"In all their afflictions He was afflicted." (Isa. 63:9)

Dear Praying Friends,

We greet you in the name of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ who daily reveals himself to us as a wonderful, loving God. The thought in Isaiah 63:9 is a wonder of this love for us. O what love that he should die for me! O what love that he should promise never to leave me, nor to forsake me! Isaiah extols the love of God in that even in our afflictions, He grieves with us, He shares the load of our burden, and even bears us up in his arms when the going seems unbearable.

Our thoughts have been much with David Fields, in the loss of his wife, Elwanda. They were the missionaries who were instrumental in our coming to faith in Christ. They were to many in Mauritius: Mama and Papa fields. Both Marilyne and I are so appreciative of their spirit of sacrifice, example of the Savior and model of servant hood. They are just precious to the people they served (Zambians, Togolese, Mauritians, and Kenyans), and the Lord whom they served.

In her death, the verse Psalms 116 comes alive, "precious in his sight is the death of his saints". For Papa Fields, and the family that remains, may we urge you to pray that in their affliction that they may find the Lord a compassionate Savior who grieves with them, and an able Lord who bears them in his comforting arms.

We have been busy these past months. The wedding of our daughter, Joy Hilary, to Matthew Nissley was a grand moment of sheer joy and blessing. The visit of my roommate, Lewis Huffstutler, and his wife as guest to the wedding and guest speaker for our edifying campaign and home coming services, has turned out to be one of the greatest time of blessing to the Victory Baptist church. Continue to pray that the decisions that were made will have lasting value.

Continue to pray for the move and wisdom as we go about to establish a work in Mahebourg, which is a town south of us. So far we have been committing the challenge to the Lord in prayer. But more and more the burden is getting stronger and stronger as we learn more and more about the needs.

Our children are fine. Tim and Daisy are involved in an endeavor to bring the reality of the Gospel message to unsaved church folks. Pascal and Becky are such a blessing to our congregation. We will miss them as they return to the USA for a short furlough. Pray for Lionel and Grace as they seek the leadership of the Lord for a visit to Mauritius. Lionel has some health issues that we wish to commend to your prayer concern. Remember to pray for Matthew and Hilary and for wisdom in their ministry in Mauritius.

Dear praying friends, as we close, we wish to thank you for your prayer and financial support. We are so appreciative of every one of you who writes and regularly encourages us in the work of sharing the great love of our Lord. O what Love! O what privilege! O what great responsibility is laid on us! May the Lord bless you for your labor of love.

Your missionaries, Guy and Marilyne Grenade