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Update on Conference Center Auditorium Incident

Dear Word of Life Family,

We would like to inform you that a little over a week ago, a fire occurred in the auditorium of our Conference Center, specifically in the electrical and lighting control area located behind the stage.

By God's grace, a student who was passing through the area to get water around 1:30 a.m. noticed smoke and immediately alerted our security staff.

They quickly contacted our head of security, and our emergency protocol was activated. Firefighters arrived promptly with two fully equipped fire units, along with an ambulance from the local hospital.

Several members of our team responded in an extraordinary way even before the firefighters arrived. Once on site, they assisted the fire crews by helping them better understand the layout of the building, which played a key role in preventing greater damage. After nearly three hours of coordinated work, the situation was completely brought under control. I would like to express special gratitude to several women and single staff members who, with a remarkable servant's heart, provided water to both the firefighters and our team throughout the emergency. We were also able to pray with the firefighters and personally thank them for the excellent work they carried out.

We give thanks to God, recognizing that His hand was clearly over this situation and that He spared us from a much greater loss.

*“The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him,
and delivers them.” (Psalm 34:7)*

We understand that this is part of an ongoing spiritual battle. During that same week alone, more than 150 unbelievers from different regions of the country were present on our campus, and just two hours before the incident, over 800 people were worshipping God at the closing service of our third week of camp. For that reason, we also understand why the enemy is not pleased. Even so, we rest with confidence in the Lord's protection.

Following an initial evaluation of the damage caused by the fire, and as a precautionary measure, the auditorium will remain closed in the coming weeks while official inspections are completed. Several systems were affected and will need to be thoroughly evaluated, including water lines, mobile sound equipment, steel and concrete structures, main lighting cables, drainage systems, and the air-conditioning system.

At this time, we do not yet have a final estimate of the total cost of the damage. However, we have provided a link for those who may wish to voluntarily contribute toward the restoration of this important area of our main building.

Thank you for your prayers and for standing with us during this time. We are deeply grateful for each of you and for the continued support of the Word of Life family.

With love and gratitude

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