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“Give thanks to the LORD, call on His name; make known among the nations what He has done, and proclaim that His name is exalted. Sing to the Lord, for He has done glorious things; let this be known in all the world.” Isaiah 12:4-5

Beloved Friends and Family,

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Greetings to you once again in the lovely name of Jesus. For Michael's birthday adventure we overnighted in N. Myrtle Beach. It was misty, foggy, windy, and chilly but we walked on the beach before we headed home. We are including a photo of me that we titled, "The Old Man and the Sea". We saw only 2 local couples braving the weather as they speed-walked on the beach. As we were casually walking, Shirley spotted a lady standing by herself taking photos of the water. She went up and greeted her and asked if she would like a photo of herself on the beach. She said, "Yes, today is my 51st birthday and I **will** enjoy it." They chatted, of course. Paula shared that she and her husband had this trip planned months ago, then he got sick and recently died. It was a divine appointment and she needed a special touch from the Lord. We asked if we could pray for her. "Yes, please." Before we headed home we went to a family-owned Mediterranean restaurant. The food was Greek but reminiscent of Turkey and their baklava was even better. We got to pray over the family matriarch and her son.

World news draws to Ukraine. Eva, our Hungarian heart daughter has written that the closest airport bombed by the Russians was only 120 miles from Debrecen. Ukraine is one of the 7 nations that borders Hungary. In the 1990s when the nations of former Yugoslavia were at war we were ministering in S. Hungary and we could hear the bombs in the distance. Please intercede for those fleeing Ukraine and the nations receiving them. It is still winter. We have heard that only women and children can leave but all men 16 years and up are forcibly being drafted and sent to the front. Eva wrote, "We have many friends and dear brothers and sisters in Christ there." We are praying for peace and strength and courage for the Lord's people so Christ is glorified in the midst of this horror.

News from Hungary: Dearest Emese needs our prayers. Chemo has been very hard on her so much so that they have delayed treatments. We have updates on some of our precious students from A Haz that have graduated and are finding job placements. All of these Nigerians have been in touch with us this month. Doctor Damola is in England. Princess, yes, she is actually one, is now in Belfast, Northern Ireland as a pharmacist and Doctor Idara is also going to England. Edi and his wife, Onome, are hoping to come to Texas. She is a nurse and he is an engineer. Doctor Chioma is home in Nigeria and is in love with a doctor that has accepted a position in Canada. Our hearts are joined, we are Papa and Mama to them.



Due to Covid, Shirley's second cataract surgery had been postponed until the end of January. In the hospital, as I prayed for her prior to the surgery on her left eye, she said God's peace so flooded her it felt tangible. Even though she has been diligent to keep up with the regimen of eye drops needed to help with the healing, she continues to have trouble seeing out of that eye. Distance wasn't too bad but reading, writing, and cooking have been frustrating for her. Her vision was blurry and the pressure seemed higher than usual even with the 2 drops for glaucoma daily in both eyes. One drug that helps with inflammation also increases eye pressure. She was nauseated often. That was why we opted out of going back to Thomasville for Calvary Chapel's closure. This last Friday we found out why. She saw the ophthalmologist and was told that she has suffered a stroke in the retina of her eye and has lost $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ of her sight in that eye. **She needs a miracle. Please pray.** She has peripheral vision. We have hope for a miracle not only from the accounts in scripture and the many wonderful affirmations of God's love and power that we all know from reading and being taught His Word, but I personally lost the sight in my left eye in an accident while stationed in Guam in the Navy. I was blinded by a 240 watt soldering gun on Saturday and on Sunday God restored my sight once again, praise His name. So we look with certain hope towards our Father and wait upon Him to once again do what only He can do and that is to restore vision to Shirley's left eye. Thank you for joining us in prayer for her. Having done everything to stand, we stand therefore. ... Those of you that have computers may want to look up the words for "He Won't" from Maverick City Music. Those words spoke deeply to Shirley's heart on Sunday.

By the time you receive this, we will have made a trip to and from Ohio. Last month we shared about Demetri Hughes being selected as pastor. We will update you next month. He asked us to be there. God drew our hearts together and has allowed me to mentor him. Dear friends Charleton and Laura Burgett have opened their home to us. So we are excited and hopeful that Father will provide clear dry weather for the journey. Continue to pray with us both for safety as we travel and for Holy Spirit's ministry through us.

Then on the 22nd, I will have a procedure done by a gastroenterologist to see how my inners are doing since I have been off my blood thinner and on acid reducer and iron supplements. We are hoping that they will find that the ulcers have healed and there is no more evidence of internal bleeding. Thanks for praying both for the procedure and for a good report. I will also see my primary care physician and my cardiologist this month for follow up visits associated with what happened in Dec. when I was admitted with gravely low levels of hemoglobin and iron. Praise Father for once more rescuing me from what could have been grave or even deadly results if it hadn't been caught in time.

Hopefully, a trip to Pensacola will happen shortly thereafter. If you would like us to try to connect with you, please give us a call or send us an email. We love you all and thank you for your continued encouragement and support in faithful prayer, words of encouragement, and sacrificial gifts to help meet our needs as Father prompts you. May He bless you and keep you and make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you and give you His wonderful peace. Stay safe and well and let us know how you are doing so we can pray with you and for you.

Blessings,

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