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Hi family, friends and partners in the Groups of Hope ministry:

CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT WE ARE ALREADY INTO JUNE? HERE IN ONTARIO WE HAVE VAULTED INTO SUMMER A MONTH EARLY...AND THE HEAT, SUN AND GARDENS ARE SHOWING IT!

MANY OF YOU WERE ABLE TO COME TO THE CELEBRATION ON MAY 16TH. IT WAS A WONDERFUL AFTERNOON - PAUSING TO GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR HIS BLESSING OVER THE GROUPS OF HOPE MINISTRY. IF YOU WEREN'T THERE I MISSED YOU!



It was wonderful to connect with supportive friends. Mildred Goulding has been so supportive and I love to hear her stories of Bolivia, where she lived and worked for many years in ministry.

Seventeen signed copies of the handbook were purchased! :)

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Jane came to talk with me as I sat on the dock in the northern native community where I had gone for the weekend. As we looked out over the melting ice on the lake she shared some of her heartache and I was reminded again of how Jesus loves to reach out to hurting people.

Later that evening we met again at the Groups of Hope session and each of the women shared how their lives might be different if they allowed Jesus to bring His light into dark places within them.

As I listened to them I felt again the awesome privilege God has given me to be able to take the Groups of Hope Program to women who are hurting and to see the Holy Spirit touch lives.

Your support in prayer and financially makes it possible!

I will be going to Bolivia on August 3rd and then on to Armenia, Colombia for two weeks in September. It will be wonderful to connect with dear friends in both places, to continue to mentor the program and to see where God is using the Groups of Hope.

The Handbook is now in Spanish. Please pray for Ivan Gutierrez, one of the CBM team in Cochabamba who is working on the details of publication so that it is ready for use in ministry in Spanish countries.

As I write this letter I am preparing to go to a conference in Ottawa called "I 4 give". Christian Native leaders want to publicly accept the government's apology for the abuses they received through the residential school system. It will be a historic moment and native leaders feel it is an important step in the healing process for their people. I am really looking forward to being there, to meet, to pray and to celebrate with our native people.

MANY BLESSINGS...

FAITH