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The Lord continues to teach us to
lean into him through the unknowns.



Home but Waiting

Some thoughts while I wait and motives for prayer.

When You Are Waiting on God

“Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.” — Ephesians 3:20

As We walk this uncertain journey of Central Nervous System B Cell Lymphoma, Waiting is one of the hardest expressions of faith.

There are times when we pray, trust, and do everything within our power—and still, we

must wait.

That is where I find myself today.

I am waiting for medical approval for a specific treatment. The request for payment has been denied, and another approval is needed for immunotherapy. The outcome matters deeply to me. If I receive this treatment, there may be another opportunity—perhaps even five more years of life.

And I want to live.

Life is precious. The people we love are precious. The opportunities God gives us to serve Him, encourage others, love our families, and make a difference are precious.

So I pray for the treatment. I pray for the approval. I pray for more time.

But Ephesians 3:20 reminds me that my hope is not ultimately in an insurance company, a medical decision, a treatment, or even a particular outcome. My hope is in the God who is able.

Paul does not say that God will always give us exactly what we ask for. He says that God is able to do “immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.”

That means God's ability is never limited by my circumstances.

When the answer is delayed, God is still able.

When the door seems closed, God is still able.

When I cannot see what tomorrow holds, God is still able.

And notice where Paul says God's power is at work: “within us.”

Perhaps sometimes the miracle we are waiting for is not only what God may do around us, but what He is doing within us while we wait.

He can give courage when we are afraid.

Peace when circumstances are uncertain.

Strength when we feel weak.

Faith when we cannot see the road ahead.

Hope when the future seems fragile.

Many of you reading this Prayer News Update are waiting, too.

You may be waiting for a medical report, a treatment, a financial breakthrough, a prodigal child to come home, a relationship to be restored, a job opportunity, an answer to prayer, or simply some indication of what comes next.

Waiting does not mean God is absent.

Sometimes faith is not knowing what God will do. Faith is knowing who God is while we wait to see what He will do.

**So today, I will ask God for the treatment. I will ask Him for the approval. I will ask Him for more years and more opportunities to live, love, and serve.
And I will also place the outcome in His hands.**

Because the God who holds my future is greater than the uncertainty surrounding it.

I don't know what tomorrow will bring.

But I know who holds tomorrow.

And He is able to do immeasurably more than I can ask or imagine.

Prayer

Father, Today I come to You in the waiting.

You know the uncertainty I am facing. You know how deeply I want to live. You know the treatment I am hoping to receive, the approvals that are needed, and the desire in my heart for more time with the people I love and more opportunities to serve You.

Lord, I ask boldly: **Please open the doors that need to be opened. Provide the treatment that is needed. Move through the decisions of those who have authority to approve it. Give wisdom to the doctors and everyone involved in my care.**

I ask You for healing. I ask You for more years. I ask You for the opportunity to continue loving, encouraging, serving, and pointing others toward You.

But while I wait, help me remember that You are not limited by what I can see.

When I am discouraged, strengthen me.

When I am afraid, give me peace.

When I am impatient, teach me to trust.

When I cannot see the way forward, remind me that You already see the whole journey.

And for every person reading these words who is waiting for an answer, meet them in their waiting place. Let them know that they are not forgotten. Give them courage for today and hope for tomorrow.

Lord, we place our requests before You—but more importantly, we place ourselves in

Your hands.

You are able to do immeasurably more than all we can ask or imagine.

So we will keep praying.

We will keep trusting.

We will keep hoping.

And we will keep walking with You—one day at a time.

In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

Hugs,

Bob and Carol

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