Bits of Home Chat: The most recent work I (Kay) have been doing over at the church building is to finish the kitchen cabinet cleaning. My volunteer helper has been a great boon to my spirit! The 2 of us got the cupboards cleaned the first week. The bottom ones smelled musty even after a good cleaning with Pine Sol, so I took time the next week to spray inside the bottom ones with a sealer that seemed to do the trick of killing the smell as well as giving it a new look! The next week we used Contac shelf liner and covered the shelves and drawer bottoms; then we put Styrofoam plates, bowls and cups, plasticware, cold drink containers and serving trays in the top cupboards. In the bottom ones we stored paper towels and napkins. There was a lot of silverware, serving spoons, spatulas and odds and ends gadgets, so those went into drawers. I noticed that there were lots of dishrags and potholders but only a few tea-towels. I think maybe we will see if the ladies will form a group for a time of devotions, prayer and sharing of ideas to minister at the church, aid missionaries, plan dinners, etc. One idea I have is to have a kitchen shower for our church and fill the kitchen with other things we need, such as tea-towels, skillet, kettle, teapot, and so on. Please pray for our hearts and minds to be knit together in Jesus and to accomplish much for Him, the one we serve. Carl and I were able to share our home with 6 people, a missionary builder and his family. They were here from Michigan to learn more of Bible To You and for brother Grooten, pronounced grow-ten, to fill the pulpit for us. Brother Jamie is recovering from two heart surgeries that have left him weak and slower of thought and of speech. He still has family at home and presently has no regular income. We are looking to the Lord for help for them. His wife has had to care for him and is a home-school mom so she cannot work. They live in a little space in a pole barn that they own. Brother Jamie was just building them a place there to live when his heart gave out. I am grieved for them and so I am praying for them. God will help! a man from the mission board that helped us develop our ministry screen is also coming in for a Sunday. He wants to see firsthand what the church family is like and what is happening here so he can try to help us get a pastor that would meet our needs. He will also be with us, or in our camper. The camper never sold even though we lowered the price considerably. It seems that many people are getting rid of their campers because they can no longer afford them. We are looking to God for His will and way in this too! In a way, I think it is exciting to pray and watch for what God is going to do. He has a lot of examples in His word of what he has done for his trusting, obedient children. Yes, we may suffer, even as Job suffered, but God sustained, worked in and through it all, then blessed Job once more. No matter where we are; no matter where you are, look to God, the mighty God, in Jesus' name for all that you need. I wonder what we will all see in days and years to come if we will live righteously and trust in God with all of our hearts! We will rejoice in time to come! Goodbye till next time, brothers and sisters; love in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Focus verse or verse to memorize: "Trust in him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us..." Psalm 62:8

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Verses to ponder: I Chronicles 5:20; Psalm 9:9; Psalm 18:2; Psalm 48:3; Isaiah 25:4(These really blessed my heart. May they greatly lift you up!)