



Dear Prayer Partner,

Hi there! October has been a month of great blessing for us and we are grateful for all of your prayers and support.

During this past month we have experienced a myriad of blessings. We were informed by the hospital that they were forgiving us the unpaid balance of my surgery bill – that’s about 40% of the total bill! We also learned that the anesthesiologist reduced my bill by 50%. With the surgeon’s bill reduced by 50% to start with our total debt for this knee surgery has been much less than what we had first expected. And the best news of all is that the surgeon has now given me his blessing to walk on my leg! Between your continued prayers and the great outpouring of love that everyone has been expressing with financial gifts our family has been very, very blessed. I also, this month, had a job interview that I am praying will provide our family with the extra income necessary for depleting the rest of our debt. So the month of October has been a month of God’s great provision for sure. Thank you for continuing to pray for us.

Every year since TSO's inception we have participated with Samaritan’s Purse by making up shoe-boxes for poor children around the world for *Operation Christmas Child* (www.samaritanspurse.org/occ.asp). Each year we have increased the number of shoe-boxes that we made - last year we made about 50 boxes with the residents in the various care facilities. Unfortunately because of my accident we were not able to increase our level of participation, in fact I was not planning to participate at all because of the disruption to my schedule. However, at one of the facilities the residents showed me the boxes that they had obtained and wrapped as they were anticipating Operation Christmas Child again this year. So faced with that I decided that we could still do these six boxes and we bought all the ingredients necessary to fill those boxes. One of our prayer partners had wanted to donate wind-up flashlights for each box and these were a *great* item to include. I am already looking forward to next year’s boxes so that we can be sure to include such a generous and practical item! So as it is now there are six boxes full of gifts for 6-9 year old boys who will be getting some very cool stuff for Christmas this year. Please pray that God makes his love and grace known to the boys through these boxes and the ministry of Samaritan’s Purse.

As I am back on my feet again (and getting strong enough to get back to life as it was) there are some things that have changed due to my accident that will likely change the state of the ministry for the future. First, my family and I have begun worshipping and getting involved with a local church on Sunday mornings and we are part of a local weekly community group. This is something that was necessary for our own personal spiritual health and something that will continue. Second, is that because of the accident we are in a financial situation that requires that we increase our income to cover the increased bills. This means that I have to find extra work. What both of these mean is that the ministry is going to suffer for a little while longer. The ministry is currently operating at 25% of what it was just six months ago. I was traveling to and serving 12 facilities each week but now I am only able to serve six of those facilities (three facilities every other week). As I am rejoining the work force please pray for me as I seek God’s direction for how to continue to minister effectively and grow the ministry while still being a valuable employee to my new employer.

As November rolls through and Christmas comes upon us I would like to wish you a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving. All too often we get wrapped up in the Black-Friday sales and we can be tempted to forget to relax and enjoy our loved ones and be truly thankful for *who* we have.

Happy Thanksgiving!

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