

FRANKS PRAYER LETTER

(NOVEMBER – DECEMBER 2010)

“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulders; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father the Prince of Peace.” Isaiah 9:6

Dear Pastors & fellow laborers in Christ,

Loving greetings to all of you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Time is come for us to remember and enjoy the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ, who became a man, to bring us to God.

We are now back in India our “Field of Boaz.” We reached here on 3rd November 2010. I am sure that many of you prayed for our safe arrival and are very thankful to you. With my Parkinson’s disease and my wife Molly’s injured middle finger we might have looked a sorry sight on our arrival; but arrived safe and sound and are back to work as usual. The Lord is slowly restoring me back to health. Thanks to Him. I am now with our staff and students teaching in the Bible College and visiting churches. Thank you for your help and assistance while we were in the U.S. We appreciate the loving way you treated us when we were with you all. Your love and care for us far exceeded our expectations.

In our absence the work here was very well taken care of by our sons-in-law and those that God has given to work with. They are able-ministers of the Word of God and faithful in their motives and desires. We also thank God for our children and their families. Please pray for a spiritual revival in our midst even an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This semester I plan to teach 20 hours a week in the Bible College as well as visit churches. Please also pray that I finish my subjects by the end of the semester i.e., April 2011.

The week we arrived, we went for our medical check-up and discovered that I had two blocked coronary arteries and thickening of blood vessels this increasing my blood pressure. The situation was very serious to the point that even walking normally was causing severe shortness of breath. The doctor advised that I undergo “chelation therapy” a form of intravenous therapy that has helped me in the past to clean vascular system. Twenty vials (bottles of EDTA) were recommended for me and I started the treatment immediately. For further information regarding chelation treatment see <http://www.americanheart.org/presenter.jhtml?identifier=3000843>. The recommendation was that I start on two vials per week and I have to date taken 8 vials that has significantly helped to reduce my blood pressure and to work more efficiently. While in US my wife had trouble with her eye-sight and upon our return to India we have found that she needs both her eyes operated on as soon as possible due to cataract build up. With no medical insurance it is an expensive matter, but we are sure the Lord is able to provide sufficient funds for our medical bills.

We specially thank our son Stephen and his wife Geena for giving us a place to stay in their home and for taking care of us. I was unable to drive and Steve was the one who took us to several churches in spite of his busy schedule. We shy away from mentioning individual names. All of you are indeed very special to us.

To facilitate our current medical needs we would require about \$3,500.00 of which we have been promised \$1,750.00 from a church for which are very thankful. We pray that the Lord will provide the remaining. We thank the Lord for the churches and pastors that are helping us in our time of need. As you might be aware we are still at a support level of 48.4% which makes it very difficult to function, but we will continue to work and move forward. We are also aware of your financial crisis in US, but have experienced your liberality in giving to the Lord’s work and ministries even in your hard times. We would love to be a part of your mission’s program. Some of you have already taken us on for support, and we thank you so much.

In our financial difficulties, our Mission Board was very helpful and understanding in many ways, especially in advancing us money when needed. We love and appreciate the office staff and directors of the Board. Some of them took personal interest in visiting with us in Greenville SC. We are deeply touched with their love for us.

If you need to know more about us or our financial position, you may contact my son Stephen Franks in Greenville SC. Stephen's home # 864-233-8574; Cell # 864-567-1555 & e-mail: stevenfranks26@hotmail.com. You can also contact us by phone in India at 011-91-4179-222988 or e-mail: drericf@lycos.com. We work with World Wide New Testament Baptist Mission (WWNTBM) and they can be contacted at 704-730-1440.

Thank you all again and wish you a blessed Christmas and a glorious New Year.

(Rev. Dr. Eric W. Franks)

Prayer Requests:

1. Spiritual revival
2. Medical needs.
3. Increase in our support level
4. Funds for Kuramberi church building.