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Buckets of Rain

Martin and Elizabeth were missionaries in Indonesia. The water pump that brought water from the river to the village was broken, and it would be a long time until it could be fixed. They had a little baby, and needed lots of water to wash the diapers and take good care of him. It was the dry season when usually no rain fell.

The only water they had was some very muddy water that was difficult to get to, as the river was down a steep, rocky place. The pump could bring the water to their house, but to get it with a bucket was not easy, and there were many other people crowding around, also trying to fill their buckets with water.

Martin and Elizabeth prayed for water. Then a miracle happened. All of a sudden there was a big rainstorm, and the rain poured down heavily. It ran off their house roof so they could fill many buckets and pots with the clean rainwater.

It was pouring down so strongly that they filled every kind of container they could find in their house. When everything was filled, the rain stopped. The rainwater they had collected was enough to last them until the pump was fixed.



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Keys

(By David)

It was the summer of 1999, and we were on a witnessing trip to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in the USA. The Lord provided a beautiful campground with a lake for us during our two-week stay.

One morning before heading into town to talk to people about Jesus, we all went down to the lake for a swim. After about an hour, our driver got out of the water, and upon searching for the keys to our van, discovered that he had left the keys to the van and the trailer in the pocket of his swimsuit during his swim. Now they were nowhere to be found and we were locked out of our trailer and van.

We all began searching in the shallow water and on the beach, but to no avail. Finally, we joined hands in a prayer circle and desperately prayed that we would find the keys.

After the prayer, Tim, our driver, dove blindly into a deep part of the lake, and with his eyes closed reached his hand out to the first place it touched—a patch of slimy seaweed. And when he came back up to the surface, both sets of keys were there in his hand. We all lifted our arms and praised the Lord for this amazing answer to prayer!