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## Dearest Ones that love us and pray for us cuz you are concerned about us!

Again we greet you in the name of our precious Lord Jesus from hot hot AZ. The kind of days old folks like us should be staying inside!:(But instead we are having to run around up to Tucson(2 hr.trip) to see the Dr. and Paul getting his radiation treatments...and getting paperwork from our PCP dr. to get to go to another Dr. This growing old is NOT for sissies! Nor for the faint-hearted! And they are surely not the golden years we had heard about growing up but instead, they are rather tainted! I went thru a procedure up in Tucson as well and to my dismay they couldn't finish it cuz the count was too high. Driving 2 hrs.—putting on a gown and not getting the test done is rather discouraging indeed!(But I did go and ask for my copay back and they gave it to me!

Yesterday Paul went with our Son Larry, as I was bushed from the day before... for his 2nd radiation treatment and before they screwed down his mask...the machine was broken! Now that's Tucson!BIG CITY! Not Sierra Vista- out in the country so to speak- and only one hr. away from home where we went for the last radiation treatments and we were told their machine was too old to even use(tho we were told that too late!). It's so great to know we are in God's Love and Care!!! Such goings on are unbelievable! Also, we had appts. with Paul's surgeon to do Paul's hip replacement surgery on 8-8-23. Thursday nite in the mail, we received word that the insurance is denying that operation!! Paul is in tremendous pain because of his hip and it's much more than the pain on his face!! So our surgeon said he'd work on that reversal of the insurance Co.So do keep interceding for us please! Paul feels this hip replacement surgery will help him immensely!

I went to see that new film that is out now, with my son and daughter! Being missionaries in Colombia, we were well aware of these things going on already in those countries. Some of the movie even made us homesick for Colombia! We

are grateful that this horrendous sin is being brought out into the open, to the attention of the whole world! Hollywood might get saved yet!!!

Well...Paul is leaving soon for his first service at the local prison which is only 15-20 minutes away. Then tomorrow he will have one morning service, then an evening meeting where the most men attend. Our mission field is almost right in our back yard! My dear Husband will no doubt keep going until he cannot go anymore...and I hope to join him sometime! But since we are praying for a miracle and how the Inmates pray over Paul...and you dear Ones...God may do something on behalf of His Servant don't you think? Many friends gave \$ so that our kids could buy a decent chair for him to sleep in. This hip and growth of his doesn't allow him to sleep in a bed anymore and it causes much pain. With this new chair my children purchased is being a real blessing indeed to my husband... But he really needs this operation!

\*We had a visit from a former inmate the other day!!. He brot his wife and two kids a well and as he said" Its been too long since we've been together". He said in his text to me He wanted his own Kids to get to know the people that had such an influence on his life and our testimonies there in the prison back then, is what he is today because of it. You can imagine the joy those words brot us! Our time together-(11 til 3:30pm) was very profitable and his kids were a large part of our conversation of course! They had a 3 hour trip back home-cuz we live so far! We keep getting tidbits from others as well and it fills our hearts with thanks, knowing that *His* Word never returns void! Life is not easy for these men as they leave here and go back to what they knew. Many decisions have to be made in order for them to stay close to the Lord!!. They must find good wives as well! So you see dear Ones we all need your faithful prayers in these days for them and for us...God bless you all for standing behind us and alongside us with your gifts of love ... May He bless you richly for it all! We leave you with this verse found in the book of James 5:16... "Confess your faults, one to another, and pray one for another,, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much!"

PERHAPS TODAY...JESUS WILL COME!!
GRATEFULLY YOURS...PAUL AND PAT DYE

P.S. God has answered prayer even before I get this out to you! The insurance has written us and told us in the letter they reviewed our reconsideration appeal request and GRANTED OUR REQUEST! Paul is overjoyed!



## **AUGUST- SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER!**

HI! THIS IS STILL US!! BUT NOW... ME WITH A CANE WHICH PAUL BORROWED FOR A WHILE AFTER HIS HIP REPLACEMENT ON AUGUST 8TH ~A DAY AFTER MY 83RD BIRTHDAY, WHICH ENDED UP REALLY WELL FOR WHICH WE PRAISE GOD!

