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Greg's Health



Greg had his first post-chemo scan and his body is cancer free! Praise the Lord! We're 6 weeks out from his last chemo treatment. Recovery is slow - it's two steps forward and one step back. His heart rate is going back down to normal. His red blood cells are increasing, and his strength is slowly returning. He has really awesome days and also really hard days where bedtime is 6pm and/or his leg with the blood clot swells. He seems to have hit a bit of a "recovery wall" recently so that's been discouraging, but we know it's a wall he'll eventually make it over. We're thankful he's done with the "death phase" of killing cancer cells and into the "life phase" of recovery. Thank you for partnering with us in prayer throughout this battle!

"By my God I can leap over a wall. This God - His way is perfect; the word of the Lord proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him." Psalm 18:29-30

Old Testament PhD Studies

Last semester Greg got behind on his PhD due to his cancer diagnosis and chemo treatments. Thankfully the seminary was very understanding, but this semester ABTS has given him the semester off from teaching so he can catch up. This month Greg's been doing a lot of research and reading, and in the coming months he'll be doing a lot of writing. The goal remains for him to graduate in the spring of 2023. Please pray for Greg to remain strong enough to catch up on his PhD work and for him to know when it's time to call it quits for the day and rest his body.



Isaac & Teen Baptism



This month Isaac was baptized! He asked for Greg to baptize him, so that was extra special. What a joy to see Isaac symbolically "die" to sin by going under the water and rise to "life" when he came up from the water!

Three of our youth group teens also got baptized that same day! It's such a joy to see our youth group teens making their parents' faith their own!



Youth Ministry



This month we began meeting as a full youth group (6th-12th grade students) again! Since April 2021 we've been having separate middle school and high school youth group nights at our home due to Covid regulations, but this month our church received permission to begin meeting in-person again so youth group resumed as normal! It was such a joy to have all 40 of our teens together again for games, worship, and studying God's Word! We also were able to take our teens to a trampoline park this month and it was so much fun to hang out together (pictured left)!

Also, this month our youth group teens were able to participate in a special 3-night worship gathering for teens all over the city of Chiang Mai. Some of our teens played in the worship band and others helped put together the promotional materials. Over 200 teens attended this wonderful 3-night worship event filled with praise, messages, and prayer. Abbie shared a special testimony of how God had been working in her life amidst Greg's cancer diagnosis. We're so thankful for being able to meet in large groups with our teens again!



Homeschool Co-Op Ministry



We're also so thankful that the kids homeschool co-op was able to resume this month (for the first time since last spring)! It's been such a joy to weekly connect with a large group of homeschool families. Rachel is teaching a fun "You're the Detective!" class to the 12+ age group, and they're having a great time using their skills of observation and logic to solve mysteries and learn teammate skills. Rachel's also planning lots of fun activities for the co-op from a valentine exchange to board game afternoons. Please pray that even as the Omicron variant spreads that our co-op will be able to continue meeting.

Praises and Prayer Requests

Thank you so much for praising God with us and praying for our needs. Please email us with any prayer requests you have so that we can be praying for you as well!

- 1) Praise the Lord Greg had his first post-chemo scan and his body is cancer free! Please pray for the cancer to not return, for Greg's body to get back to full strength again, and for the blood clot in his leg to safely dissolve fully over the next few months.
- 2) Praise the Lord Greg has been given this semester to catch up on his PhD work! Please pray for Greg to remain strong enough to catch up on his PhD work and for him to know when it's time to call it quits for the day and rest his body.
- 3) Praise the Lord that Isaac and 3 teens in our youth group chose to get baptized this month!
- 4) Praise the Lord our youth group and home school co-op have been granted permission to meet again! Please pray that no further restrictions will be put in place, and that we'll be able to pour into the teens in our youth group and in Rachel's teen co-op class over this semester.