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Our first crocuses at our
Shepherd Village Complex!!

Wiebe Winter Update and Easter Blessings (January - April, 2020)

Greetings dear praying friends,

In the midst of the Covid 19 Pandemic, we have the assurance that our God is With Us! We have enjoyed and appreciated the fitting song *We are Not Alone*, <https://youtu.be/OviilwuJVtE>. Our prayer is that God will give you and us the grace to do what humanly we are able, knowing that ultimately He knows and cares about all that is happening!

Furthermore we must prepare our hearts for Easter! Hebrews 10:19 - 25 encourages us with the confidence we have that Jesus' body and blood opens our way to God. We are to take full advantage of the fact that we have 'a great high priest': 'Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith', 'Let us hold fast the confession of our faith without wavering' and 'Let us consider how to stir one another up to love and good works'. The death and resurrection of our Savior Jesus graciously meets our sin need! To do this he became like one of us to accomplish our redemption!

Having sold our house we moved into our newly renovated condo with east and south exposures on 10th January 2020! We're thankful to our Lord for our first floor 2 bedrooms and den combination! We fit in perfectly and after several months we feel settled and 'at home!' The two pics below show our 'great room' - living and dining together! Rudy is enjoying his study. He has reached Lesson 24 in revising the Preus Grammar¹. Pray as he prepares for ACTS² to publish a second edition of the full grammar as well as a shorter version. He also continues to deal with TPRA³ matters.



September 2019 Hosea raised funds in Nigeria to rent a shop for TPRA for a year. The shop houses a book store, large training room, storage area and office space. It was dedicated November 2nd along with two books that Hosea authored: *The Path* and *Financial Diary*. February 2020 Hosea received a certificate of incorporation for a new NGO⁴ titled *Center for Literacy Development in Africa*! Its board has Hosea as chairman and 5 members. The Lord has rewarded his faithful work promoting TPRA and we are rejoicing with him.

¹ Preus, Mary Catherine *Let's Study New Testament Greek* (Revised by R. A. Lillo and R. H. Wiebe) Bukuru: ACTS 2011.

² ACTS stands for Africa Christian Textbooks.

³ TPRA is The Phonics READING Adventure curriculum authored by Marlene Wiebe, Hosea Danjuma, and Adrienne Lillo.

⁴ NGO is Non-Government Organization.

In January 2020 Hosea launches a new literacy initiative "The Adventure READING Ambassadors".

Over 50 teachers were sent by 34 schools for the training given by Hosea at his shop. Pictured teachers are trained on pedagogies of reading development with the goal of improving literacy skills and interest in reading among children and young people. Each teacher takes the training back to their colleagues. The ambassadors will meet quarterly to give updates on the progress of reading development in their schools. Then Hosea will provide further training to address the challenges and problems they are facing.



Hosea has been consistently teaching his wife Noro and a few other volunteers the literacy skills of TPRA so that they can help him in providing trainings to new schools. He continues to provide workshops as requested and visits schools using the TPRA curriculum. He will be taking over this ministry fully in 2020, God willing. Please visit our website <http://tpra-africa.com> for more info on the TPRA curriculum. We continue to raise funds for the buy-out of TPRA from ACTS.

TPRA fundraising update:

By mid-March 2020 Canadian and US gifts totaled \$18,000.00 US. These funds were sent by the US Global Scholars Office to the ACTS account in New York. GS has received confirmation from ACTS that these funds have been received.

Further gifts at the end of March indicate that we still need to raise about \$18,000.00 Canadian to meet 50% of the amount needed for the TPRA buyout from ACTS.

How to support our ministry:

Please see page three for info on how to support our ministry. Note especially the ease with which **online donations** can be made for the TPRA buyout as well as for our ministry.

We continue to need and to value your prayerful support. Our current yearly contract with GSC extends to July 31, 2020 at which time it will be reviewed.

With our love in Christ,
Rudy and Marlene Wiebe
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Tax-Deductible Donations Information for the Wiebe Ministry

Your financial partnership enables us to serve Nigeria

Your prayer partnership empowers the work of our hearts & hands

- I will pray regularly for the Wiebes as they make an eternal difference in the lives of students!
- I enclose a gift of \$50.00 \$75.00 \$100.00 \$250.00 \$500.00 \$1000.00 Other \$_____
- I authorize automatic fund transfer from my bank account to the account of Global Scholars Canada in support of the ministry of Rudy and Marlene Wiebe each month starting _____ (day of month; either 1st or 15th); _____ (month); _____ (year).

You can stop or revise your transfer amount at any time by giving notice to the GSC Executive Director by email office@globalscholarscanada.ca or in writing at least 10 days prior to a scheduled transfer.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I enclose a blank cheque marked "VOID" for the account from which the donations are to be withdrawn.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

In Canada - make cheque payable to **GSC** and designate for the **ministry of Rudy and Marlene Wiebe** and mail to: Global Scholars Canada, P.O. Box 72052, 1630 Danforth Ave. Toronto ON M4C 0A1. If your gift is for the TPRA buyout from ACTS, then designate your gift: **TPRA fund - Wiebe**.

In U.S.A. - make check payable to **Global Scholars** and designate for the **ministry of Rudy and Marlene Wiebe** and mail to: **Global Scholars**, 100 E. Park St. Suite 206, Olathe, KS 66061. If your gift is for the TPRA buyout from ACTS, then designate your gift: **TPRA fund - Wiebe**.

Online donations:

Following are two fund raising needs that can be met by online donations.

First, to give towards our **Special Fund Raising for the buyout of TPRA** from ACTS bookshop here is the information you need:

Click on the link: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/5565> . This is the CanadaHelps page for Global Scholars Canada. After entering the **amount of your donation**, you will see the Fund category. At the end of the General line, click on the drop down menu and select **other**. Then type in this message in the Global Scholars box: **TPRA project**. Then fill out the rest of the form with your payment and submit it.

Second, if your gift is for the **ministry of Rudy and Marlene Wiebe**, enter the website above. After entering the **amount of your donation**, you will see the Fund category. At the end of the General line, click on the drop down menu and select **Rudy and Marlene Wiebe**. Then fill out the rest of the form with your payment and submit it.

The donation receipt for any donations done this way will come from CanadaHelps, not Global Scholars Canada. The CanadaHelps Receipt, including a thank you from Global Scholars Canada, will normally be emailed to the donor within 10 minutes of submitting a donation online.

Thanks for considering how you might respond to the above two challenges.

Note: The Wheelchair Ministry will be commented on in our next newsletter.