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Dear friends,

Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ once said to his disciples: *In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.*"

When we face trials, either at the feeding centers, office, during river trips, or at the boys and girls homes, these encouraging words give us strength to keep going forward with our ministry. We know that troubles will always be there, but we also know that someone somewhere is whispering a prayer for us or raising funds to feed a hungry child or to make a difference in the life of the people that we serve! THANK YOU SO MUCH!

COVID-19 was a huge trial to our ministry but we thank God that now our hospital in Bluefields is free from

COVID patients. The children are not asked to wear a mask to come to the feeding centers, so confidently we are inviting all mission teams to come and visit us. We have so many projects to tackle together. Just make sure you've taken your COVID shot already.

Last month, we celebrated 18 children's birthdays that were born in one of the first three months of the year. This was a very special day for most of them because it's not something common in a poor family circle.



Two years ago, due to different reasons, the foster homes had to redirect their focus. Now they are functioning as Boarding Homes for underprivileged, rural children that are seeking further education. Currently, we have five boys and seven girls. Four are in elementary school and the rest are in secondary school. The majority are doing well with their studies. We don't have a budget for this new program, but approximately \$200 dollars per child per year might be sufficient.



Boarding home residents

Regardless of the increasing cost of medicine and fuel, we still do clinics and regular devotionals in rural communities along the river. Now we have added one more service for the patients, which is known as Aroma Therapy. This therapy is given to those with muscle and articulation pains. Many patients have expressed their thanks for the relief they received after therapy.

In the last week of June, we are planning on having another pastors and midwives training. Please pray for safety for those that will be traveling to come to the training.



Devotional time and clinic visit

We also request prayers for the boys and girls at the Tabitha boarding homes, for the children at the feeding centers, for the medical team, for the people that we serve, for the staff, and for us, as well.

Shalom,

Dr. Bernardeth Kelly and Pastor Adrian Bobb

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