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Dear Friends,

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Thank you so much for your prayers. This month has been particularly challenging, humbling, and encouraging at the same time. I continue to take IV antibiotics every eight hours. I have two more weeks of them to go, and then I will take antibiotic pills for two months. The infection in my blood is much better and I **thank God** for that progress. My back is also improving but any kind of movement is still difficult for me- especially getting up and down. **I am very grateful to Big Sewell Baptist Church** for giving me a used lift recliner that stands me up without hurting my back further. I also sleep in it since I am not able to get in and out of my bed. After I stand up, I can do pretty well except on certain bad days when it is difficult to even walk. This is where the humbling part comes in. Normally, people take walking for granted. I always did- until now. When something happens to make it questionable whether you will be able to walk today, or not, you find yourself **thanking God on days that you can walk.** From there, it is easy for your mind to say, **“Thank you, Lord, that I can even stand up today.”** The very next thought becomes, **“Thank you, Lord, that I am alive today.”** All of this prompts you to pay more attention to how other people around you are suffering. **So, a very negative set of circumstances in your life can be turned into a time of emotional and spiritual growth if you want it to.** When my son, Joshua, was killed, my faith was all that kept me going. I came through it thinking that God used the situation to strengthen my faith so that he could use me to a greater extent. After that, the Covid hit, and Russia went to war with Ukraine. During those challenging times, we finished building the church in India, finished building the church and parsonage in Philippines, and collected more than \$300,000 in humanitarian aid for Ukraine. I have to ask myself, **“Why is God stretching my faith again?”** It would be easy to look at all my physical condition and come up with a bleak forecast about the future. My heart tells me, though, God is not done with me yet. In fact, the best may still be to come. **Please pray for me.** I also want to **thank God** for the folks at Little Wolf Creek Baptist Church who gave a love gift of \$1,500 to me personally so that I could pay for the labor of framing up the rest of my roof. **Hallelujah,** after three years we are ready for shingles. Other friends have mowed my yard and been extremely helpful during this time. **Thank you!**

My new friends- lift chair, leg massager, IV, heating pad, electric shock stimulator



Pastor Joseph meeting with local pastors that he mentors



A little sleepy, but she made it to USA



Thank you for praying for Pastor Aris Alfonso from Philippines. He has arrived safely in USA and will do deputation until December 9. His daughter, Annalois, has also arrived to attend Marietta Bible College. Both will be staying on the Marietta campus. **We are thankful** to Sewell Valley Baptist Church for funding another month of feeding stations for the children in Philippines (\$250). **Please pray** for Annalois as she studies, and for Brother Aris as he visits supporters and raises money for his project of buying a van for the youth ministry.

Thank you for praying for Pastor Joseph Nanneti and the ministry in India. We have sent the \$500 donated by Lansing Baptist Church to Brother Joseph. He will be using it to give food to needy children. **We thank God** for another month of supporting eight local pastors that Brother Joseph is mentoring.

Thank you for praying for Ukraine. They need it more than ever. **Thank God,** we were able to send \$3,382 in humanitarian aid to Ukraine again this month. **Please pray for our friends** in Kyiv, Poltava, and villages where we have done ministry. They are in real danger every day, and their world has been turned upside down.

In the name of Jesus, your grateful brother, Franklin Tuck

“Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee... who passing through the valley of Baca maketh it a well.” Psalm 84: 5-6

Projects	Needed	Each	Sponsor	Work
Grounds, office building, and garage				
1. Plant 10 willow trees along creek, erect 7 flag poles/flags of each country we work in, install dusk to dawn light at front of property, build wall around flag pole area for flower beds, fill flower bed with soil, install electrical supply to garage, paint outside of garage, replace garage doors, replace window in garage, replace roof on garage, update office computer, buy cordless telephone system, build new front porch on office building, paint outside of office building, build 2 bathrooms in office building, connect office building to sewer system, install drywall/electrical receptacle/shelving in office storeroom, install skirting around office building, buy new laptop for deputation, increase storage space in office, install laminate floor in office, buy new projector for deputation, buy refrigerator for office, buy microwave for office, install air conditioner/electric furnace/water heater in office, replace roof on office		Total cost= \$20,500	Yes	Done
2. Pour concrete sidewalk from driveway to front porch	2	\$300	Yes	
3. Replace windows in office	2	\$250	Yes	
4. Replace floor in office	1			
5. Change drywall in office	1	\$300	Yes	
6. Install vinyl siding on office	1			
7. Install floodlights for individual flags	7	\$50	Yes	
8. Install vinyl siding on garage	1	\$1160	Yes	Done
Chapel				
1. Finish electrical supply	1	\$300	Yes	Done
2. Finish vinyl siding	1	\$750	Yes	Done
3. Power wash siding outside and block walls inside after flood	1	1	Yes	Done
4. Install 2x4 studs to plumb upstairs walls	1	\$200	Yes	
5. Install wiring and receptacles	1	\$200	Yes	
6. Install insulation in upstairs walls	1	\$200	Yes	
7. Install light fixtures upstairs	2	\$25	Yes	
8. Install drywall on upstairs walls	1	\$350	Yes	
9. Paint upstairs walls	1	\$75	Yes	
10. Install insulation in roof	1	\$200	Yes	
11. Install ceiling tiles upstairs	1	\$300	Yes	
12. Install sub-floor upstairs	1	\$300	Yes	
13. Install flooring upstairs	1	\$400	Yes	
14. Install floor tiles upstairs	1	\$300	Yes	
15. Paint downstairs walls	1	\$75	Yes	
16. Install light fixtures downstairs	2	\$25	Yes	
17. Replace roof	1	\$7,000		
Joshua Tuck Memorial				
1. Plant "Joshua's Tree"	1	\$800	Yes	Done
2. Build stone wall	1	\$300	Yes	
3. Plant small flower garden	1	\$100	Yes	
4. Install memorial plaque	1	\$100	Yes	
5. Install bench	1	\$100	Yes	
Picnic & Entertainment Pavilion				
1. Bulldoze/Excavate area	1	\$1000	Yes	Done
2. Pour concrete in picnic & entertainment area (4 sections)	4	\$500	Yes	
3. Erect picnic shelter (3 sections)	3	\$750	Yes	
4. Build picnic tables	30	\$75	Yes	
5. Erect entertainment area	1	\$750	Yes	
Church construction- Andhra Pradesh, India				
1. Foundation and pillars, sub-floor, walls, beams & roof, electric system, plumbing & water system, windows, doors, sanctuary chairs, pulpit, sound system, bathroom tile and fixtures		\$17,625	Yes	Done
2. Road	1	\$200	Yes	
3. Labor & finishing touches	1	\$2400	Yes	Done
4. Church vehicle	1	?		
5. Install baptistry	1	\$750	Yes	Done
Church construction, Pangasinan, Philippines				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, electrical system, plumbing, water system, windows, doors, ceiling, floor tiles, soffit		Total = \$11,000	Yes	Done
2. Partition off 2 rooms (Zaldy & storage) in fellowship area	1	\$750	Yes	Done
3. Build fence both sides of property	1	\$1,500		
Parsonage construction, Pangasinan, Philippines				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, windows, doors, ceilings, paint, electrical system, plumbing, water pump, porch, garage, tiles		\$10,350	Yes	Done
2. Finish soffit	1	\$700		