

OCTOBER 8, 1985

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IN THIS PHOTO, I HAD JUST ARRIVED BACK TO MY HANGAR AND HOME AT THE MISSION SCHOOL BASE, AFTER HAVING BEEN GONE FOR FOUR DAYS WITH THE GUERILLAS. GOD HELPED ME ESCAPE FROM THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMED FORCES OF COLOMBIA ON **OCTOBER 8TH 1985, AT 1:58am THIS MORNING....** IT WAS GOOD TO BE HOME WITH MY YOUNGEST SON LUKE AT MY SIDE AND TALKING TO MY WIFE PAT ALONG WITH THE EXCITED SCHOOL STAFF & CHILDREN. ON THIS DAY LARRY WAS IN THE JUNGLE WITH THE MACU TRIBE AND LISA WAS IN THE USA AT MISSIONARY TRAINING.....!



Happy October – 2022 Greetings in Jesus Name!

Well... August and September are gone but there were special memories during those months! We got to celebrate a couple of birthdays and they were pretty special! On August 7 I turned a mere 82 years old. But on September 2, our Kim turned a 1/2 century old!!! 50 years old! We had to do that one up big so the first party we had for her was at the hanger break room and that one was a surprise for her and that was fun! Our second grandson Lee, turned 29 years but we never got to see him; he lives in Phoenix area. Soon, our Lisa will celebrate 36 years of marriage to Kevin. God is good!

This October... Is a month of remembrance! Paul and I remember all too well what could have been a terrible tragedy, but God turned it out for good. In this very month, 37 years ago, God allowed my husband to escape out of the hands of the worst group of gorillas there is in Colombia! The men kidnapped Paul and three other missionaries and today only one of them, Steve Estelle who was held captive along with the Cains in another location, is alive along with Paul. All three were released, but Covid took Tim and Bunny Cain home to heaven this past year. The Guerrillas held Paul captive for four days, then God got him out at 1:58am on the fifth morning from their camp, which was located in the middle of the Colombian jungle.

As a couple, we again thank and praise our God for his mercy toward us, that we still have each other! The other five missionaries that were kidnapped, after October 1985, never made it back to their families. Why he kept Paul alive I'll never understand other than he kept us for more work that needed to be done here in Arizona!

We have been called religious volunteers now for a little over 28 years so getting older, and then the Covid, has made it more difficult for me to go with Paul into the local prison 20 minutes away. So he has been going alone, but my prayers follow him closely! **My husband wrote down for me some encouraging things to share with you in this letter!**

~“Men, like dear Evan, meet me at the gate every Sunday at 8:30am and help carry my stuff to the chapel! Sometimes it's a heavy load!”

~“New men are coming to the meetings now, due to the regular attenders sharing out on the yard, what they are learning from the Word of God!”

~“ I watched four men excitedly expressing their joy, how the Lord has answered their prayer for a family member who was very sick with cancer!”

~“Many of the men have asked us to join them in prayer concerning their unsaved loved ones. It is great to see the concern and burden on their hearts for the lost!”

~“We have a great time singing **“Songs With a Message”** that's the name of the songbook we sing out of!! The men love to sing...!”

~“The prison has given each inmate an iPad, on which many have chosen to look at the TBN station, where they have watched the new series ... a story about Jesus shared in a new way called “THE CHOSEN”... Of the 8 Seasons they plan for, so far, the producers have completed season one and two. Most of the inmates have watched season one and we're anxiously awaiting season two...

We have been approved to show both seasons, of which we have showed them all eight episodes of season one! Last Sunday we started on season two. Eight new men showed up

saying that they came because they had seen the first season on their iPads but season two was not available yet. They told me “we can't wait to see the next eight episodes.”! The inmates are really into the story and there is much cheering as they watch Jesus in action....!!

~We never leave any of the three prison complexes without hearing the men say “thanks for coming and not forgetting us brother ...we love you and Pat” of course I tell them “I love you...you are my brothers and family in Christ!”.... Thus Paul continues to go each early Sunday morning in spite of his infirmities, to begin his long Sunday to share the Word of God amongst these men... **These are the kind of needy men that God has brought us back to Arizona for**, these last years of our lives!! They too are in a jungle of sorts, a prison and we have taken on the great opportunity to love them and share God's word with them so that they can be set free!

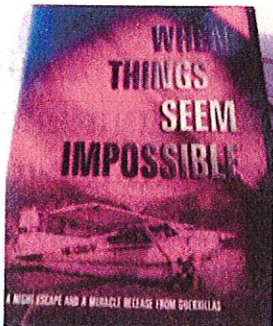
Then of course we have our neighbors, and the many others we've met that God has brought into our lives and have gotten to know. Remember we asked prayer for Roberto? We had many hours of teaching with him. He is finally in Cancun, Mexico! He saw God at work and getting him from here to there with minimal problems and safety! We continue to reach out to the needy folks – the sick and the lonely and those that think they are good enough for heaven the way they are: pray for an awakening amongst them please!!

Please continue to pray for us, it takes effort to do this. Just the other day we shared with an older 90 year old man friend that needed our help. Paul invited him in after going to town with him, and we gave him a glass of our favorite cold drink which we all enjoyed! He thinks he's good enough. We

reminded him that we desire him to go to heaven where his recently deceased wife is and wanted so badly to have him there with her: we used to pray with her for that to happen!! We know that only through believing in Christ who died for him can he go to heaven! His name is Paul, of all things! Sweet and friendly to all... We knew his wife well but she died in the local nursing home during the Covid... lonely but at least they finally let her husband Paul in when she was dying... Poor man: (pray for Paul. His days are few!

Yesterday we went to an oncologist for my Paul to be examined. We had recently gone to his dermatologist and this doctor felt he needed to have a lump on his neck examined which is on the same side where the other cancer was removed. So that's what we are thinking of these days... A good way of prodding us on to be faithful servant until he calls us home!! More tests are needed... But we learned that Paul's doctors are talking together by phone!... They must think he's important! I surely do, and I thank God for these years together and that we still have each other!! Pray for Paul who will become as old as his wife on the 30th of October please!

*Space is running out here! Our special love is sent your way and heartfelt thanks for your support sent to us to keep us going!! This could be our last letter! **What a great thought ...Jesus may come back today! We are anxiously awaiting this great event !!! Perhaps today!!!** Paul and Pat Dye*



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