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Dear Faithful Friends and Prayer Partners:

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Please remember to pray extra for us this month as we will be facing a very challenging trip in India. There are so many pressing and critical issues in need of prayer around the world and in this nation. In these trying times all your missionaries need extra prayer, and certainly that includes us. All we are able to do is a result of faithful prayer and our Lord's gracious response to it.

This India trip has been in planning for many months, but God has added another avenue of service. Last month's typhoons have caused major flooding in the area where we expect to work. Our efforts will now be along disaster relief lines as well as our usual clinical outreach. ORH has already distributed buckets, blankets, food, and other needed items in the area which will only serve to open hearts even more for the Gospel when we arrive. Although we will have a big team, there will almost certainly be more patients than we can treat, but each who comes will hear the Gospel. We pray that by God's grace many will trust the Lord each clinic day. Please join us in praying to this end.

Because we expect to be over run with patients, we will once again distribute what we call "wellness packs." These are ziplock bags with Tylenol, Advil, vitamins, and worm tablets (all frequently needed things). We will try to see those with the most critical needs, but often vitamins, wormer, and pain pills are what people really want. I have written a format for cards to be placed in each bag with instructions for the medicines on the front and a salvation message on the back. These cards are being printed now in India. Although we hope each person gets to hear the Gospel, any we miss will have it in printed form.

It was a joy for us to have one of our supporting pastors and his wife accompany us to El Salvador this summer. Since their return that church has really gotten on fire and excited for missions. Knowing about the "wellness packs" which we used for the first time in El Salvador, they purchased bottles and bottles of vitamins, Tylenol, and Advil. They then invited us to a midweek service and a grand pill counting event. Over 30 people showed up to count out, bag, and label thousands of pills for India. This was a great help as we usually try to do this on site with the team (we will have plenty of that to do as it is, without the wellness packs to do also). We were all amazed at how quickly it was completed. Many hands do indeed make light the work! In addition to all the pills they also bought 6 new suitcases to put it in. ORH had a good set of big suitcases but the pastor no doubt noticed how some of them were becoming a shapeless mass with broken handles and missing parts. Several trips around the world each year stuffed to capacity with medicine and equipment are a bit hard on luggage to say the least. The suitcases and medicine were presented to Bro. Milton the following Sunday. As an added blessing 14 people from that church want to travel with us next summer! Please pray that more churches might get this sort of vision (perhaps your church...)

Please pray also about our worm medicine for India. We have already purchased the meds for the trip in India (much cheaper there) but could not find one of the medicines we needed. "No problem," I said, "We can order that from MAP International." To my surprise a change in law no longer allows generic worm medicine to be shipped to the US, even for overseas use. U.S. pharmaceutical companies would, of course, sell us the brand name drug (\$15,000 for \$250 worth of medicine) or we can have it shipped; risking loss or unreasonable duty. We are checking now on our options. Pray that we will find a cost effective way to deal with this.

Please continue to keep us in your prayers, for we greatly appreciate each prayer!

In Christ,
The Wallers
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