I WROTE A LETTER, BUT WHAT WITH ALL THAT WAS GOING ON, FORGIVE ME I NEVER GOT IT SENT: (I JUST AINT WHAT I USED TO BE FOLKS!! BUT AM ATTEMPTING AGAIN TO LET YOU KNOW WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN OUR LIVES... AND HOW WE ARE DOING! THIS IS SEPTEMBER 2ND TODAY IS (OUR DAUGHTER IN LOVES( 51ST BIRTHDAY) AND SHE DOESN'T LOOK A DAY OVER 25! ASK HER HUSBAND, HE'D TELL YOU THE SAME THING:) YESTERDAY WAS A HAPPY DAY AS WE TRAVELED TO TUCSON(THIS TIME FOR A FUN TIME) AND CELEBRATED OUR 2ND GRANDSON'S 30TH BIRTHDAY!

WELL WHATEVER OF THE 36 POUNDS PAUL HAS LOST IN ALL OF THIS SUFFERING OF CANCER AND ITS CURES, HIS WIFE HAS FOUND THEM...GUESS I WASN'T TRUSTING GOD ENOUGH OR HUNGER TOOK OVER?? ANYWAY...AFTER 29 DAYS OF RADIATION TREATMENTS, INCLUDING THE 2 HR. CAR TRIPS TO TUCSON AND BACK...PAUL BEGAN TO LOSE HIS APPETITE AND LEARNED TOO LATE, THAT THE RADIATION HAD BURNED HIS SALIVARY GLANDS AND HE WASN'T ABLE TO TASTE EVEN GOOD FOOD THAT HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER HAD TRIED TO MAKE FOR HIM...HE SAID THE TASTE IN HIS MOUTH WAS ENOUGH TO MAKE HIM GAG: (IN THE MIDST OF ALL THIS, PAUL BEGAN A TREATMENT OF INFUSION SHOTS WHICH HE WOULD RECEIVE EVERY THREE WEEKS...GOD IS PROVIDING FOR THESE SEEMINGLY MADE OF GOLD INJECTIONS AND WE ARE SO GRATEFUL TO GOD FOR HIS PEOPLE!!

LARRY WAS PAUL'S THERAPIST AND GYM BOSS AFTER THE HIP OPERATION AND RETURNING HOME THE VERY SAME DAY! (WHO EVERY HEARD OF SUCH A THING EH?) AND PAUL BEGAN WALKING VERY QUICKLY AND HAS DONE SO WELL, HE LEFT HIS WALKER BEHIND AND LEFT MY CANE AND IS NOW ABLE TO GET BACK TO THE PRISON WHERE MEN THERE HAVE PRAYED DILIGENTLY FOR THEIR PRISON PASTOR. PAUL HAS HAD 2 BAPTISMAL MEETINGS AND SO THERE IS LOTS OF TEACHING TO GO ALONG WITH THAT. ONE MAN WHO CAME

TO PAUL'S LARGEST GROUP OF MEN, ONE HAD BEEN IN PRISON BEFORE, AND NOW HAD RETURNED. BUT...N SPITE OF THE SHAME AND HUMILIATION OF BEING BACK IN THE PRISON, HE WENT TO THEIR CHAPEL AND ATTENDED PAUL'S MEETING! JAVIER, WHICH WAS HIS NAME AND WE ALWAYS CALLED HIM BY THAT NAME... CAME UP TO PAUL AFTERWARDS.. PAUL DIDN'T RECOGNIZE HIM RIGHT AWAY BUT AFTER CONVERSING, IT CAME BACK TO MY HUSBAND HOW THAT THIS WAS THE MAN THAT WOULD MEET US AT THE GATE, CARRY OUR BELONGINGS FOR US AND SEEMED SO INTENT ON BEING FAITHFUL TO THE LORD. THEN HE GOT OUT AND HAD TO FACE LIFE WITH A SON THAT HAD GROWN OLDER AND HAD A BAD CASE OF AUTISM AND HE WASN'T UP TO SUCH A JOB AND BECAME OVERWHELMED AND LEFT THIS

RESPONSIBILITY, AND GAVE IT BACK TO HIS PARENTS. WHO HAD CARED FOR THE BOY PREVIOUSLY, AND BAD DECISIONS WERE MADE... A HARD BEGINNING AND WE DON'T KNOW THE REST OF THE STORY THAT BROUGHT HIM BACK TO PRISON...BUT... IT WAS A TIME OF REJOICING FOR PAUL AND THIS MAN TO BE TOGETHER AGAIN.>>THIS WAS ONE OF THE MEN THAT PAUL BAPTIZED THAT NIGHT...GLORY TO GOD!! PRAY FOR JAVIER AS HE HAS LEFT PRISON AGAIN AND NOW FACING HARD JOBS AGAIN!!

