GREETINGS FROM THE GRIFFINS

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Formula for answered prayer

Many people pray and "wonder why doesn't God answer my prayers". Some people will say to them "God does answer, just not the way you want" or any number of other similarly distracting concepts that take away from what the Lord says about prayer and what is necessary for children of God to get their Father to heed their cries. In such difficult times as these it is so important for us as believers to know and do the will of God. To invoke and lead those around us into a deeper relationship with the Creator. It is also just as important to follow the Lord's requirements to receive His blessings of answered prayers to our betterment.

2 Chronicles 7:14 if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

We desperately need God to heal our land. We need God to be the leader of our nation again. We need God to awaken His children to a life more dedicated to Him than the world. We see so much in our society that is diametrically opposed to God and His teachings, and yet do nothing to stop the progression.

We see the same things happening here in Belize. Crime is at an all time high and growing every day. The streets are unsafe. People are murdered for the change in their pockets. Innocent children are shot while sleeping in their beds from bullets fired at someone passing on the street.

All around the world the story is the same. Crime, corruption and murder are becoming the norm rather than the exception. The saddest part of this trend is the acceptance by the children of God.

God has given us the answers to all of these situations. We need only to do what He says, and trust Him to keep His word. I would rather trust in the creator of the universe than in a corrupt and immoral government to heal society's ills. Let's join together and pray according to His guidelines.

- Humble ourselves before the Lord. Die to self & our personal desires.
- Seek His face. A deep personal relationship with God above all else.
- Turn from our sinful ways. Decide to live a righteous life and act on it.

God promises us He will hear our prayers, forgive our sins and heal our land. I am convinced that if just a handful of Christians earnestly put this formula into action we would start to see the healing process begin. Lives would be changed. Dedication to the Lord would become foremost in everyone's mind. Things of the world would start to fade away.

Pray with us for God to change people's hearts

17 inches of rain in two weeks

The rains came early this year and caught us all by surprise. It started raining and just kept coming. We have just recently had a couple of days with no rain. That gave me a chance to do some more on the "Power Tower". I was hoping to use up cement I had before the rains came.

Seven courses above the floor and then we will pour a cap-beam to give added strength to the building. Seven more after that, and then the concrete roof with the bolts in place



for the angle iron tower. It is slow going, just one course per day. 26 blocks at forty-two pounds each. Not what I used to do, but I am glad to be able to do this and give God the Glory for the strength.

In Other News

We have started leading the "Experiencing God Bible Study". We have fourteen in attendance and they are very excited. Please be in prayer that these people will allow God to use this study to change their lives in a mighty way. Please pray for us as we lead them that we will not hinder the work of the Holy Spirit.

We are starting our summer youth work program. School gets out in one more week, but we have already had three boys here working last week end. We will have them again this week end. They are clearing land and planting corn. They will share in the profit for their labors.



An interesting part of life here. This is a train of barges carrying raw sugar from Orange Walk to Belize City.

Each month we thank you for your prayers and support. But we want you to know that we completely understand the sacrifices you make by supporting us. We have no other way to pay for the things we need to live in Belize and do ministry here. So, we are very appreciative of your dedication to the Lord. Ultimately everything is from Him.

In Christ Bill & Cindy Griffin 1 John 3:16-18

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