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Dear Ministry Partners:

May has been a month of sweltering heat. We had a record high here one day of 111° F! I kept a wet cloth around my neck and ran the ceiling fans especially in the afternoons to stay cool. Most homes here do not have air-conditioners. I am so looking forward to our rainy season of June and July!

My main ministry here is evangelism and discipleship of women. I am also involved in two other ministries, the prayer team and the usher & greeter team. All Sundays for the month of May, I had to come 30 minutes before our first service to pray with the greeter & usher team. The first Sunday, I had a sore throat so I volunteered to be the gatekeeper for our Sunday School children to avoid talking while greeting people. We do not have a church building. We rent a house for our Sunday School classes and small group meetings. We rent a square lot with a tent for our Wednesday and Sunday services.

Tent where we hold our Wed. & Sun. services



My Usher & Greeter Team



As a gatekeeper for the children, my job was to make sure no child departed out the door alone. I also needed to make sure that the right child went with the right parent. We had a recent incident here where the mother got upset because her son went home with the dad. As it turns out, she is separated from her husband and has child custody. I had heard about the incident but did not really know who the woman was. Well... last Sunday this woman came up to me while I was at the gate saying... "This is my son. He will go home with me and with no one else. I am separated from my husband. Please make sure no one else picks him up." I communicated with the Sunday School supervisors that this boy is the son of the woman who made a big hullabaloo a few weeks ago. I mentioned to my team leader via walkie-talkie that the boy whose mom got upset a few weeks ago is in our Sunday School. Everyone was on high alert as we did not want another incident with this mom. Praise God, I managed to finish my five Sundays without any "scandal".

## Working as a gatekeeper

As I was sharing with some ladies over lunch on what happened, we came to the conclusion that every time the Word of God is being taught the enemy will always try to disrupt the meeting. Hence, the need for us to pray together as a team to equip us for what could possibly happen. I am very grateful my usher and greeter teammates are committed to praying and serving together to do our best to minimize all possible distractions that would prevent the teaching of God's Word. What a joy to see God at work each Sunday, knowing we have committed the spiritual warfare to His power!

I remember what Christa Foote, our women's ministry leader mentioned to us once, "It is those who are serving who see the miracles". She cited the verse in John 2 where Jesus turned the water into wine. Only the servants (who drew the wine that Jesus changed from water into wine) knew the miracle that happened. Do you want to see miracles? Start serving!

Have a great summer!

Sincerely:

Angie Velasco

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John 15:5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing". Pray for me to daily abide in Christ. Thank you.