March 2016 The Wyrick UpDate

Dear Friends,

We praise the Lord for His goodness and wonderful, marvelous grace. The other morning at the clinic during devotions I was sharing a quote from a book that I have been reading recently called "Looking Up When Life Gets You Down" by Warren Wiersbe. "God is greater than our problems. God is greater than our feelings. Think of that! The God of the galaxies is the God who knows when your heart is broken - and He can heal it! He can number the stars, and yet He watches over His people personally and individually!" Psalm 147:3-5 says "3 He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. 4 He telleth the number of the stars; He calleth them all by their names. 5 Great is our Lord, and of great power: His understanding is infinite."

A lot has happened since we last wrote. God has brought many people into our lives. It is our prayer that God will continue to use us to minister to them. On Christmas eve, Nancy and I were headed north on the Richardson Highway. By the providence of God we were near a house where a lady had fallen and her son had called 911. Since I am the chaplain for the fire department, we heard the call and asked for a description of the house. We assisted the medics with getting her down the stairs so that they could take her to the hospital which is 100 miles away in Fairbanks. A few weeks later, one of the staff at the senior assisted living center that we visit and where we hold services on Sunday afternoons told us that she was in the rehab center at the hospital in Fairbanks and asked if I would visit her. The next time we went to Fairbanks I stopped in and met her again. She did not remember me, but since then we have gotten better acquainted. Each time we visit we talk about the goodness of God and rejoice over how God has touched her. Lord willing, she will be able to come back to Delta soon. We look forward to being able to visit with her then.

We lost a dear friend on January 25th. She was not only a dear friend, but also an encourager and a wonderful Christian lady. She had been battling sickness for a long time. A couple of years ago she was no longer able to come to services. She asked if we would come to her. So we began to have Bible study in her home. It was a real blessing to be around her. She never complained and was always willing to help others. While we were in the emergency room with her, she told me that she was not homesick but if God wanted to take her home, she was ready. God took her home a week later. She will be missed, but we rejoice knowing she is no longer suffering but rejoicing and praising her Savior. As God would have it, the week Mary was in the hospital, one of the nurses she had on the night shift was a nurse I had while I was there back in December. At night she came in and we would talk about the things of God and pray. She got to know Mary and had a real love for her. She took very good care of Mary, as well as Mary's daughter and son that were staying with her at the hospital. When the time came, it was more of a time of rejoicing and praising God for His wonderful grace and mercy.



It seems that for most of the month of January and first part of February we were at the hospital with so many people that were experiencing health needs. One night a few weeks back there was a medic call for a lady that we know. I serve in the volunteer fire department with her grandson and had talked with her and her husband at the clinic earlier that same day. The ambulance transported her to the hospital that evening. Nancy and I knew that their pastor and grandson were both out of town. So we met them at the hospital. We prayed with them and stayed there with them to show them they were not alone. This past weekend I saw this lady's daughter. She came up to me and began to cry. She thanked us for being there for her parents. We count it a privilege to be able to show the love of God by being there for others in their time of need. This week we took an elderly man to the cancer center in Fairbanks for his first appointment since being diagnosed with cancer. We still recall how we felt a little more than 2 years ago when we faced that as well. There were so many people praying for us at that time. We had the peace of God knowing that we have a Savior that knew all about it from before the foundation of the world. Please pray that we can minister to him as we demonstrate the love of God.

We praise the Lord for all of you that pray for us so faithfully. It would not be possible for us to do what we do if it were not for your prayers and support. We do not take it for granted and are so thankful for all that is given to support the work here.

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