To our friends and sponsors at LCC,

Words cannot express how grateful we are for the generous help you provided in bringing Alfred and his family from Pakistan to live in the United States.

The funding for their airfare here, several months of utilities and rent, and other initial needs, plus the donation of furniture, household goods, food, clothing, and even a car were blessings beyond anything we could possibly have provided for them. The faithfulness of prayer warriors was a special blessing to us all, without those prayers we would still be struggling! Life is much different here than in Pakistan; it was draining just to get the family through all the governmental processes, school registrations, job applications, and orientation required to begin a new life. We would never have been able to do any of this without your help, prayers, and support! The family is grateful to God for His provision for them through you, and wishes to thank everyone who provided financially, or with tangible gifts, or who prayed.

The family is happy here, and have had the opportunity to see a bit of what makes America special. Chicago and its suburbs are unlike anything familiar in Pakistan, and they are enjoying the opportunities afforded them to see the sites by car, bicycle, or on foot, visiting museums, and enjoying the hospitality of newfound friends.

They have been here now for 13 months, and it is with great pleasure and gratitude that we can report that, at this point in time, the Emmanuel family is independently able to provide for themselves in every way.

- 1. The two oldest children, Zabloon and Zoya, are working for CVS full-time, and are enrolled at Harper to continue their education and improve their English skills.
- 2. Zain is a junior at Fremd High School, doing well academically, and playing soccer.
- 3. Zonara is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader at Hunting Ridge who loves school. Her English is greatly improved!
- 4. Mom, Asia, is working in a salon located in Wal-Mart and enjoying her job.
- 5. Dad, Alfred, continues to support and encourage the church in Pakistan while helping around the house. He continues to work on his English language skills in order to be prepared for a job.

It's impossible to thank each person individually: everything provided was needed, so an answer to prayer. We are truly grateful for the support they've received, and would ask that you continue to pray for the family as there are more adjustments to be made.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, and thanks to all of you!

Gulfam and Anila Emmanuel