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"O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph. For the LORD most high is terrible; He is a great King over all the earth...God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet." (Psalm 47: 1,2,5)

These verses reminded me of the experience of Joshua and the children of Israel at Jericho (Joshua 6). Following God's instructions, they marched around the city walls with trumpets sounding. On the seventh day, they gave a great shout and the walls fell flat, leading to an astonishing victory. But for the people of Jericho, excepting Rahab and her family, it was a day of doom. We all like to be with the winners, but how terrible for the losers when their losses are eternal. I meet such people every day at the clinic.

To say the clinic is busy is nothing new. Sometimes I wish I had the in-depth of knowledge of four or five specialists to deal with the problems our patients have. Here are some of the recent challenges: a five month old girl with a large abscess in her right breast/chest area; a 73 year old man with a blood pressure of 236/118; a 49 year old man with chronic, non-alcoholic liver disease; an 82 year old man with a thyroid cyst; a 30 year old woman with unexplained congestive heart failure; several patients who have had strokes with various disabilities. While the physical problems vary and there may be several treatment options, I am very glad that there is one answer for every person's spiritual devastation due to sin, and that is repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Praise** I get a nasty cold once a year thanks to my generous patients. Things are gradually getting better, for which I am grateful. God has graciously given me the strength to keep working. St. Raphael now has electricity, including street lights! The high tension lines are continuing past this property to carry electricity to St. Michel, the next major town south of us. It is possible that we may be able to get electricity to the Wallondri area from those lines.

I now have internet access via a wireless dial-up "stick." It finally allowed connection with my Microsoft Outlook program. We are wondering if the power lines will also mean DSL capability, a nice replacement for the satellite system that is phasing out.

**Projects** We are updating the cost estimates for the residence, making sure to add such details as a septic tank. The last line of the new estimate reads, "The increase demanded by the state—25% of the old salaries (i.e. last year's labor cost)." That will make a difference in the total cost. We are also looking at the possibility of barbed wire for the property borders until such time as a wall is possible. **Prayer** Please pray for the junior church kids who are showing an interest in spiritual things. We continue to witness to patients, their families and friends, and want to see more spiritual fruit for our labors.

We are commissioned to persuade the prisoners in the chain gang of sin, headed to judgment, to break away and join the joyous parade of the redeemed, going to the coronation of King Jesus and a life forever with Him in His kingdom of righteousness. May we have our Lord's concern and compassion for everyone we meet as He calls out a people for His name.

In our Lord's service,

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