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Dear Prayer Partners,

How important is prayer in our daily life as a believer? I must confess that prayer is not always a high priority in my life like it should be. When I am praying about a situation or person, I struggle to understand what exactly I should ask for and how long I should continue praying for the same thing. I find myself repeating the request of the disciples as they asked Jesus, "Lord, teach us to pray," in Luke 11:1. As I was pondering how long I should continue bringing the same request before God, God led me to Luke 18:1-8. There are times that God does not answer prayer in my time frame, not because He will not answer that prayer, but because I need the continual reminder of my dependence on Him to meet that need through repeatedly bringing the need before God. God gave me peace to continue praying until He answers or changes my request. I am certain that God will answer, though I do not know when or by what means.

The end of April found me at Southland Camp near Ringgold, Louisiana, for a week of orientation with Baptist World Mission. It was a refreshing and encouraging time being with fellow deputation missionaries and BWM staff. Over the next three Sundays, I had meetings in Minnesota, Iowa, and Ohio. I was encouraged to see God at work in each of these meetings. I was also challenged by several believers who shared their testimonies with me. God is at work and desires to use each of us! God has blessed me with more support bringing me up to 49%.

I was able to visit my parents and siblings for a couple days as I passed through lowa. I went fishing with my brothers and sister. We caught and speared some carp and buffalo, and I lost my balance on a log and fell into the river. I have another meeting in lowa soon and am looking forward to doing some more fishing with the family. I spent the last couple weeks of May catching up on some office details that are difficult to accomplish while traveling on the road.

I have my tickets and visa in hand for my upcoming trip to Uganda. I plan to spend three weeks in Uganda beginning July 17 catching up on details with the Madi team as well as following up with the Lhukonzo team. Both translations are making good progress. I have finished checking 1 Thessalonians and am starting on 2 Thessalonians. A seminary student interested in Bible translation will be interning with the Madi team this summer. Praise the Lord for more laborers! He will be a tremendous help to translation team, and I trust he will learn much during his internship that will assist him in the ministry that God is leading him into. Please pray that our trip to Uganda will be profitable as well as for safety in each part of the trip. Serving the Lord,

Anders Swanson





Praises:
Time with family
New support
God's provision and
leadership
Fellowship with fellow
believers

Prayer Requests:
Profitable Uganda trip
Madi team: group checks
Understanding checking
Colossians; 2 Thessalonians
Growth in my walk with
God





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