

God's Blessings Come in Unusual Ways!

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Dear Praying Friends,

The past 3 years Isaiah 41:10 has been a special blessing to me! *Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; (Yes) yea, I will help thee; (Yes) yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.*

You no doubt have forgotten that I wrote in my letter three years ago that Dotty underwent an operation on her toes where the doctor administered general anesthesia. When she recovered, the confusion and hallucinations were unreal. Even though she has had improved from those first 6 months, she has been diagnosed with dementia. Last year the MRI report of the brain was as follows: "There is diffused metabolic activity throughout the cerebrum compared with prior MRI examination with sparing of the basal ganglia. The least amount of activity is noted in the right temporal lobe." In other words, the blood flow is very limited into the right temporal lobe, which was caused by the anesthesia and medications given at that time. After having numerous different treatments it has been determined that it cannot be corrected.

Even though during those first six months to a year she scarcely recognized me as her husband, at which time I shed many tears, not for myself, but for her — and to be honest, for me too. The pastor has come here a few times to convince her that I am her husband. There has been much improvement as to her knowing me and the activities she does in the home. Because of her continued confusion I have to bathe and dress her and, on Sunday mornings I fix her hair. The things that she is capable of doing in the home is to set the table, wash and dry the dishes and somewhat fold the clothes. I have been doing the cooking, laundry, cleaning and etc. for the past 3½ years. It has only been through the grace of God and your prayers that I have been sustained. Besides listening together to good preaching on the computer and radio and having our daily devotions, we have the Bible in audio, both in Spanish and English, which is a real blessing to both of us. Besides that, we have music resounding in the home most of the rest of the day and Dotty joins-in often signing alto. She is her own sweet, loving self with that winsome smile that goes along with her personality. Her true love for the Lord is always very evident in comments that she makes and especially when she prays, even though she might often repeat herself. She is so very loving toward me! We try to go to Wal-Mart to walk to get as much exercise as possible. Whenever, I have errands she goes with me most everywhere. At times Dotty cannot find the words to express herself in English, so she switches over to Spanish, which is an additional blessing that we are bilingual. Everything was getting too much for me to handle, so two weeks ago I contracted a lady to come into our home to clean once every two weeks, which takes part of the load off of me. I still have my Sunday Bible Class and we attend the church service on Sunday mornings. Going out at night is too confusing, so we limit that to listening to a message on the computer on Sunday afternoon.

Next month I will begin a Monday-night class in our church, a curriculum on "Unlocking the Mysteries of Genesis", which is "Strong in science, and Strong in Faith." This course is developed by the *Institute for Creation Research*. (Dotty will have to sleep extra during day.) I am helping to prepare some of the members of our church to be better prepared to give a Biblical witness to an atheistic, godless lost world.

Another important **good news** flash is that 1,000 copies of the book, *Becoming a True Christian*, were printed in the English language for the people of India. Because of the humid climate the other 1,000 will be printed at a later date when needed. The missionary that has taken on the project of printing and the distribution of the book is Dr. Sam De, who has an outstanding ministry in India. He and his wife have served the Lord there for many years with Baptist World Mission. We truly thank the Lord for them! Pray that God will richly bless this evangelism ministry in India.

We thank God for you and we are grateful for your concern, love, continued prayers and financial support for us. You have a very important part in our lives. Thank you so very much! Thank you again for your faithfulness!

Sincerely in Christ,

Myron & Dotty

Pastor Myron and Dotty Philippi