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*“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.”*  
Psalm 26:1

Well, it seems that the month of June has been a “month of happenings.” It all started out with a routine doctor’s visit for Duane to a kidney specialist. Upon taking the normal ‘stats’ before seeing the doctor, it was noted that Duane had a very fast heart rate and irregular heartbeats. So, the kidney doctor sent him immediately to his regular doctor for an EKG who then sent him to the hospital so he could get an IV to take down his heartrate. It was discovered that Duane has what is called A-Fib (irregular heartbeats). They did use the paddles to shock his heart back in sync and checked for blood clots in his heart. He was released a couple days later with prescriptions to help keep the heart in sync and a blood thinner so blood clots cannot form. Please **pray**, as even though he does feel better, he is still experiencing quite a bit of weakness.

The second happening came in the form of a tropical storm that hit the lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas. We have had about 11.5 inches at our house of which five inches came in a few hours on Wednesday night and early Thursday morning. Later Thursday morning when we checked the rainguage again we had another two and a half inches. As we looked out our front door, we realized rain was already approached to the threshold of our front door. The Lord was merciful as there was a lull in the storm and water receded a little before the hard rains continued. As we checked out things around our



house, Duane discovered that the 5 gallon bucket he had put out to catch rain water was already overflowing. To help protect our house, Duane got out the small pump and has been able to pump water away from the house. Thank the Lord for small blessings! In spite of it all, we are very thankful for the rain the Lord has sent to this parched area of Texas..**Pray** for those that have been affected by these heavy rain—not only here in Texas but also across the border in Mexico. Pastor José de la Luz from Reynosa called to say that they have approximately 19 inches of water in their church. Many families had to leave the colonia. Leonor Molina had water in her house also. Many people have lost everything. Some areas of the Valley had water over their vehicles. Many roads and streets have been closed. It was also reported that there were sinkholes in McAllen and Weslaco. Rescue teams from San Antonio and Austen tell of rescuing families from their homes via helicopters.

The Lord gave us a good time of ministry at the Federal Detention Center this month. There were seventy-three men that attended the chapel service and they were from several countries in Central and South America. Please **pray** for them as they study God’s Word that we left with them.

We are thankful for the safe trip our son, AJ, and family have had as they visited family, friends, and churches. It will be fun having them with us again for a few days. With the kids growing so quickly, we want to be able to take advantage of each day we have with them. **Pray** for the remainder of their trip and the opportunities the Lord is giving them to share the ministry to which He has called them in Oaxaca, Mexico.

July 6-7 we will be involved in a family conference. We are expecting around eighteen families to be attending this conference. Please **pray** for safety for those traveling a distance to attend and also for the Holy Spirit to use His Word to encourage and challenge each pastor and his family.

Thank you so very much for your faithfulness in praying and supporting this ministry. We count each one of you as co-laborers in what God has called us to do. May God continue to bless and use each of you for His glory in 2018.

Serving together with you for His grace and glory,

Duane and Marilyn

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“For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry...” (Ephesians 4:11)