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Hey hey,

Greeting friends, family, and supporters.

It is always good to praise the Lord, is it not? I truly thank God for His long suffering and patience that He has and for His faithfulness in always providing. I can look back over the years and truly see His hand at work in many different ways. Earlier today responding to a question that a friend asked I explained some possible future goals and what not. Through the course of the letter I explained how the Lord is providing both ministry opportunities and the funds to pay for the ministry. This opened up a time of reflection and looking back I am amazed at how the Lord has brought me through and on so little. At one point in my life when I volunteered to work with a discipleship ministry home I had zero income for over a year yet here I am still alive and kicking.

I do know that these are difficult times for many people. I am on a prayer chain out of my home church there in the States and I see plenty of requests for prayer asked by brothers and sister who have lost their jobs. It is heart breaking. Things may be picking up back there, I do not know. Recently a family member of Gloria's left for the States to work in a kitchen on a cruise ship. With his local high school diploma, six months of VoTech, and two years experience in a five star hotel in Manila he is now pulling in roughly \$5,000 a month butchering meat. Yet our hope is not in the economy or any government but our hope is in the Lord.

We are all doing good over here. Financially and as family we are taken care of. Sure it is Gloria who is generating our family's income and as a medical doctor in a fallen world we do have a sense of security and stability. My greater concern is ministry funds and opportunities; well, at least in part. I do desire to be the bread winner for the family but now is not the time. Ministry is going good right now and I am as satisfied now as I have ever been when it comes to serving the Lord. I recently entered into a contract where I will write and produce at least four evangelistic comic books. The first story has already been sent off to the illustrators and I am working on the remaining. Lord willing the four comic books will be produced and released over the course of the next two years. The cost is in the neighborhood of \$10,000 and this will provide for ACTION Philippines 8,000 books total. ACTION will also have the plates to print more if they wish but I will focus on producing the initial books and fulfilling the contract, a legally binding contract, with the company that is illustrating the comics. I am very excited about this endeavor.

I have also been allowed the privilege to help in the teaching of the book of Genesis to a growth group of the church that we attend. To go through Genesis will entail 75 lessons over the course of the next year and a half. The leader of the group has been teaching for a number of years now and wanted a breather so for now I am now in the driver's seat as far as teaching is concerned. Recently I was presenting about eight different theological theories as to the origins of the universe, most of which accommodate an old earth so as to correlate with modern science. In each of the arguments I presented why I thought the theory was flawed except for the literal young earth theory. Nevertheless at the end of the study one young man came up and mentioned how he often wondered how Genesis correlates with science and how he can now understand Genesis as more than just a myth. It was not the response that I was hoping for as I believe in a young earth created by intelligent design but as he is someone who believes in evolution I guess it is a step in the right direction.

Last of all a quick update on Timi Louise; she truly seems to be coming along. She definitely still has symptoms of autism but she seems to be progressing. If you recall the stats I gave a year or so ago less than half of the kids who enter treatment fully recover but over 90% recover to a point to where they can function well in society. We do not know if Timi Louise will recover fully but I am confident that she is not of the 10% who never come to a point of being able to hold a job and what not. We hear stories of autistic adults who go on to be medical doctors. With this in mind Gloria has rekindled her vision of having a second Dr. Craig in the family. This is fine with me as it means less effort in trying to recruit doctors for medical missions.

God bless,

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