

*Thank God for Christian Friends!
Have a Christ-centered Christmas
And Heart for Missions in 2020!*

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Dear Praying Friends,

On the afternoon of November 17th while I was relaxing in the front room Dotty took her nap in the bedroom. I looked up and saw her coming in carrying her lap blanket, just then she tripped on it falling about 3 feet from me. If she had fallen forward I could have caught her, but she fell backward, hurting her ribs on the right side. I called the paramedics for I cannot pick her up off the floor. They got her up and checked her out. The ambulance then took her to the hospital. After giving her a CT Scan they determined that there were no fractures nor further damage to the head. Evidently there were some torn ligaments which caused all the pain! . Just another one of those unwanted experiences!

The attendants told me that they would meet me at the door so I went to get my car from the parking lot. Because of her advanced dementia, she didn't do the best job of cooperating with the attendants as they were moving her from the hospital bed to the wheelchair. When I returned they were not at the door. I entered and found that she had just sat down in the wheelchair. The frustrated young man turned to me and said, "I hope you have several people to help you get her out of the car!" I told him that I did—"Me, Myself and I." They were wondering how I handled her. That takes a lot! I told them that God is my helper for my complete trust was in the Lord Jesus Christ to carry us through these difficult times!

I have Joy that is always here to lend a helping hand, Kindness does a great job and Grace is always needed and God keeps giving more and more; and there is nothing quite like Gentleness, then Goodness takes over, again we can't forget Patience, but when Patience is at its wits end and leaves, Love is always there to help to the end. For sure I can't do it alone! All of these are fantastic God-given workers. However, I count on your prayers for which I am indeed grateful. I am also thankful for the work that Yuliana is doing twice a week for 5 hours. Many have sent gifts to help us through this difficult time of emergency in our lives for which I am indeed grateful. I have one special request for me— My defenses have been compromised and I have been trying to recuperate from bronchitis for these past 3 weeks. Please pray that I will soon get well.

It is beyond my capabilities to express my heartfelt gratitude for all that you have done to help. Thank you so very much for your support and your faithfulness as you uphold us in your prayers.

*I Thank God for Christian friends
And for the special way you care,
For the time you lift our spirits,
For the faith you're glad to share...
For the help and hope you offer,
For the kindness you give -
For letting us see Jesus
In the loving lives you live.
Your friendship means so much!
God bless you at this Christmastime,
And always!*

Sincerely in Christ,

Myron & Dotty

Pastor Myron and Dotty Philippi