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Dearest brethren,

This is a note from my heart to yours. I want to thank you for the many years of faithful benevolence for your Zimbabwe brethren, who through no fault of their own, are in perilous times. It is not a short-term problem like what we had in Fl. recently when the water and basic supplies were depleted in anticipation of the hurricane. Fortunately, a few days later, the shelves are full again and there isn't a problem with supplying food for the family.

In Zimbabwe, the staple food is mealie meal, which along with cooking oil is fried to provide basic "bread" type food. Sometimes, there are vegetables that are shared amongst the villages. There are no typical grocery stores. Usually, a long distance is travelled to go to a supply house for maize and oil. The people live off the land, in rural huts, depending on rain for harvest of corn, IF seed could be afforded to buy and plant. The rains are unpredictable and this year, along with the last several have not given the people any harvest. That is why they depend on loving brethren from the U.S. to help them to avoid starving.

The brethren are always appreciative of the kindness and love which the food given to them represents. It is difficult to contemplate their conditions: no electricity or running water, obviously no AC or heat. Yet, they are spiritually hungry for the Word and will walk a great distance on the dirt paths to come and sit on rocks outdoors, or possibly an unfinished church building that needs a roof. They do not have the "conveniences" or "distractions" that we have and their focus is on spiritual growth.

Bill has worked long and hard on this newsletter and does an excellent job with the organization and all that is involved with OH3. We both get discouraged when there are no funds and we have to tell the brethren to wait and be patient for funds to be sent for food. We have health and personal



issues that sometimes can cause a delay in the newsletter but we will try to do better in sending more frequently.

We want to continue this good work but it is not possible without your ongoing monthly contributions. We have approximately 20-25 monthly, faithful donors contributing from \$50 to \$200 each time. The vast amount of donations come in after we send out a newsletter request. We are always amazed at the generous benevolence, and touched by the loving, kind and compassionate brethren.

I beseech you to please find a way to donate monthly so that the approximate 800 families in Zimbabwe will not have to be told to wait until we receive funds.

*Thank-you.
Jeanne Sullivan*