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Dear Brethren and Fellow Laborers,

This is Gloria again, giving you and update on Leon.

First of all Bronson, Jib, and I, as well as our other family members, are overwhelmed with the love you have shown by sending so many messages in numerous ways from all parts of the world. Your heartfelt prayers and touching thoughts of encouragement have so moved us. Thank you so very much and please keep on praying. Leon and I know that many of you are also suffering with trials—or as a dear friend called trials “adventures”. Know that we too continue to beseech God for you, our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Before I give you an update on Leon, I want to update you on NawPweSay in JawkTiang, Burma. She is MoPalel’s auntie. Seng Aung and MoPalel keep us informed. You can see pictures in our last Legacy Letter. She had a stroke about 8 years ago which left her right side paralyzed. She slowly recovered just to be able to walk and do a few things. This year right after the Feast of Tabernacles she suffered another stroke which has left her immobile and also is not able to talk or swallow. She knows those around her and can understand what they are saying, but she cannot respond. The hospital sent her home with a feeding tube. Her son quit school to help his mother. So please continue to beseech God for NawPweSay, and her husband SawNohNohPoh, and all their children.

Sunday 19th November: Leon still has fever and phlegm which needs to be suctioned out of his mouth. He slept much and talked in his sleep – some is dreaming and some is just confusing. When he knows I am there, he calls me very loudly—mostly when I am talking to the Dr. They are to take cultures of his blood, wound, and phlegm (a 3 day process). At this time I am there at the allowed hours: from about 9:30 am to 2: pm and back again from 6: to 8: pm. I do not want to miss the Dr.’s when they come.

Monday 20th: Today Leon still has fever, and there is still the phlegm which has lightened in color. He has not moved so much and does not always need to be tied down as much. The Dr. said that he wanted to start Physical Therapy—which did not start today. Leon really needs it. He desperately wants to get out of bed and get out of the hospital entirely. His mind is not clear and many words are unintelligible, though he can say some more words very clear. He can be very loud, and demanding. Please pray that God gives Leon peace, and peaceful thoughts, and that he can think and pray to God through this ordeal which at this time I don’t think he is comprehending.

Every employee came in tonight to see Leon. He recognized everyone. He was more than animated and even got angry because he wanted to tell them what to do after they updated him a bit. He did speak a bit of Thai with them and we could get the idea of what he was saying. When he saw AhJar, he said: “Hi AhJar” very clear! Then the repair for the computers (2) were discussed and he wanted it taken care of “right now”. But it was 7:pm...

Tuesday 21st: Leon was talking away when I arrived with closed eyes. “We have to go to the Embassy and... then go the country.” Those words were clear. But his head is so full of everything and goes from one thing to the other and it is inarticulate for me to understand.

When I tell him that he is in ICU with a stroke, I don’t think he really knows it for a long time. It doesn’t stick. I do remind him of the serious condition and that he is in ICU. He is clear about wanting to get up and out. He thinks he can walk.

The Head Cardiologist said he was encouraged that he is conscious and recognizes us and knows what we are saying. He said that it will take time.

I have not seen any physical therapy yet. His heart monitor does not stop beating. His blood pressure is high and very irregular.

I always say good-bye and tell him when I am coming back. He really lit up when I said that Bronson and maybe some of the kids will come. Leon said “OK then, 6pm”. I confirmed.

Wednesday 22nd: I Read some parts of your e-mails to Leon this evening... I could tell he was intently listening. He recognized all of your names and nodded affirmative and then nodded off to sleep. Bronson will copy me on your Facebook messages.

He is getting some form of physical therapy with one person. They also beat his chest to release more of the phlegm—which is quite a bit still.

Today he is saying more words clearly and is trying to give orders and becomes angry when we cannot comply, especially with leaving the bed, and desiring to drink cold water. Every time I return they have tied him up quite tightly because he has become quite strong with his legs and arms. He calls my name very loudly and shakes up the whole of the ICU. He is still confused and many words are still not clear to understand.

Thursday 23rd: Last night I waited for the Neurologist until midnight and she never came. The nurses tried many times to call her. But she did not answer. So went home and was told I could talk to her on the phone at 1pm. But she was still “too busy”. I think the staff felt quit badly and later that afternoon a Neuro surgeon came to see Leon. This was very encouraging to me. The Dr. asked Leon what his name was and he answered “Thurston Sexton”. Then asked him to lift his right arm, show 2 fingers, and squeeze his hand. Leon did all! The Dr. said that it was good. He also said that it was better Leon was talking and moving and getting loud, because the results are better than just lying in bed and doing nothing... The cultures came back with nothing to show.

Tonight he was just totally exhausted and tired. His heart is working hard and performs at 40 percent. They plan to move him out of ICU in the next couple days.

We know God has and is hearing your prayers for Leon, me, and Bronson's family. I can feel them and see it in Leon's progress over this week. God has opened a parking spot every day twice this last week! And please remember NawPweSay and her family as they also wait for a miracle—as does Herb Vierra and his wife Ann. He is still bedridden and can't walk—though he can talk. We pray for all of you our dear brothers and sisters.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Day! We have so much to be thankful for! Our Father and His Son Jesus the Christ will never leave or forsake us as we take the road less travelled.

In Christian love,
Gloria