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Dear Praying Friends,

The work of the Lord sometimes moves at a steady pace, while it keeps one hopping at other times. We can state honestly that the month of April was one of the busy months, mores than usual.

News Updates

I want to thank everyone who has continued to pray for my full recovery from my cancer surgery. As I have said before, I feel much better than I did last year, but I am still not back to my previous level of stamina. I am working on building that up as I am able.

I want to update everyone on my mother's condition following the instalment of her pacemaker. She has told me that she feels much better than before and is happy that she has it. She seems stronger than she was over the past several months. Thank you for praying for her physical needs.

The immigration stream through which James needs to apply for Permanent Resident status is still paused. This stream has been paused for two and a half months now, and there has been no indication when it will be opened again. The only words we have received is that immigration fees for this immigration stream will increase whenever it is re-opened. Please pray for a quick resolution to this situation, and that James will quickly receive approval of his PR application.

Breaking News

My dad underwent two procedures during the month of April. One procedure was an attempt to bring down the pressure in his good eye (he is nearly blind in his bad eye). This procedure seems to have been a success, but time will tell the tale. Another procedure was to inspect his heart and the arteries in his neck to check for blockages. If blockages were found, surgery would be scheduled. This procedure went well and they found no issues with his heart. In his neck, however, they found over 90% blockage! Providentially, they were able to perform the surgery that day. The artery was opened and all the plaque was scraped away. This surgery held some risks, but we are thankful for the Lord keeping Dad through this particular dangerous situation. Becky and I were able to

fly down to Lubbock, spend time with my Dad and Mom, and fill the pulpit in our sending church. It was a stressful time, but we are thankful we were able to be there.

The week before we were to travel to be with my parents, I had a nasty episode during one of our services. I felt sick and dizzy, but was able to preach the message the Lord had laid on my heart. As soon as that service was over, I was helped to our vehicle and my wife drove me to the hospital. After several hours of waiting, it was determined I had experienced an attack of vertigo. I was nervous about another attack during my flights to and from Lubbock, but the Lord saw fit to give me no serious symptoms during the course of the trip. I now carry medication with me at all times, in case of another attack.

We have enjoyed many first time visitors during the month of April. Some of these have returned for a time, then wander away. Others seem to be sticking around for the time. We are thankful for the Lord's blessings on our efforts. Despite this, we have seen some disturbing instances in our ministry. Some have walked away from the truth, while others have stayed but caused issues. What we learn from this is the devil always attacks when the Lord blesses. Please pray for wisdom as we deal with each individual and situation.

Events to Come

We are excited about a young man coming to visit us during the month of July. He graduates from high school this year and believes God has called him to minister in Canada. We count it a blessing to show him what ministry in Canada is really like. Please pray we can be a blessing to him and the Lord will increase his burden for lost souls in Canada.

We are so thankful for each one who takes the time to mention our names to the Father! God bless.

Humbly His,