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SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST

Dear Friends,

When it rains it pours. Frankly, I like rain. It makes things grow. I am growing. The current deluge of difficulties will surely make me stronger in the long run. As many of you know by now, I am scheduled for major open-heart surgery on September 16th. I am ready for the surgery. I would like to have morphine before the first needle, but I know I will have to endure some poking and picking before the operation begins. It is to take all day, whatever that means. The surgeon said that this would "be a challenge" since the veins in my legs have already been interrupted for the last surgery. They will have to take veins from my left arm to repair the work they did seven years ago and THEN replace my heart valve with one from a pig. I am satisfied that with your prayers and the skill of the surgeon all will come out to the glory of God. In preparation for this surgery, I have had to cancel several meetings. I am confident that the pastors will book me again once I am past this detour on my journey. However, we depend on our meetings for about half of our support. Needless to say our income will take a nose dive over the next three months while we deal with this unforeseen circumstance. Without our meetings we do not have "full support". We are praying that the Lord will make up the difference. In addition to the downturn in income because of cancelled meetings, our car requires immediate maintenance on the front end which will cost \$1650. Today my cell phone screen cracked. I have it insured, but it will cost me a \$90 replacement fee to get another one. I am not a "whino" and as you know I seldom mention special needs, but If these things keep piling up it will be impossible for us to recover financially. We are living the greatest chapter of our adventure and I believe that these things do happen to strengthen us. We need most of all for you to pray that the Lord will keep us close and enable us to finish our journey joyfully. The remaining time that we have is going to be spent helping preachers, missionaries and churches. That's what we do. . . . rain or shine.

With all best wishes,

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Robert Lewis, *Executive Assistant Director* Global Independent Baptist Missions Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all. **1Ch 29:11**