WE THANK GOD FOR THE MANY SAFE HOURS HE GAVE US ON THE ROAD. AFTER PAULS OPERATION!! IT WAS DECIDED THAT LARRY OUR OLDEST SON WOULD DO THE DRIVING.. HE TOOK THAT UPON HIMSELF. EVEN THO IT MEANT HE HAD TO BE AT WORK IN THE HANGAR EARLY TO GET OTHER JOBS DONE FIRST. HIS WIFE, KIMBERLY, WHO TODAY ON HER BIRTHDAY IS CELEBRATING UP IN THE MOUNTAINS OF AZ. AND (THE DAY IS ABOUT PERFECT )WAS LEFT AT HOME ALONE ALOT, POOR DEAR!! WE WILL ~ALL~ BE THANKFUL WHEN IT'S OVER!!

THIS NEXT MONTH OF OCTOBER WE WILL BE REMEMBERING AGAIN, THE ACCOUNT OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS TO MY HUSBAND (AND ALL US DYE'S!)) WHEN HE WAS KIDNAPPED -AND TAKEN FARAWAY ON OCTOBER 4TH, 1985, BY COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS KNOWN AS THE FARC IN COLOMBIA. (IM NOT SO SURE... WHICH IS HARDER, HEARING MY MAN HAD BEEN TAKEN CAPTIVE OR SEEING HIM SUFFER WITH THIS CANCER AND THE RADIATION TREATMENTS BURNING HIS NECK SO BADLY!

BUT IN BOTH EVENTS...GOD HAS KEPT MY HUSBAND ALIVE AND THO HEAVEN IS A WONDERFUL PLACE AND WE ARE LONGING TO GO THERE, AND OUR SALVATION IS SURE.....IT CERTAINLY HAS BEEN SUCH A BLESSING TO HAVE HIM YET BY MY SIDE... WE HELP EACH OTHER THE BEST WE CAN. OUR HEARING HAS BEEN SORELY AFFECTED...BUT PAUL CAN WALK AND DOES LOTS OF WALKING ICANNOT DO LOTS AND IS DOING JUST THAT INTO THE PRISON COMPLEXES AND GOD HAS SENT HELPERS TO HIM RECENTLY AND THE OFFICER OPENED ALL THE HEAVY DOORS FOR PAUL! GOD BLESS THIS MAN FOR THIS THOUGHTFUL DEED DONE FOR MY HUSBAND!!

**OUR SON LUKE AND HIS FAMILY CELEBRATED 17 YRS AS PASTOR AT WHITESTONE** COMMUNITY CHURCH AND HAD A MORNING MEETING OUTSIDE AND ALL OF LUKE'S THREE CHURCH MEETING FOLK WERE THERE ALL TOGETHER FOR THIS EVENT!. 39 INDIVIDUALS WERE BAPTIZED! I AM SURE LUKE'S BACK WAS CRYING OUT IN PAIN AT THE FINISH! ITAM SURE HE WAS FEELING HIS AGE THAT DAY AS HE JUST HAD HIS -51ST BIRTHDAY ON JUNE 14TH! ALL OUR CHILDREN ARE AGING AND SO ARE WE... LIKE BILLY GRAHAM SAID ONE DAY..."I KNEW I WAS GOING TO GROW OLD...BUT JUST NEVER REALIZED IT WOULD HAPPEN SO QUICKLY!" BUT GOD PROMISED US IN ISAIAH 46:3-4 "EVEN TO YOUR OLD AGE AND GRAY HAIRS I AM HE, I AM HE WHO WILL SUSTAIN YOU!" AND YOU TOO! THANKS FOR STANDING WITH US...GOD HAS ALLOWED US MORE THAN THE PROMISED 70 YEARS "THE GLORY OF THE YOUNG IS THEIR STRENGTH; THE GRAY HAIR OF EXPERIENCE IS THE SPLENDOR OF THE OLD.: EVERY DAY IS A GIFT FROM GOD, AND THE ACCUMULATION OF DAYS, MONTHS AND YEARS IS THE CUMULATIVE GIFT OF GOD!! SO SCRIPTURE INSISTS OLD AGE IS ONE OF GOD'S GIFTS. SO PAUL WILL HAVE A BIRTHDAY OCTOBER 30TH —A GIFT FROM GOD!! -83 LIKE ME!!

SO... UNTIL ANOTHER TIME DEAREST ONES...LOVE AND HUGS

of your care over w Seing a bright spot in God's world and mine! (ou