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I introduced to this dying man the Prince of Peace and how, in spite of his broken health, he could be made whole again. This man obtained the peace he so much desired when he gave his life to Jesus. I see this man again one day in an eternal Kingdom of peace.

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