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Prayer Letter

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Dear Co-laborers in Christ:

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior the Lord Jesus Christ, “For of him, and through him, and to him, *are* all things: to whom *be* glory for ever. Amen.” (Romans 11:36)

As of this writing we are still in Duncan, SC and have had to cancel our trip to Germany. We do know for sure that there are divine reasons for these set backs, but do not fully understand the reason why. We would like to share these set backs with you.

Set back #1

As we mentioned in our last prayer letter, I (Chick) had just finished a bout with pneumonia. Our Doctor put me through a series of tests, one of which was a CT scan, just to make sure everything was OK. The results of the CT scan caused some doubt, as they found a lesion on my left lung. Because of this we have to delay our trip to Germany for additional tests. I had a Doctors appointment Monday, September 22nd for the continuation of the tests. We checked with several Doctors but could not get an appoint before the 22nd. We had the Doctors appointment, at which time more tests were set up.

Set back #2

Well, yesterday Monday, September 26th, we met with the surgeon and following was his diagnoses and suggestions after, Chest X-rays, Voice box scan, CT scan, PET scan, Brain scan and a Bronchoscopy (a direct exam of the airways). The suggestions, an operation should be performed. The operation is scheduled for Friday, September 30th at 8:00 am. The procedure is to check the lower lob of the left lung, if the lesion is cancerous the lower lob will be removed and then they will check the lymph nod in the upper lob. If that has to be removed most likely they will take the entire left lung out. However if the lesion is not cancerous they will close me up.

As we reflect on our set backs, we must remember what we are told in the Word of God, “For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the LORD.” (Isaiah 55:8) ——— Hebrews 13:5, *Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.*

Please pray for:

- Peace for the family during the operation
- The Doctors wisdom as they operate, that the right decisions will be made
- A fast recovery for me
- The Lord to help us to be a witness for Him
- The Lord to open doors for our Ministry after the recovery

Thank you for your continued support both prayerfully and financially. May our Heavenly Father continue to bless each of you abundantly.

Under His Wings,

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