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Dear Brethren and Fellow Laborers,

This is Gloria with another update on Leon. Thank you for your prayers. We can feel and see the answers. We are inundated with the most encouraging, outpouring of loving kindnesses, and powerful e-mails, and just can't respond to each one of you individually. THANK YOU!!!!

First, I do want to tell you that yesterday morning I received a Viber message from MoPalel that his Auntie PweSay died. We are very sad, yet we know we will see her again. The trial is over for PweSay and in a way for their family. They must go on without her and this has its emotional difficulties. Please pray for the whole family so that God will give to them at this time the comfort and His perfect love for them as He knows best for each member of their family.

I was just writing to PweSay a few days ago. I told her that she, her husband, and kids must be so very strong because God says he won't give us more than we can bear—and like so many others, they have had a burden so very long. God said that He would never leave or forsake us—but God did forsake His son on the cross with all of our sins. Jesus even wanted, if it were possible, for the cup to be taken away. I can't even bear thinking of Our Father and Jesus creating us and knowing the Father would allow His son to become human and die for us—and then to watch it like in a preview—when Abraham almost sacrificed Isaac. But our Father and His Son, our elder brother, really went through with it.

We all go through it together, because if one member suffers the whole body of Christ---His saints suffer too.

24th Friday November – 3rd Sunday December

Friday afternoon Leon left ICU and has been in a private room. Someone has to be here around the clock. This is Thailand. It's the same if he is in a room with 6 others. The nurses check blood sugar, pressure, temp, and give shots. When convenient assistants will do any cleaning or turning of the body to prevent bed sores. The Dr.'s come once a day.

One absolutely wonderful thing is that as of yesterday, I can dilute into water, vitamins (BioMultiPlus), homeopathic (1-12), magnesium, grape seed extract, vitamin C, and pre/pro biotics.

I told the Dr. that Leon needed magnesium, because he needed that after a stroke with-in 2 hours because the brain becomes depleted --- ya, ya, ya... but he wanted to see my paper (given to me by a friend via e-mail). Sunday, 10 days later he did a blood test and yes, he was so low on Magnesium. Now they will administer and check his blood again. THANKS BE TO GOD. Maybe

this will help other patients since he is the Neuro Surgeon. Now where did that come from? Thank you Father of Love and Jesus our Lord and King.

Pray that the nurses can find Leon's veins for drawing blood and for inserting IV's. It has always been so difficult in Leon's life.

We keep praying for a perfect healing and KNOW FOR SURE beyond a shadow of a doubt that He CAN do it. Just say the word—like the Centurion.

Leon has <u>not</u> lost ALL his strength. It is amazing how strong physically he still is. He is a fighter with a strong will. And Bronson and I do push him a bit as we exercise his muscles....

As we complete this update, there has been improvement. His feeding tube was removed—and after 7 attempts to put it back in—and the nurses tried to see if he could swallow. Thanks be to God he can swallow and use those muscles more and more. He can drink and eat carefully when sitting up so as not to choke. He does not need to be on oxygen any longer. He no longer requires any IV's, and does not need to be tied up any more. There is no more infection. His blood pressure (140's/100's) and blood sugar (120's to 170's) are much more under control.

He has a Physical Therapist (two or three of them) come once daily. He is able to sit up by himself and able to stand up with a walker. He has walked slowly around the bottom of his bed—rested—and walked back to the other side. This was after multiple exercises that he must do himself with guidance. Each day he is able to walk with more strength and stability. The doctors say if it continues he will be able to return home soon. His left side is still weak and not fully able to control. He will continue to need therapy after returning home. He now has an air mattress that will prevent further redness and some pain in the lower back. He has been sleeping more peacefully. There is talk about a speech therapist... yet the clarity of his speech has increased on its own. Many words are more understandable and he is speaking some full sentences. Please pray that God continues to help Leon with his speech and memory.

God is hearing all of your/our heartfelt prayers. The grandkids can see the improvements better than me who is with him 24/7—it has been truly incredible!

So many of God's people are suffering and they truly are so strong. All our troubles will be over one day and we shall be ECSTATICALLY overwhelmed in the perfection of God's Kingdom—without Satan. We try to imagine—God servants can only taste a tiny bit through keeping His Holy Days—His plan for all mankind.

Please keep praying for us as we have to keep managing Legacy here as well and oversee our employees who help out so much. Pay day is coming (also for God's laborers in Burma). Without Leon to give sermons our small group gets together to read the Bible and discuss topics.

Thank you all again and we too remember all of you. May God continue to bless you.

With much love as we hold fast together, Gloria