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Africa Update Bill & Judy Kirsch

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I recently received a response from an email I sent to one of my students. I feel prompted to share this particular email with you as an insight into what some of our fellow believers' face. I have redacted the email to protect his identity...

Accept greetings from [country] and thank you for the concern and prayers.

I just came into [city] yesterday after spending three months in the [region] where we lived life an everyday ordeal of gunshots, brutal killings, deprivation from any good internet connection, and very limited movement.

We are thankful to God that we are alive, as there were days that we laid on the floor all day for fear of stray bullets.

I am feeling much better now, and the doctor had advised I could continue with my academic activities, though at the moment suffering from malaria.

My family have equally gone through some health challenges. My wife's brother was caught by the military and heavily brutalized, and fractured his leg. He spent a whole month in the hospital. We have had countless relatives killed as a result of the crisis. The military enters people's houses and pull people out and kills them for no reason what so ever. More details in August.

Thanks for your continued prayers. Looking forward to seeing you in August. Your student. [name withheld]

I trust this email will serve as a reminder of fellow believers whose life circumstances are a daily challenge and will encourage you to pray for them

I leave the end of July to travel to Togo for a month-long session with this student and others who come from all over Africa to be trained in order to equip and disciple leaders in their home countries (2 Timothy 2:2). Please uphold this PAThS session and our students in prayer during this time. Some come at great personal expense and extremely difficult life situations.

Thank you for your support that enables us to continue this work of equipping and enabling key leaders for Kingdom work.

Sincerely, Bill & Judy Kirsch