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Dear Friends,

It's hard to even write this letter as **we have such a heavy heart for our community**. We are extremely sad for the devastation of the latest tornadoes. The power of the weather still amazes us - a reminder that we are not in control. Lots of prayers for those who are involved.

**We are in the final days before leaving for our mission trip to Zambia. The team has planned, prayed, and prepared.** We are ready and excited to see what God is going to do in those who are going and in those to whom we minister. See **our enclosed card with prayer requests and itinerary**. Keep in mind that we are getting up about **the time you are going to bed - a good time to pray for us!**

**One aspect of the mission is to show the Jesus film outside on the Saturday night after we minister at the school that week.** This community is not a planned community; it was just settled by people. So, there are no water or power services to the community. The community is a slum area. The homes are made of mud bricks with tin roofs, which are not secured; they have rocks on top to keep the roof in place. Many homes are occupied by single parents or even homes headed by a 16 year-old child with younger siblings.

Even though their culture has a lot of exposure to Christianity, much of their religion is mixed with superstitious or wrong beliefs. We are anxious to see their response to the film. Our challenges include using a generator for power, projecting the audio loud enough, and making sure the projector is bright enough. Since there is no power in the neighborhood, the movie will attract a lot of attention. **Please pray for the Lord to bless that film viewing and our interaction with the community.**

**Thanks to the support of many of you, the funding of the mission trip is complete!** We always have unexpected expenses, but the Lord always provides for these expenses through His people. **Please remember that you are all part of this mission as you pray for us!**

**You have probably seen the faces of African children in magazines or on TV.** Those pictures tug at your heart. But ours are **not nameless faces** in a magazine but are children that we know. Part of our goal with at Wisdom Community School is to **give them hope**. We want them to know that there are **people who care** about their education, their lives, and their spirits.

Each one of our team working with the children will have a group of six children in the morning and six in the afternoon. We want to get to know each child and their life situations. We will be able to share God's love with them individually and personally. We want to be able to pray for them and support them emotionally, intellectually, and spiritually. **We will share some of their stories when we return so that you can join us in those prayers.**

One of our concerns while we are gone are the people with whom we meet for marriage problems. Please **pray for those people** to seek the Lord for their marriage while we are gone.

**Thank you for your continued support through prayers and donations. We could not continue this ministry without you! We love and appreciate you and your support of what God is doing!**

Our love in Christ,

Donna and Ed Edwards

**P.S. Please praise the Lord with us for supplying the funds and the team for this mission!**

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