## The Tushima's Updates for September 2023

"And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs." (Luk 11:5–8; ESV)

Dear Friends,

I can hardly believe that six solid months has passed without you hearing from me. I apologize for this long silence. Silence does not mean inactivity. Indeed, sometime getting busy with the work, one becomes so busy that one forgets to send a world out about one's labours. My labours have been in working to grow Hesed Academy, theological education, pulpit ministry, and peace mediation and reconciliation. Let me summarize my efforts in pictorial format.

## **HESED ACADEMY IN PICTURES**



Elementary kids at the assembly where they hear God's word.



Hesed female students in competitive sports



Hesed male students in competitive sports



**Cephas with Hesed** students ready for advert campaign rally around Jos.



Cephas with Hesed staff and students ready for advert campaign rally around Jos.



Hesed team advert on city roads for advert campaign rally around Jos.

## **MINISTRY BEYOND HESED**



Cephas speaking at National Christian Education Summit



Cephas at Adullam Seminary commencement



Cephas at Tiv Gospel Ministers' Conference



Cephas speaking at a major Church Conference



A cross-section of the thousands of participants listening



One of the outside overflow sections

## **PRAISE AND PRAYERS**

- 1. Praise God for continually protecting and delivering me from the lions in sheep's clothing amongst whom I dwell (Psa 57:4–8; cf. Psa 55:21; 64:3; Prov 30:14; Psa 59:7).
- 2. Praise God for good health.
- 3. Praise God for Salome, who is beginning to show signs of growth (baby steps, but significant nonetheless).
- 4. Praise God for Hesed Academy, as we are beginning to see signs of improvement in enrollment. Mercy drops are falling but we continue to look for the showers.
- 5. Pray for Hesed Academy as school reopens on 09/18 that throughout the week, we will continue to receive new students.
- 6. Pray for Salome, that the Lord will continue to draw ever closer to himself; and that He will help mature and overcome any impediment that has been inhibited her over the years.
- 7. Pray for me also, that the Lord will still my heart from the raging storms; that I will grow in intimacy with him.
- 8. Pray for God's clear leading in my life (Psa 32:8; 25:8, 12) and for new open doors.
- 9. Thank God for His provision for us during this tough time, pray that He will meet all our needs according to His riches in glory.
- 10. Pray that the Lord will continue to deliver me from every snare of the fowler (Psa 91:3), every deadly peril (2 Cor 1:10), and from every ferocious lion (2 Tim 4:17).

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