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Dear Praying Partners,

First, I apologize for this letter being so late. I thought I had written a letter in March, but after checking my records, I can see I was wrong. Again, my sincerest apologies to you, my faithful uplifters.

We have had a great past few months. First, and foremost, I want to thank our Savior for drawing people to Himself, convicting them of their sin, showing them His grace, and saving their souls. We have found that many of the stories of people getting saved are the stories for multiple seeds being sown by multiple people over multiple years. The ground is hard, stony, and weedy, but the Lord knows how to prepare the ground so it is good and receptive to the Gospel. One such example is a teen named Jess. She is a relative of a family that we have been ministering to since 2012, and she has been coming to Sunday School and Youth Club intermittently for the past four years.

For a few weeks in a row, Jess had been asking her cousins questions about the different accounts recorded in the Bible, who God is, and what the afterlife will be like. Last Sunday, the Sunday school lesson was about salvation, and Jess and the other teens asked questions of what it is like to die and what happens afterward. Her teacher invited anyone that had more questions to talk to her afterwards. Well, Jess went to her teacher and told her that she wanted to get saved, and soon after that, she asked Christ to save her.

We also had an amazing service this past Easter Sunday! We had over 150 people in attendance! That may not seem shocking to you. However, if you consider that our church normally seats 80, that number is incredible. I am honestly not caught up with numbers, for as soon as I am, we'll have a Sunday where most of the congregation is on holiday (vacation), and it will seem like a ghost town. As amazing as Easter was, it was even greater to give our many visitors the saving Gospel of Christ. Please pray that the seeds sown will still germinate in those hearts, and that they will respond to God's gracious gift.

The biggest highlight of our Easter Sunday was the baptism of 14 believers in Christ. One such believer is a woman named Marge. Marge is a 71 year-old lady who had received the Lord before coming to our church, but she had never been baptized nor ever taken part in the Lord's Supper! Her previous church had a policy of not doing these ordinances because there may have been those that didn't understand them. Marge said she is grateful to now be at a church that will do what the Lord commands. Please be in prayer as we try to help as many as we can follow the Lord in His Word.

Because of His Great Love,
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and others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire"

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