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Greetings from Burlington, North Carolina. Nancy and I were to fly back to Alaska on January 31st for three weeks to take care of some things, both ministry and personal. But God had another plan. Nancy's Dad was taken to the ER on Friday, January 28th. He was in the hospital for 12 days suffering with dehydration from an intestinal virus. Please keep him in prayer as he is in a skilled nursing facility for rehab to help him regain strength and mobility. Many of you have been in this situation yourself and realize how difficult it is to see a loved one suffer. All we can do is rest in our loving Savior's arms knowing that He knows best and has a purpose. We know His grace is sufficient. "And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me." — 2 Corinthians 12:9 (KJV). God is good all the time. He has proved it over and over again. We must trust Him and know that it will be ok, because God makes no mistakes.

It is difficult to be away from Alaska for any length of time, especially when we know that the people to whom and with whom we minister are going through difficult times. Due to an unusually large amount of snow this season, it has been a very difficult winter for the Interior of Alaska. Roofs have collapsed on several buildings. Covid-19 continues to spread there in the community as well. And if that is not enough, there is a shortage of food because of the trucking situation, not only in Delta but in Fairbanks as well. I know God can take care of the situation and that He doesn't need my help. But we still have a desire to be there to be used by God to help those who are hurting.

But God has us here for now. We appreciate all of you that are praying for us and understand the reason we need to be away from Alaska. God has given us opportunities to visit many of our supporting churches and we hope to see more of you soon, Lord willing. We praise the Lord for our home church, McLeansville Baptist Church, and for their wonderful love gift towards a newer vehicle. Because of their gift as well as gifts from many more churches and individuals, we were able to put a large down payment on a 2010 4x4 Yukon XL. It is 12 years newer than what we have now and definitely in much better shape. We still owe more on it and must spend a little more to outfit it and get it winterized for Alaska winters before we head back home. We praise the Lord for all of you that have given for the purchase of the vehicle. Please continue to pray that the rest of the funds will come in so that it will be paid for before we leave for Alaska. We serve a gracious and merciful God. He is good all the time. We continue to trust Him and pray that His will be done in our lives, no matter where we may be serving Him.

Please keep those in Alaska in your prayers. The spiritual need is great. Pray also for the physical needs due to food supply shortages, sickness and difficulties caused by the severe weather. Flooding is always a concern when the spring thaw arrives, but with the larger than normal snowfall, flooding will be a great threat. Please continue to keep Nancy and her parents in prayer and pray that we will stay focused on our Savior and trust Him with unwavering faith.

Love in Christ,

Ernie + Nancy Wyrick

Ernie and Nancy