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Connecting People, Nations and Continents for the Great Commission

“The LORD is my rock, and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.” (Psalm 18:2 ESV)

UNEXPECTED SEPTEMBER EXPERIENCE WITH COVID 19

First of all, our hearts and prayers go out to those of you who are dealing with COVID in your families. For all of us, God is our Fortress and Strong Tower of protection! We’ve all been living in uncharted territory during the pandemic, but for Gary and me life got more uncertain and daunting when he was exposed to COVID in mid-September. I took him to UMC/ER on September 25th, and he was admitted to the COVID floor. He was there for eight days and was released on October 2nd. Due to the isolation guidelines, I was not able to visit him, but I took up care packages several times that were delivered to his room. Thankfully he did not have to be in ICU and he had wonderful, compassionate care from the nursing staff. All of the encouraging prayers, reassuring notes, calls, texts, gift cards and food we’ve received have kept us positive and optimistic. Above all God’s Word kept us anchored and steady as we *“hold fast to the hope set before us.”*

“We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf...” (Hebrews 6:19-20 ESV)

What a whirlwind month September was! But the presence, power and peace of God was always with us as we surrendered our fear and questions to Him in order to hear His voice and receive healing. I (Jane Ann), never did test for COVID but I had several days of low grade fever and low energy, so I quarantined from the time Gary was exposed and while he was hospitalized.

For us this has been a time of transformation. In our recent encounter with COVID, we have become personally acquainted with the challenges of patience, rest and recovery. Our thoughts and prayers go out to so many others who are dealing the same struggles. However, we are not alone, for we stand with one another in the power of prayer and faith.

“We view our slight, short-lived troubles in the light of eternity. We see our difficulties as the substance that produces for us an eternal, weighty glory far beyond all comparison.” (2 Corinthians 4:17 ESV)

Gary is on the road to recovery now, improving and getting stronger every day. God is enabling us to move forward in Him and equipping us for the plans and future He has for us. We continue to desire your prayers for complete healing for him and all those affected by this disease.

“Rarely do we view our challenges as ministry opportunities. But for the child of God, everything, the good, the bad, the joys, the sorrows, the problems, the victories and defeats...all things...are appointed for us. Each is an appointed minister ordained to bring about His purposes, His blessings, His calling, and His destiny in our lives. So be blessed! And that which you thought were your problems will, in the end be revealed as the holy ministers of God, ordained to bring you to the appointed place of His calling on your life. Our Mission is to see our problems and challenges in a new way, as God’s appointed ministers to bring us to the place of His will and destiny.” Our part is to be found faithful, pliable and obedient to His purposes.

(A friend sent me the above devotional from The Appointed that really spoke to me.)

*Thank you for your partnership with us and Gateway Missions. In these recent days we all have been challenged to stay focused on our assignments. Because of your faithfulness, we are able to continue ministering to the dear pastors and leaders who are on the frontlines of the battle. By putting resources in their hands, they are properly equipped to contend for the Gospel. They know **they have not been forgotten!***

Gateway Missions Ministry Schedule 2020/2021

All ministry trips have been suspended for the remainder of 2020 due to the COVID – 19 Pandemic. We are staying in contact with our international leaders and are working to implement new, productive methods for continuing ministry opportunities in the upcoming year. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

Run the Race,



Gary and Jane Ann Casey

“The reason why many are still troubled, still seeking, still making little forward progress is because we haven’t yet come to the end of ourselves. We’re still trying to give orders, and interfering with God’s work within us. – A. W. Tozer

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