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2017—May to July Update

*“Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.” — 1 Peter 5:7*

Dear Fellowhelpers to the Truth:

Sherri and I pray this letter finds you having a blessed summer in the region in which you minister.

At the beginning of May I started to experience chest pains. By the 4th I suffered an “Acute Myocardial Infarction”. I ended up transported from Espanola to the Sudbury cardiac floor and within a couple days had an angioplasty procedure which revealed a 99% blocked artery to which a stent was inserted. There is also a 40% blockage being dealt with by prescription drugs. I missed 6 weeks of my regular shifts, praising the Lord for your support and medical Employment Insurance (just enough to keep the lights on). Only one Sunday service missed! Now, more than 10 weeks later, I’m back at work. Can I complain for a second though? All the meds have their own problems! Tiredness, muscle and joint soreness, memory loss! If you know me—you know I’m constantly going and doing and these meds are interfering! :) I have another doctor appointment on August 23—please pray there will be other meds that can be used. (Sherri is protesting my shoddy memory at the moment!) You know, the irony here is that I exercise, eat right and have recently attained my ideal weight!



In June, I accepted additional Chapel services for the nursing home which were left vacant by the unexpected departure of the convention Baptist minister. In my 9 years in Espanola, we’ve seen 3 Catholic, 3 Pentecostal and 2 Baptist ministers come and go. And that is just the ones I know about! A praise report now! My friend who owns the sign company, asked me to come talk to his employee who was having a tough time. I was able to share the Gospel truth with him, and he prayed to receive Christ as his Saviour! Praise the Lord!



We hope you had a blessed Independence Day. Up here, the 1st of July is Canada Day and we set up a game booth at the celebration to promote the Generation Next (GeNeXt) youth ministry. Rachel and I rode bikes in the Webbwood parade as well!

We travelled to North Bay to Near North Baptist Church to attend the annual Baptist Friends Ontario meeting on July 15. We had a great time of fellowship and were encouraged once again to keep on keepin’



on! We’re thankful for what the Lord is doing through Brother Wadley.

Bonus August note: Nursing home memorial for 5 residents was attended by their young caregivers. It’s so good to see them listening to the message and singing the hymns! I’m happy that I can serve and be well received there! I continue by God’s grace alone to have the compassion to make a difference. Espanolians need Jesus Christ in their lives, the same as in your town!

Thank you for your prayers and support. We pray for you daily and salute you wherever you are,

*Bro. Chris*

Prayer requests: new meds, continued recovery, strength, wisdom, help here

*“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:”*

1 Peter 5:8

