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Prayer Update February 2015

Dear Friends,

The last several weeks have been quite a trial as I've (Steve) been waiting for weeks to get into a Gastro Doc, and then with the recent icy weather my appointment was cancelled. I've also been seeing a chiropractor for a month because parts of most nights I've slept in a chair due to severe back pain. We did just replace our very old mattress--- when you can see the impressions in it everyone we've talked to says that's the definition of being worn out! Hopefully that will help.

Through all this, the Lord has been reminding me that the discomfort I've endured the last several weeks pales in comparison to what many of you have endured from various afflictions, trials and losses. The Apostle Paul certainly endured hardships. The end result of Paul's persecution and imprisonment produced a man concerned with growing stronger spiritually. This is certainly one of the great needs that every one of us has, the need to mature and grow in faith with each passing day. Paul rebuked the church at Corinth for their failure to grow spiritually and I'm reminded about the importance of our faith in Jesus and how we must constantly pursue a deepening relationship through both good and difficult days! Paul's persecution resulted in a man who grew in faith, wisdom, conscience, and in his conviction to preach the gospel at every opportunity. I pray that you and I, no matter what the Lord brings us in the coming days, will grow to a deeper trust in our Savior Jesus Christ!

In Christ's love,

Steve, Lila, Marshall and Maddie Bayer

U.S. Ministry Update

Through the last month we've seen awesome ministry take place! Our Ministry Advisor team is on pace to impact well over 100,000 lives this year through locally hosted events using FamilyLife tools. The "Weekend to Remember Getaway" season so far has conducted 8 of 59 spring events where 6,205 people have attended and 247 of them indicated Salvation decisions! Dennis Rainey says if that doesn't get you excited then "your wood is wet"!

"Incredibly eye opening and life changing. A deeper love for God and my spouse has been uncovered. Best gift we could have ever given each other."

Wife of 11 years, Weekend to Remember attendee 2/15/15

Global Ministry Update

See what FamilyLife is doing in [Cameroon](#), [New Zealand](#), [Mexico](#), [China](#) and [Ukraine](#)!

Prayer Requests

-Please continue to pray for our daughter Maddie's passion for Japan—we are waiting on the Lord to reveal what steps she needs to take.

-Pray for Steve's healing of his back pain and his upcoming Gastro Doc and chiropractor appointments.

-Pray for us as we parent two teenagers and try to provide love and discipline.

-Pray for the thousands of couples, their marriages and the relationship with the Lord that have the opportunity to attend the "Weekend to Remember", "Art of Marriage" and many other FamilyLife, events and small groups in the months ahead in the U.S. and around the world.

-Pray for Steve's Ministry Advisor team as there are a variety of prayer needs including; Larry suffering from A-Fib, Glen's father-in-law just diagnosed with cancer, Scott who's dealing with deception of his 17 year old daughter and a niece of Steve & Steph who is on a ventilator in grave condition. Please pray that we will effectively share the gospel and encourage church staff and leaders despite these tough things going on in our own lives.

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