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Dear Pastor and Church families,

This new year started out with more restrictions and confinements, making it difficult to do things as we have done them in the past. But through all this God has had the glory. We have seen 7 people come to the Lord and have 12 to baptize once we are able to do that again. The constant change of restrictions has made doing things like discipleship, difficult. We can meet in public with people who are outside our family unit but two at a time but cannot meet in our own homes with non-family members. Sounds ridiculous and it is. You can get your hair cut and go to an outside café and have 4 people at the table but not go to the gym.

And they do check. Last week we had a Bible study in the church with a small group of 10 attending and the local police came in to make sure we did not have more than the limit allowed for our square footage. We can fit about 100 people in the building which gives us the ability to have 30% attendance and they were surprised because from the outside our building looks small. After checking all our papers were in order they left. The neighbors had called because we were working in the building during the day and going in and out and someone said we were having a lot of people there. People are reporting neighbors when they think that a regulation has been broken.

I meet with my discipleship ladies individually but in a public place. I often catch people around us listening to our conversation. God is good. Maybe a new witnessing tool! I hope that someone will be brave enough to ask questions. Yesterday a Muslim lady I have witnessed to sent me an invitation to join her in a Zoom meeting with a group of Muslim Ladies discussing "The women's role in Islam". Unfortunately, I had another meeting at that exact time but asked if they would invite me to the next meeting. She said she would. I have been praying for God to give me more ways to witness and reach women here in our community. I believe we must be open to all possibilities as we move ahead in these challenging times.

I thank you for your prayers and financial support. I do pray for each of you and your churches individually. Blessings on you and your ministry as we strive to carry out God's will to see more people come to Christ.

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