

Steve & Lila Bayer

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Hi Friends,

If you follow us on Facebook, or our group "Steve & Lila Bayer, FamilyLife", you are likely aware of the health situation Lila has been experiencing the last few days. If you haven't seen, however, we learned a few weeks ago that Lila was diagnosed with severe anemia. She was feeling light-headed, tired, weak and short of breath. We had been told that we would be referred to a hematologist but as the days of waiting for that referral passed, she continued to deteriorate physically. Thursday evening she got a call from the hematologist who said that we needed to come in to see him immediately. Friday at the appointment he said that her red blood cell, hemoglobin and iron levels were all at alarming levels.

He ordered a blood transfusion at the hospital here in Little Rock on Monday followed by an iron infusion on Tuesday. As we write this on Friday, September 22nd, Lila has improved immensely. We are thankful to the Lord that she feels exponentially better now than just 48 hours ago.

We are so thankful for the prayers of God's people and the wonderfully encouraging facebook comments, texts, emails and phone calls. We want to ask you to please continue to lift Lila up for continued improvement in the days ahead and for her October 7th Hematologist appointment where no doubt more lab work will tell us how she's holding up currently and to begin the process of determining the cause of the anemia. Of course it's disconcerting to now wait on the Lord to help us understand what is going on.

We have reflected in recent days about how our Lord has taken care of us through our entire lives. We know many of you have experienced much heartbreak in life with health issues, loss of family members, prodigals and many other trials. Until now we haven't experienced anything like that only by His grace. We are missionaries and many times people have complimented us for being willing to follow the Lord's leading to serve FamilyLife by moving to Little Rock from Kansas but we are no more faithful than you. We also go through periods of conflict, unbelief, sometimes we don't pray together and sometimes we're just stubborn sinners like every other person on this planet.

We want to ask you to pray for Lila's health in the days ahead, that the Lord would reveal what is going on, and give the Doctors and us wisdom about what we might do in response. Please pray that we will find great trust in the one who created us and saved us.

We love you and we are thankful for your prayers and your generosity in supporting our family while we continue to rely on the Lord in the fight for families around the world.

In Jesus name and for His glory alone,
Steve & Lila Bayer

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