has seen some battles and some victories for those in the church. Several of the church people and teens have recently faced battles in their personal lives. While each of their circumstances are truly difficult in themselves, the most dangerous effect is what the struggle can do in the realm of their mind and in their spirit. Some have been very deeply discouraged, but the Lord has also been working. It has been a blessing to see some who have been struggling come back to church or keep their faith in the Lord during a difficult time. Most church members face these spiritual battles supported only by the Lord and their church family, since their actual families are usually unsaved and sometimes part of their trial!

A soul was recently saved during a youth rally, and we have several new people in our Bible study class. Please pray for these young people to surrender to the Lord! Four church ladies who took a Bible Institute class last year chose to enroll for the full three-year course. Their eagerness for the Bible is even evident in church services: now, they sit with their notebooks out and often have questions afterwards. One of these ladies has started discipling others by herself now, and she is doing an amazing job!



Youth Rally

The Lord has been a Shield in the school ministry as well! In January, one school almost closed my program due to pressure from the influence of other churches. However, the Lord intervened, giving me grace in the eyes of the leadership who provided unexpected support. In fact, today, I was informed that the ministry at the other school, where I teach Bible club, was also called into question by a church group who had complained both to the teachers and to the headmaster. Once again, the Lord intervened. A teacher surprisingly stood up for the Bible Club, supporting the fact that we taught only the Bible, not any church traditions. She later told me she likes the lessons that are taught, and said, "That church isn't here to teach and you are!"

While there definitely have been spiritual struggles and successes, there has also been a whole other aspect of missionary life: mundane maintenance! I've already lost count of the hours I've spent in different offices this year sorting issues with paperwork from maintaining my status here to keeping my phone line active, doing paperwork for my apartment, and even vehicle maintenance. I am extremely grateful that although these processes are often long and drawn out, they do not present any real uncertainty of reapproval. Usually it just takes a lot of patience and persistence.

May the Lord continue to be your Shield through your spiritual battles!

In His service,

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