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Dear Friends,

PIM teachers often have life circumstances which are distinctly divergent from our daily experiences. In our day and age generations of families do not live in close geographical proximity. Grievances accumulate as the next generation adds its own offenses to feuds. Often people lose their lives to this generational hatred. With this type of situation one might participate in violence or live in great fear, yet this PIM teacher goes in prayer to the only One who can help any one of us. Albert Silas told Penny Schering:

*My younger brother Nelson sustained injury and injured another young man who attacked him. In retaliation the family of the young man paid \$1,000 to a witchdoctor (sanguma) to have me killed through sorcery because I am the oldest in the family. They wouldn't be able to get to my brother until they first eliminated me. Fearing the sorcery, many of my family and friends in the village told me not to travel for one month—"It wouldn't be good if the sanguma shot you."*



Albert teaching in his classroom.

[Editor: The arrows are invisible, but stories from reliable people seem to confirm that something happens to individuals targeted through witchcraft who feel something piercing their skin like an arrow and soon afterwards experience serious sickness which often leads to death. People in general are deathly afraid of it.]

*I fasted and prayed for three days, praying Psalm 35 and quoting it over and over to myself and to the Lord. I asked that the Lord would confuse their "round table." I didn't ask for their death but that the Lord would separate all the men who were in the plot against me. With faith in our God, Mexlene and I sent our boys to Tonquiamb over*

*Christmas break by themselves. The God whom I worship has strength much greater than all the power of the enemy. In the weeks following my fast, adulterous affairs were exposed and the men who paid for my death fought amongst themselves! The Lord did it as He said in Ps 35.*

*While I fasted and prayed, I had six requests: 1) I would be posted to Tonquiamb for teaching this year, 2) Nelson, my brother, would be healed of his injuries, 3) we would have school fee money for Freddy, 4) our family needs would be supplied for Christmas break, 5) I would have a shift in my ministry focus, and 6) I would raise the standard of ministry. The first one was*

*answered, Nelson is healed and well, we are doing fund raising for Freddy, monies gained from watching over the compound at Christmas supplied family needs, I was asked to preach three times at SSEC, and I'm still praying for the sixth. I plan to fast and pray to thank the Lord for everything he answered.*

*One answer to my prayer is that God used me to preach His word in two local churches last year, Jama #1 and #2, where many youth were attending the worship services. Mania church also asked me to preach at a weekend convention, and we saw the power of God as many there also gave their lives to the Lord. It has been my prayer for a while to preach at an SSEC church, and Ambunti SSEC gave me three Sundays!*

[Ed (Penny): Eric and I were thrilled to hear Albert preach well.]

Understanding directs these PIM teachers to seek help from the Heavenly Father, who promises to give wisdom and help to anyone who asks. Thanks to God our helper, shield, and defender!



Yours in Christ,

Douglas Heidema

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED!** At the end of February there was a massive 7.5 magnitude earthquake centered in the highlands of the country with over 50 aftershocks occurring over the next days. A week later the death count is over 100 and climbing. Landslides destroyed homes, and smothered gardens leaving people short of food and clean water. Severed bridges and roads mean aid must come by aircraft. Eric Schering and Rueben Wak (one of our key national leaders) have become involved in the relief effort.

PIM works on the northern side of the central mountain range. We are thankful few houses have been damaged nor have there have been any fatalities in our area.