

# The DEATRICKS



## Praises

- No surgery needed for cysts!
- Nora is recovering
- Corban is growing
- Airstrip open on Malaita
- Family and friends who love and pray for us
- New supporting churches

## Prayer Needs

- Continued healing for Nora
- Wisdom for a departure date
- Openings with doctors in Australia
- Continued safety on the road
- Full support in His timing

## Support Level

- 85%

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

June 2017

"Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do *it*." -1 Thessalonians 5:24. The past several weeks have been filled with doctors appointments and blood tests for Nora. Thank you so much for your patience with us in getting this update letter out. Through everything, God has shown Himself once again to be in control. One area of concern was ovarian cysts that Nora's oncologist had told us would not disappear on their own and would need to be surgically removed after the delivery of Corban. Praise the Lord that a follow up ultrasound showed that one had completely disappeared and the other had shrunk significantly and surgery is not required. That was a huge answer to prayer! After appointments with Nora's Hematologist, we have learned that her blood clot has turned chronic and although there is a chance of chronic pain and swelling, there is not a chance of it causing damage to her heart or lungs. We also discovered that Nora has some genetic blood clotting disorders that put her at a high risk for clots which explains the huge DVT she got back in December. We are so thankful that we are called by the Great Physician, and He is more than capable of supplying for our needs and giving us the strength that we need to do what He has called us to do. None of this has been a surprise to Him. Nora has been gaining back strength after the months on bedrest and Corban is growing and learning daily and is a constant ray of sunshine in our home. God is so faithful!

We would greatly appreciate prayer in the coming weeks as we decide on a departure date. In order for Nora to get established with doctors and adequate health care nearest to us, we are looking to make our way to Australia for a few months before the Solomon Islands. This will allow Nora to become acquainted with her doctors and they acquainted with her conditions. Australia's close proximity will allow me to make trips to the Solomon Islands during this time and get details settled for visas and housing. Our desire and tentative plan is to depart this fall. We will be working in the coming weeks to settle on an exact departure date. Please pray that God would give us the wisdom and the strength we need in the coming weeks as there is much preparation to be done. We both are so excited and anxious to get to the Solomon Islands!

Many exciting things have happened concerning our deputation ministry and future ministry in the Islands. First, we are excited to say that more churches have partnered with us in our ministry to the Solomon Islands. We now stand at 85% of our needed support. We also have a couple of churches voting on us soon. Please pray that the Lord will bring in the remainder of our support quickly - in His perfect timing! We are excited to be finishing up deputation in the coming months and take the next step in our ministry. We have mentioned at many churches during deputation that the airport on Malaita was closed. We asked you to pray that the Lord would resolve this situation before we arrived in the Islands. We praise the Lord that the airport has opened now and flights are available. God is so good!

Thank you so much for your love and prayers throughout these past several months. We know that the prayers of God's people have been instrumental in sustaining us. May God bless you and keep you all as you continue to serve Him.

All for Him,

Michael and Nora Deatrick and Baby Corban