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Dear Friends,

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

Our prayer for each of you is that you will have a season filled with spiritual blessings. Please pray for our listeners on Pohnpei as they listen to the Christmas message and music.

After three weeks in Reno, I completed that section of the cancer treatment. During those three weeks, I was hospitalized two times due to being anemic and needing blood. My immunity was also so low that I had to cut my treatment two days short. I then went to South Carolina where my daughter lives and am continuing my treatment at a cancer center in Atlanta. Ruth Ann arrived back in the States on October 31, and my sister Mary and I met her here in Atlanta. This treatment in Atlanta is six weeks, a six weeks break for rest, and then a checkup.

Mary, who accompanied me to the Reno clinic, organized moving into our house in Greenville, SC. People from our church, Bethel Calvary Baptist Church, came and put the furniture and necessary things that had been in storage into the house.

I am now seeing improvement. I feel stronger and have started gaining weight. I had lost about 30 pounds in the past few months and was continuing to lose until the second week of treatments in Atlanta. We are optimistic that this treatment will put me back into remission within the next few months, then we can get started with our meetings in churches.

I have seen four eye doctors since returning to the States, and they all say I have cornea problems, but only one says that I may be able to regain my sight. Please pray I will get my vision back in my left eye.

The Peelers, our furlough replacement missionaries on Pohnpei, are handling things well. Ruth Ann was able to spend four weeks training them, and they are fitting in well.

We appreciate and thank you for praying for us during these difficult times, and the Lord has answered. I feel better than I have in several months, and we look forward to getting back to Pohnpei to continue our ministry. We realize there are thousands of people praying for me, and we are very humbled and appreciative of this.

In His Service,

Dave & Ruth Ann Arthurs

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