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Dear Friends and Loved Ones,

I recently re-read the book of Daniel, and my attention was called to a verse I learned as a teenager..."And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." Chapter 12: 3. And yes, my beloved wanted me to write again this time, (since I can do it faster J) so here I am.

One of my ardent desires since I was saved, has been to "turn many to righteousness" and the LORD has given us some unique opportunities recently. About 3 weeks ago, Eldwyn had an appointment with a dermatologist at the VA for an allergic rash which has bothered him. He had been seeing another doctor there, but that time it was a sweet young lady, possibly in her early 30's. After making friendly conversation, the subject turned to spiritual things, and she told us she was Jewish! What a wonderful opportunity. She listened very attentively, and we have been praying earnestly for Dr. Lindsay Ackerman. Would you please pray for her with us?

Last week Eldwyn saw a retina specialist for the first time. Other doctors over the years have been afraid to do surgery on his eyes because of a membrane on one eye, and a "pseudo-hole" on the other, so the VA sent us to this specialist. After the most thorough examination Eldwyn has ever had, the doctor said that if Eldwyn's cataracts on both eyes were removed, the other problems might not bother him. He said, "And you could do that with my blessing." At that, I took the hand of that handsome young man, and said, "Since you said that, I'd also like to leave you with a blessing." As I continued holding his hand, I began to pray that as he helps people see physically, the LORD would open his spiritual eyes if he did not know Him, so that he might see, also. When I finished, he asked very seriously if we would pray that he and his wife could have a child. He said it would be a miracle if they could. I asked him if he attended church anywhere, and he said...(Have you guessed?) "I am Jewish." What a marvelous opportunity again. (I told Eldwyn it looks as if the LORD would have us be missionaries to the medical profession in our old age, as that is how we spend our *leisure* time J.)

Since writing last, we were blest to have visits from our friends of long standing, Carlton and Emma Smith. Emma's father was our Greek teacher in Bible school over 60 years ago, and he would bring her as a toddler to class. Then Michael & Debbie were a blessing as they were here nearly a week in March, during which time Bonise, Graham and Lauryn, as well as Jessica and children, Peter and Holly and Sharon, Robert and girls all got in on their visit.

On February 28, Eldwyn and I passed our 60th wedding anniversary. We did not have a special celebration, since our children could not all be here, but we did get to talk to all of them, and they sent flowers and nice gifts. Two weeks after our anniversary, Eldwyn passed another milestone, also, on March 14, when he turned 83. As we look backward, we can also say with Job that our days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle (chapter 7: 6) Job added that they are spent without hope. Since our hope, however, is not in this life only, we are grateful to have a hope that is eternal in the heavens.

Please pray with us for the two doctors mentioned above as well as the possibility that cataract surgery could help Eldwyn's sight. We are to see this doctor again on May 8 for more tests. Thank you for your love, prayers and every remembrance of us! May the LORD bless you!

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