

Dear Patient Praying Friends!

We want to thank you for your faithfulness to us during the last 6 months as we stepped back from ministry responsibilities. We are thankful for God's grace in our lives and His continued working.

We praise God that we see the end in sight for the completion of our home and the apartment for Diane's dad. There have been some delays which have been discouraging but we continue to trust God for His strength and timing for the final details. Please pray for us as we call for the final inspection this week. After the final inspection we should get a certificate of occupancy and be able to move. Pray for all of the details and for a smooth transition especially for Diane's dad. Change is not easy. We feel blessed to have been given this property. It was first purchased by Diane's grandfather many, many years ago and then passed down to her dad. It is a beautiful, quiet place in the Florida woodlands filled with Deer, Turkey and even an occasional black bear. Our desire is that it will be a place of hospitality, quiet rest and a blessing to many.

We praise God that Diane's sister, Debbie is with us for three weeks. She has been staying with dad and mom at the rental house and we have been staying in the RV at the building site. It has been a blessing! She has been a huge help to us as we finish up the final details of the house. Please pray for her husband Joey who got an infection in his toe and had to have it removed last week. He is healing and received a good report from the doctor today. Debbie flies back to PA on the 30th of July. Pray with us that she might be able to help us move before she has to leave.

Pray with us as we meet with Stephen Simpson, FBM Director in the days ahead and transition back into our ministry. Pray for wisdom as we look at future ministry plans. Pray for Chris as he attends the MCCW (Mission Collaboration Construction Worldwide) board meeting in September. Chris has also been invited to attend the ordination of Marc Beckley, one of our MK's in October. Marc and his wife Joanna plan to join FBM sometime in the future. Pray for them as they seek to follow God where He leads.

Pray for Marsha Haynes. Dan and Marsha served in both Mali and Niger with us. Marsha had a stroke a couple of weeks ago. Pray for wisdom, good rehab and therapy programs and complete healing. Rich Marshall had another surgery on his leg. Pray for complete healing and no further infection. Pray that they will be encouraged as they wait on the Lord.

Pray for our granddaughter, Shelby. She is on a missions team from her church serving in S Korea for a month. Pray for safety, for joy in ministry, for spiritual growth.

We apologize that it has been so long since you have heard from us. We began our Sabbatical emotionally and physically weary. We are thankful for our FBM director and board who were sensitive to our needs. We are thankful for the work that God has done and continues to do in our lives. We are especially thankful for each one of you who faithfully pray for us and encourage us.

Praising God in all things!

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