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God's Precious Children - update

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Dear friends in mission.

In *Luke 7: 24* Jesus was talking to a crowd about John the Baptist, saying "Was he a weak reed swayed by every breath of wind?"

Satan places many gusts of wind in our lives wishing to blow us off course even breaking some succumbing to the pressure.

The winds of death are still blowing in Liberia as health workers struggle to contain the spread of Ebola. In August the Liberian government declared a 90 day state of emergency, quarantining some areas and restricting transportation to reduce the movement of people. Primary, secondary and college level enrolment are also on hold in an effort to limit the spread of Ebola.

I have heard January is the projected peak of the Ebola outbreak. Yes, it is still on the increase. If that be the case, the 90 day hold on school enrolment would be extended. God's Precious Children is holding the tuition money for the 2014/2015 school year safely in our account here in the USA till we receive assurance when schools will open.

After evaluating conditions, Deb and I decided not to travel to Liberia in January 2015. We will look at things as they develop planning our next trip.

Patrick Jackson, GPC's coordinator in Liberia, keeps me up to date on local developments in Liberia. Patrick warned me that on our next trip to Liberia we will be greeted by a large number of Ebola orphans looking for help to go to school. And I thought the need was great before.

A number of concerned sponsors have asked if their student is OK. I know that the main area of Bong County, where most of our students come from, has not been hit as hard as some other areas. I do not know of any of our students that have been infected with the Ebola virus. We pray it stays that way.

In one of Patrick's communications to me he equated Liberia's civil war to the Ebola outbreak. Patrick said we went through 14 years of war in Liberia and if that wasn't bad enough now this Ebola comes.

Patrick informed me that many parents are coming to him asking if GPC's tuition sponsorship program will still help their children go to school or did Ebola stop them? The parents were overjoyed to hear we have not abandoned them. What an awesome way to illustrate the <u>unfailing</u> love of Jesus Christ to our brothers and sisters in Liberia.

There is such a great need for the work of God's Precious Children to continue. Thank you for your help being the hands of Jesus!

Please continue to pray for the people of Liberia and the elimination of this Ebola virus.

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Giving young people a better chance at a brighter future through an education in the name of Jesus Chris  ${f t}$