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The Latest on Health and Ministry:

Steve's Health Update: It's been a year since we began seeking medical attention for an enlarged lymph node on the side of my neck. After months of medical appointments, scans, and biopsies, I was diagnosed with Stage 2 Head/neck cancer. I was immediately scheduled for radiation therapy and chemo therapy (thirty-three of radiation each day, Monday—Friday, and seven weekly chemo during the thirty-three days.) I completed the cancer treatments at the end of August; it was very tough since the chemo and radiation were during the same period of time, and I lost over sixty pounds.

A few weeks following my completion of the treatments I was experiencing a lot of pain, so I had appointments with my radiation oncologist and with my ENT doctor. The scope didn't reveal what he thought was the problem so he ordered another laryngoscopy and biopsy. The biopsy of the area came back negative, thank God, however it was determined what the doctor thought—that I had a radiation-induced ulcer in my throat. I was told that it could take months to heal.

This has certainly altered my sleeping habits, such as waking up around 3:00 a.m. or 4:00 a.m. to attend to the pain since nothing I take lasts long enough for me to sleep a full night, and I find myself needing to sleep a lot throughout the day, which was predicted. Eating habits and taking of medicine has also been a challenge. I take pain meds 24/7 and we are managing the pain fairly well, but there are times that it is quite intense.

The Dec. 17th PET Scan will determine the results of the radiation and chemo treatments. We are praying for and expecting, if the Lord so wills, a "cancer-free" declaration from the doctors. No matter what, God has helped us and He is good.

As 2023 comes, so does our new health insurance deductible and out-of-pocket expenses. We have also had to pay for some of the pain meds. We are praying for God's provision.

Church Ministry Update: Steve received an invitation from New Walk Bible Church in Powhatan, Virginia to be their pastor. After much prayer, and conversations with our Grace Baptist friends, I accepted. I began (part-time at this point) as pastor of NWBC in November. If you live in or near Powhatan and need a church home, then please give us a visit. I'm very encouraged to be there and look forward to the fellowship and ministry!

I am highly recommending that our Grace folk and any people in the South Hill, Virginia area needing a church should visit Trinity Church Southside (trinitychurchsouthside.com).

Broadcasting Ministry Update: We now have a radio app! Download it from your Apple Store or Google Play Store - search for WJYK Radio.

This month we are playing, 24/7, Praise & Worship music, Christian music classics, Contemporary Christian Music (CCM), Scripture readings, and Christmas music from Christian artists. Let us know what you think. What songs should be cut and what songs, especially new songs, should be added? Remember that lyrics are very important to us. WJYK stands for Worship Jesus Your King. Thanks!

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Prayer Requests for:

- New Walk Bible Church of Powhatan, Virginia and Steve's pastorate.
- WJYK Radio, that the Lord would raise up ministry sponsors and business partners.
- Financial needs from Steve's cancer health situation as in 2023 his health insurance deductible and out-of-pocket begins anew.



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The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him. (Nahum 1:7 ESV)

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I plan on continuing to teach and preach weekly, as I am able, and oversee the broadcasting ministry. We are so thankful for those who have eased our burden by helping us in various ways, including giving. All of this is so encouraging to us! Thank you for your prayer and care!

Since my pastorate is part-time at this time, we are seeking the Lord to raise up brothers and sisters who will continue to help us with our medical expenses since we are soon going to be required to pay our deductible and out-of-pocket costs. When we purchased health insurance many years ago we had to go with the highest deductible in order to be able to afford it.

Plus, if I continue to struggle with the ulcer I may be sent to a facility in North Carolina for hyperbaric oxygen therapy on a daily basis for 8 weeks.

We are also seeking to sustain our *Battaglia Communications, LLC* ministry. We are asking for WJYK Radio Sponsors and WJYK Radio Business Partners. Please contact us if you are interested in helping us in this way.

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