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MINISTERING TO OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL & THEIR FAMILIES



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Dear Prayer Partner,

We are writing this correspondence on January 25 and wanted to share the great news we received this week. On Wednesday, I had a procedure at the hospital called an Esophagogastroduodenoscopy (no wonder they just call it EDG). It is a procedure where the doctor inserts a light down the esophagus and scans the area of the tumor and cancer. This was to show what the treatments (chemo & radiation) did and how successful they were. Well, praise be to our Great Physician, there was no sign of a tumor and only a small erosion in the lower part of the esophagus where it goes into the stomach. The doctor said that it did not appear to be cancerous but biopsied it and sent to Pathology just to be certain. Pathology report came back on Thursday and the spot was benign and possibly only a burn left over from the radiation treatments. Therefore, Joyce and I are rejoicing greatly and we want our prayer partners to rejoice with us over obvious answered prayer. We had asked you to pray specifically that the treatments would totally shrink the tumor and completely eradicate the cancer. This EGD seems to verify that this is precisely what has happened. We ask you to continue to pray as I have a PET scan scheduled on March 3, which will be more detailed and will show if there are any cancer cells still present anywhere in the area.

This little "detour" in our journey has been somewhat challenging as we have had to put a hold on our traveling and preaching ministry. But God is very much in control of our lives and we fully trust Him. Through our treatments, we have had many opportunities to present the Gospel and be a witness for our Lord among a number of hurting people, as well as to a number of doctors and nurses. Presently, we are seeking to rebuild our strength and stamina and hope to be back out on the road soon representing Military Missions and fulfilling our schedule of preaching mission conferences. Please join us in prayer regarding these matters. We are very appreciative of the pastors and churches who have been very patient with our condition. Some have sent special offerings to help with the expenses and lost income from meetings, for which we are very grateful. God has met every need, just like He said He would and just like He always does (Philippians 4:19; Psalm 37:25).

Please continue to pray for Joyce as she still is struggling with the pain of the after effects of Shingles. It has been 13 weeks now since she broke out with the rash and was diagnosed. Although the rash has been gone for some time now, the pain lingers.

We rejoice with the blessings of God on Military Missions and our missionaries. God is using them to reach many military personnel and their families for Christ as they are reporting salvation professions, baptisms and a good amount of growth in the overseas churches. We ask you to pray especially for missionaries Brandyn & Alicia Knight and the Faith Baptist Church in Iwakuni, Japan, as they are in the process of the demolition of their old run-down building and replacing it with a new church facility. This is about a \$700,000 project and approximately 40% has been raised. Any church wishing to help, please send donations to BIMI, account #642 and designate it for the Iwakuni project. This church is doing a great job ministering to the Marines stationed in the Iwakuni area.

Also, please pray for a pastor for the military church in Vicencia, Italy. This leads me to mention my ongoing prayer request for more laborers in the field of Military Missions. We desperately need more young men with a burden to minister to our military (Matthew 9:37-38).

Joyce and I would like to thank you for your faithful prayers, especially these past few months regarding our health issues. God is hearing and answering (Jeremiah 33:3) and showing great and mighty things. Thank you who have supported us financially, allowing us to continue our military ministry now for some 40 years. Only Eternity will reveal the result.

May God bless you as you continue serving our wonderful LORD there in your labor of love. We love you and remain...

In Christ's Service,

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