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Re: Update on Raman

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Dear Praying Friends,

The Lord has answered our prayers, albeit in a way we did not expect. but greatly rejoice in. What the Lord has done for Raman is nothing short of miraculous and I want to express our greatest appreciation to all of you who have prayed. I get excited watching the Lord work and could get longwinded about it so let me give you the short story.

Every door to try and get Raman back to Botswana closed and he cannot return to Botswana until July of next year. I called the Faith Bible Institute in the US to ask for special permission to take Raman's books and a set of DVD's with the recorded classes to Zimbabwe so that Raman could study there - alone. As I discussed it with the registrar I asked her if there was ANYONE in Zimbabwe doing FBI to which she replied, There is one, missionary Jeff Porter."

I and Cindy met Jeff and his wife Cindy at a Missions Conference in the US a few years back and he is also a fellow BIMI missionary. A few phone calls later and the arrangements were made. Brother Jeff is going to give Brother Raman a place to stay, the opportunity to work in their ministry in Zimbabwe, and we have transferred Raman to the Faith Bible Institute in Zimbabwe. Raman's English is functional but not fluent but Brother Jeff and his wife Cindy have been in Zimbabwe for years, have 3 established churches and a good group of Godly national men working with them. While learning the Word of God and being mentored in his own mother tongue, Raman will undoubtedly grow in grace and become the force for God that all of us here know he is in his heart!!! The day I called him to tell him all about it he shouted for joy and then proceeded to tell me how that he had led one of his best friends in Zimbabwe to Christ earlier that morning. Zimbabwe is reeling from years of the abusive dictatorship of Mugabe. The current leader is not much better. But Zimbabwe, like so much of Africa, is ripe for the gospel and Raman has the potential to be a powerful preacher to his people. What a win!!!!!

Please pray for us as Pastor Monte and I will drive six hours one way on Monday to the Zimbabwe border to see Raman once more and to give him his books and some transport money to get to the part of the country that Brother Jeff is working in. As I am set to leave on furlough Tuesday after next it will be a long drive at a busy time but we are hoping to go and get back in the same day. Please pray for traveling mercies. God bless you all! Isn't God good!!!!!! Praise His name!

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