



Good to be home!

## About the Father's Business...

### ...Recovering

### Praises, Prayers, Plans



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"...so that with one heart and one mind you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ..." *Romans 15:5-7*

#### "Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me" by City Alight

To this [we] hold, [our] hope is only Jesus,  
For [our] life is wholly bound to His.  
Oh, how strange and divine, [we] can sing: 'All is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me'.

The night is dark but [we are] not forsaken,  
For by [our] side, the Savior He will stay.  
[We] labor on in weakness and rejoicing,  
For in [our] need, His power is displayed.

To this [we] hold, [our] Shepherd will defend [us],  
Through the deepest valley, He will lead.  
Oh, the night has been won, and [we] shall overcome,  
'Yet not I, but through Christ in me'.



Determined & handsome!

On August 23 Ash got confused and was unable to speak clearly. Symptoms abated with-

in 1/2 day, but 2 days in-hospital with a battery of tests (all negative for stroke, PTL!) left him weak. More 'senior' than me and with waning stamina for navigating international airports and the rigors of long clinic-days, Ash hadn't been traveling with me for awhile. It's surely not because

he doesn't want to, and he is still my best missions-partner!

I'm holding loosely in my hands (frankly, I don't want to let go) my next 3 assigned medical-evangelism teams, frequently praying or scribing to teammates and closest prayer-partners, "Lord willing!" Would you join us in seeking wisdom and my learning more trust, even surrender?

L deltoid discomfort since spring led me in June to consult my Orthopedist. MRI revealed a partial-tear in my shoulder's rotator cuff. I'm so grateful that good PT is helping me avoid even arthroscopic surgery.

As you read our Upcoming Schedule below, you may wonder, "Why area retreats"? MTW's 4 global areas each plan one every 4 years, with Covid recently playing scheduling-havoc. The overriding purpose of an Area Retreat is to provide an atmosphere for spiritual refreshment through...

- \* Excellent Biblical preaching, teaching & worship;
- \* Rest, relaxation, retreat from the stresses of cross-cultural ministry for physical & emotional recovery, too;
- \* Fellowship for fun, mutual encouragement & support;
- \* Activities to build unity in our MTW family;
- \* Seminars on personal, family & ministry-life issues;
- \* Enjoying the beauty & diversity of God's creation.

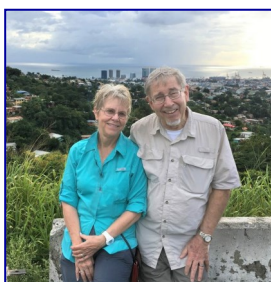
Ash had already decided that this travel and its activities would be too much, yet he still wants me to go. He is priority, and I'd want some loving, in-home supervisory care for him.

Recruitment is done, meds are here for November's Mexico mission. We covet prayers for 14 teammates; 3 local pastors who invited us to assist them in reaching their communities; 2 excited congregations; for hearts of patients whom Holy Spirit will send us to be open to the Gospel; and, for all believers to be greatly encouraged, not just by our helping with their medical needs, but also by our compassion and kindness.

Praise God for... His mercy & kindness as expressed in your prayers, notes, financial partnerships & recent, delicious meals! ...only a TIA for Ash & his progress resuming strength ...PT serving to heal my partially-torn L rotator cuff.

Please pray for... Ash's single-vision to stabilize ...his strength & balance to increase ...team unity in our final Mexico preparations ...our patients to know Jesus through our care ...fruitful recruitment for Trinidad Jan. 27-Feb 4 & the DR April 27-May 4.

Upcoming Schedule ...many post-TIA MD app'ts for Ash ...?? MTW Latin America Missionaries Retreat October 3-9 for Betsy?? ...November 4-11 Saltillo, Mexico medical mission.



Bless you for partnering in God's work of medical evangelism!

Until He returns or calls,

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