

Kreeger Kronicles
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We actually started this update about six weeks ago, but it was delayed a couple times!

We officially “retired” January 1st this past year, but we have been so busy in this new phase of our lives that the word “retirement” doesn’t really apply! In order to help our son-in-law finish up his last semester of nursing school and while Kim was teaching full-time, we continued to care for their youngest daughter, Rose. She just turned four and as of three weeks ago was able to start pre-school at the same school Kim is teaching at. We miss having her with us every day! She certainly kept us active!

Doug is now serving at Heritage Baptist, our sending church, as a deacon. He has also spent the last several months writing a new course for the Seminary in Santiago. This past week after talking with Mauricio, the new Seminary director in Santiago, it looks like Doug will have the opportunity to teach “in person” this new course as a module the first two weeks of March. He will then teach a weekly class by way of Zoom for the remainder of the semester after returning home. We covet your prayers as we seek the Lord’s leading in his making this trip. COVID is still an item to be considered in plans that we make regarding his travel.

Until just recently COVID in Chile has kept many of the churches, along with the Seminary, limited to on-line preaching and teaching. They have been allowed gatherings of larger groups the last several months and are rejoicing in the opportunity to worship corporately and fellowship together once more. The church in San Bernardo and also their daughter work in Buin have grown during the past two years even though they have not been together in-person.

COVID/Delta also visited our family. Several of our children, one of our grandchildren and then Sharon all tested positive in July/August. We didn’t even pass it between our homes for the most part. Sharon’s sister and then her husband also contracted COVID, and the Lord chose to call Nancy’s husband Don home to Himself the middle of August. Our hearts have been heavy in the loss, but we rejoice that Don is healed and rejoicing in his Savior’s presence.

Sharon’s cancer journey did not end with last year’s round of radiation. In July another tumor was found, again in her lung. Several scans and a biopsy were done in the last several months. Then she finished up radiation treatment six weeks ago. Two weeks ago, she had an on-line video with her doctor in Chicago to discuss the biopsy results. He told us that it was the opinion of the “tumor board” at the clinic that she begin

chemotherapy treatment as soon as possible. Their goal is to stop this repetition of new tumors and that it was apparent that there are “cancer cells” still floating around just waiting to make their presence known. Obviously, this was something we had been hoping to avoid since her chemo of four years ago. We put our trust in these doctors these many years and decided to follow their plan. Last week we flew to Chicago for three days of treatments and will do the same every three weeks for a total of six treatments (to mid-March). So far, this first week has been free of severe side effects for which we praise the Lord! So many are praying exactly for this! The Lord’s peace has been overwhelming as we KNOW that He has a perfect plan for our lives and none of this was a surprise to Him! We covet your prayers during the coming months. Pray that Sharon will have many opportunities to share with those she encounters exactly what HE is doing in her life.

We know that many of you continue to faithful pray for us, some continue to give to support us. We are so thankful for your ministry of prayer for us! They are a fragrant offering to Him! We know that the Lord has many opportunities for us to continue to serve Him for which we rejoice.

We are so very thankful for your faithful ministry to us for so many years and during these past two years of change for us. We trust that each of us will rejoice in the wonderful Gift that was sent for us in the Christ child! Remembering that the Gift came to be the ultimate sacrifice for each of us! May you have a blessed Christmas!

Continuing to serve with joy,

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