



July – August 2019

Dear Friends,

Since our last letter I have had the physical symptoms of increased weakness, lightheaded and a very irregular heartbeat. I was diagnosed with Atrial Fibrillation (AFib), and excessive Premature Ventricular Contractions (PVC). I have had the PVC's for many years but not to the degree as now. Normally, PVC is not something to be overly concerned about, but two Cardologist exclaimed that I have a LOT of them. They are concerned and believe that both issues need to be dealt with. I was admitted to the hospital to attempt to shock my heart back into rhythm. After three attempts the shocks did not work. I have read about and been told by many about a procedure known as Ablation. Cardiac Ablation is a procedure to scar or destroy tissue in the heart that allows incorrect electric signals to cause abnormal heart rhythm. It is a low risk procedure and I personally know some who have had the procedure. I recently talked with a Cardiologist who is a highly regarded specialist in the procedure at the Wake Hospital in Raleigh. After carefully discussing my two issues he simply said, "we will fix both of them!" I replied, "Will this afternoon work for you?" He replied, "No, but soon. I'm scheduled for September 18. Please pray for me. My symptoms are very limiting to me. I'm confident the Lord will give a good outcome.

I pray the Lords blessings on the people and ministries of the Church,

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