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Greetings from Delta Junction, Alaska. "I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust." Psalm 91:2. I am sorry for the delay in getting out a letter to you. There has been a lot taking place since February. My 2012 MacBook finally gave up and I had to purchase a Windows PC, not my first choice but what was affordable. After a short time, I had to send it back to the factory for repairs - twice. They ended up replacing several components, but thankfully it seems to finally be working fine.

But that has been the least of what has been happening. I was taken to the hospital on March 18th. The clinic here in Delta was not sure what was happening. The EKG showed that the heart was good, but they wanted to be sure there were no blood clots since I was not getting enough air. After being taken by medic unit to the hospital 98 miles away, spending several hours in the ER, the doctor told me "I know what it isn't, but I don't know what it is that is causing your breathing problem". What wonderful, reassuring words from a doctor. Since then, I have been poked, prodded, scanned, nuked (for a nuclear CT scan) and had many vials of blood taken. But there is still no answer. My O2 levels can go from the low 80's to 100% in a matter of minutes and then back down just as fast. Some of the scans have shown that my lungs are not fully inflating. The last scan that was done showed that there is an issue with my left lung, not sure exactly what it is. I am still waiting on more test results. It would be very disheartening if I did not know that God has this and that even though it has the doctors baffled, God knows all about it. We are trying to stay focused on Him and keep going on for Him as we wait for answers. Keep Nancy in your prayers as well. She flew back to Alaska from NC to be here in Alaska with me. As you remember from our last letter, we were going to NC to be with Nancy's parents. Nancy flew down first and I was going to follow a few weeks later, but God had other plans. I began having medical problems not long after she left, and things just got worse over time.

Praise the Lord, Pastor Cliff's back problem has greatly improved. He is not completely healed but making good progress. He also is recovering from the heart attack he suffered on February 18th. He has returned to preaching and we praise the Lord for bringing him through that ordeal. God has been so good.

I have been able to get out into the community more now that winter has finally ended to do some visiting and helps ministry for some that need extra help. I have had the opportunity to work with the medics more closely and have seen what alcohol and drugs can do to people. It really has given me a burden for these individuals. Sadly, they are transported to the hospital and then put right back out on the street because there is no place for them because all the places are full. I think of one individual that has been found in all kinds of places and in terrible condition and has tried to drink himself to death. I have had the opportunity to speak with this individual several times. But due to his condition at the time, he probably does not remember much that I said, but I pray that the Gospel will come to his mind, and he will call upon the Lord and be saved. If he does not recall what I said, then maybe the tract he stuck in his pocket will remind him. Please pray not only for him, but also for the many more here in this community and around Alaska on which alcohol and drugs have a strong hold that they will hear and accept the Gospel and be freed. I have a burden for these individuals that seem to be pushed aside. They are sobered up, put right back out in the same situations, and fall back into the trap the devil has set for them. Pray that God will give us wisdom as to how we can reach these individuals with the Gospel and how we can, with God's help, get them out of this terrible pit they continue to fall into that leads them down the road to destruction. I know only God can help them but help us pray how He can use us to reach these individuals.

Nancy and I appreciate all your prayers and support. We do not take it for granted. We are thankful for every prayer that is said on our behalf and every penny that is given toward the work here in Delta Junction. We are so blessed to have such wonderful individuals standing with us so that we can get the Gospel out to those who need to hear.

In His service,

Ernie + Nancy Wyrick