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Laurel Galan San Francisco Libre

Esteemed sisters and brothers of the Church of Peace, we desire with much affection that when you receive this letter it finds you well, in good health and in union with all the sisters and brothers of Jesus Christ.

We here are doing a little well, though we are also sad because we have not had a rainy season and we do not have a harvest. The crops are very tiny and are not going to give fruits, so we are more sad then ever. We are pleading with our Lord Jesus that he have mercy on us and that we will be showered with blessings.

We remember happily your visit and when we shared three days together, as well as the outing to Montebelli.

We received your first letter and just as you we feel pleased for having had you in our homes and that you felt so good in our community. And for being able to share our sadness, joys and our work with you. We always continue to gather as a group and always you are present in our community, especially in our prayers. Though we have a concern that is very big in our community because we know the consequences that the drought will leave us with and this has us worried because our production is what allows us to survive and the beginning of the consequences from the first planting are being felt because there are many people sick and without nutrition. According to the ministry of health it is a pandemic respiratory illness and it worries us as a community because we also do not want to fail with our community revolving loan fund. We hope and trust in God that God will provide us with blessings so we can survive in our situation.

We also have joy in our community because it is almost time for graduations of the pre-school, the primary school and the high school.

We now have two groups of youth who are competing with our communities in soccer, both men and women!

Hoping in God that in receiving this letter you are all enjoying the blessings of our God.

We always remember you and the moments we shared, and we always keep you are in our prayers every day.

We hope to see you very soon and hear good news from you.

We remain in waiting for the mercy of our God.

Hugs and kisses,

The community of Laurel Galan

PS To Arlene, I desire with all my heart that you are happy in your home and hope in God you are well, Emelina.