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Disaster and Deliverance

What a difference a day can make. Cookeville, our home town, in addition to the Nashville area, was ravaged by tornadoes early Tuesday morning. Our property in Cookeville was untouched. Amazingly, none of our family scattered throughout the state are known to have suffered damage. While very thankful for that grace, we grieve and participate with friends who suffer demolished homes and businesses, as well as with strangers, who lost beloved family members and all their belongings.



Pic of McKinney's house hall used with permission

Our home church of membership, The Donelson Fellowship, uses the church building as an emergency relief center (link is to WTVF Report) during these critical days. We give thanks today, knowing that the congregation with whom we join in worship serves meals, receives



supplies, and takes teams into neighborhoods to assist with clean-up or other needs. We know of three people who were saved this week because of these efforts. Others, too, are certainly being saved. Candidly, it is a bit emotional to be in Michigan sharing ministry reports, when there are urgent needs back home. Still, what a difference a day can make as people band together to help.

Devotion

Similarly, what a difference devoted lives can make. As we travel to share ministry reports and introduce the use of Discovery Bible Studies, it is a humbling and joyful experience to say thank you in word and deed. We get to make a difference where we are as we minister to, and with, those we visit. People regularly say that they pray for us daily, or every week. That is an incredible encouragement! We often get to return the joy as we share how the Lord brings them to our minds for prayer. Since our sharing began in Michigan, some ministry partners who have already sacrificed to send us for years, some on fixed budgets, have offered to give more so that the Gospel can touch every region of Cote d'Ivoire. New partners also join the team. This kind of faithfulness and generosity mends souls for eternity, both here and around the world.

Prayer & Praise:

- Remember, with us, the many people affected by Tennessee's tornadoes. Pray for all the families grieving the passing of loved ones, or the loss of homes and businesses.
- Recent news from missionary friends in Cote d'Ivoire underlines again that electoral tensions rise over the upcoming presidential elections in the fall. Continue to pray that God grows the nation into being a stable democratic republic for the region before, during, and after elections.

Your partners in the Gospel, Verlin and Debbie Anderson

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