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Dear Friends and Faithful Supporters,

I write with gratitude for your prayers and partnership in the work the Lord has given us. You have stood with our family and ministry, and I do not take that lightly.

Over the past months, I have walked through a difficult physical trial. I was diagnosed with Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), a condition that brought daily, severe pain. For long stretches, my pain levels remained at a 9 or 10. This affected my body and limited my ability to carry out ministry consistently.

After prayer and counsel, I made the decision to step away for a season and pursue intensive treatment. For over 100 days, I received care twice a day at a clinic away from home. Treatments were evaluated daily and adjusted based on how my body responded. The process was demanding, but it was necessary. There were days when progress felt slow, but the Lord was at work. My wife, Kim, has walked faithfully beside me through this entire season, and I thank the Lord for her strength, care, and constant encouragement.

During this season, the Lord met me in a deeper way. Passages like 2 Corinthians 12 became more than familiar words. "My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness." The Lord slowed me down, steadied my heart, and taught me to depend on Him more fully than I had before.

By God's grace, I have completed treatment and returned home. My condition has improved. Where pain once remained at a constant 9 or 10, it now ranges from 0 to 3. While I will continue to live with CRPS, remission means that flare-ups are less intense, shorter, and more manageable. I am no longer where I was, and for that I give God praise.

I am now beginning a gradual return to ministry. I am resuming my work with missionaries, leading the missions office, preaching, mentoring, reaching the lost, and writing. I have been counseled not to rush back into a full schedule, and I am seeking to steward both my health and my calling with care.

My season of pain has not changed my mission. It has clarified it.

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and faithful support. You were not distant from this trial. You were part of what sustained me through it.

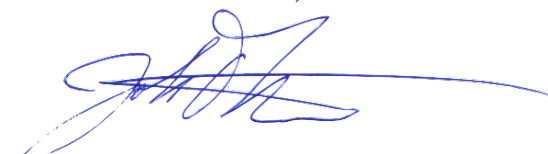
As we move forward, please pray:

- That the Lord would preserve the progress made in my body
- That I would have wisdom in pacing my responsibilities
- That there would be no significant setbacks
- That the Lord would continue to use this ministry for His glory and the strengthening of His churches
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The God who allows the thorn also gives grace. The thorn remains. So does His strength.

Thank you for standing with us.

Yours for the harvest,



John O'Malley