THROUGH THE STORM MINISTRIES

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Merry Christmas! And a very Happy New Year!

Dear friends and partners,

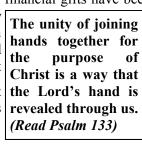
Phil and I want to take the time to visit and share with you today as we think back over the year. We want to let you know how much your love, prayers, encouragement and financial gifts have been used to show Jesus to those that are hurting and as a family gets propane so their children can feel

lives are being changed. I can see the looks of joy the warmth again, but the real warmth comes from the love you gave to make this possible. I wished hands together for we had taken better pictures of this so you could see a little of what we experience. We tell everypurpose the of one that Jesus loves them and He is the one that put the love in your hearts and ours for them. Christ is a way that the Lord's hand is The desire of Through The Storm Ministries is that ministries work together for the purpose of Christ. Because we join together with different ministries they and we are able to reach a lot more people for revealed through us. Christ. (Read Psalm 133)

An example of this is on Thanksgiving. City Wide Club had a lot of turkeys, but was in need of canned goods. Victory Gospel Church had canned goods, but was in need of turkeys, so we assisted and exchanged canned goods for turkeys. Hundreds of people benefited because of this unity for Christ, KSBJ radio calls this church without walls. We call this letting Christ grow,

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In August, Phil and I accompanied 48 children to camp, what a Kenya! time we had! These children experienced a dream come true The Lord has kept us busy here in the States telling and showbecause Country Camp in ing His love, however we in no way have we let go or could Columbus, Texas, Victory ever let go of what the Lord has spoken to us in May of 2000. Gospel Church, Assembly Thank you for standing with us as we continue to believe that of God Church in Magnothe Lord is able and will do what He says He will do. He is lia, Through The Storm growing us up in the spirit, teaching us His ways so when He Ministries and many of you is ready we will be ready as well. We want to let you know that helped sponsor these where we are at concerning the orphanage. We currently children all joined hands have \$42,396.15 and only need \$7,603.85 more and then we for the purpose of Christ. plan to go back to Kenya to purchase the land for the orphan-What a joy to see these age! Little by little makes a bunch! children receive salvation and be filled with the Spirit of God. **Astounded! Reached by love** This Sunday at the nursing home Bill got saved!!! It was obvi-Jesus said in Mark 11:24, "Therefore I say unto you, What ous that Bill is in the last years of his life. He is the last one of things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye rehis family of a wife and two children to accept Jesus. He was so ceive them, and ye shall have them." happy! It was during a time of the pouring out of God's love In Acts chapter 12, the Bible tells us that a great wave of perthat brought Bill to repentance. In Bills words, "Glory be!" secution was executed against the Church, Herod had the apostle Peter imprisoned in maximum security. Verse 5 reads Current needs of this ministry "...but praver was made without ceasing of the church unto \$7,603.85 to complete the balance of \$50,000.00 needed for the God for him." As a result of the intercessory prayer, an angel land. was sent to Peter to wake him up out of his sleep, cause the Budgeted funds for the building and furnishing of the orphanchains to fall from his hands, lead him past the "sleeping" age complex is (\$250,000) guards, "unlock" the prison gates and to deliver him out of Musicians and singers for monthly nursing home ministry. prison and into the street. Your prayers and support are very, very important!! Thank (Continued on page 2) you.





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so people can see Jesus in a much bigger way.

This Christmas, we have been working with Bridge of Love, Humble Christian School, Praise Center Christian Academy, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts to collect 100 back packs full of gifts to be sent to an orphanage in Mexico. In our next letter we hope to have pictures to share with you about this.

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Peter came to his senses and went immediately to where the saints were gathered praying for him. But, starting in verse 13, we see that the girl who answered Peter's knock as well as the praying occupants were *"astounded"* at the prospect of Peter being miraculously freed and needed to be convinced through Peter's persistent knocking. They believed that God would work on Peter's behalf but were astounded at what God did.

A similar situation happened to me a few weeks ago. We received a good report from a couple who are longtime friends of ours that was out of character from their historical behavior. I couldn't believe it. Was this the same couple that we knew? Then God seemed to say to me. **"Duh, you've been praying for them, haven't you**?" After I recovered from the shock that God would use the word "duh", I remembered that they have been on my prayer list for more than a year! I believed that God would work on their behalf but I was astounded by the report.

Keep praying and believing! God is able to do more than we expect and you may be astounded by His works.

Eph. 3:20 ²⁰Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us...

Phil



Potential 6 acre orphanage site in Gatundu, Kenya

About Through The Storm Ministries

The mission of Through The Storm Ministries (TSM) is to minister the love of God by providing assistance for individuals through unexpected, extraordinarily difficult times in their lives. This includes the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. (Mat 25:35)

We are committed to remaining debt free. (Rom 13:8)

TSM is registered as a non-profit organization according to Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All donations to TSM are tax deductible.

TSM operates as **Through The Storm International**.in the nation of **Kenya** as a nongovernmental organization (NGO).