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Dear Friends and Family:

We are well into 2021 and past the half-way mark until spring. Cindy has put the last of the Christmas decorations away for another year. Now our regular life continues on... This letter is to update you on a couple of new developments.

## **NEW FOCUS**

As our support team, you have followed our journey with leading Healing Hearts Ministries and taking on directing NCEM as well. God has given grace to juggle the two organizations and we have experienced His power at work. Now that we are entering our fifth year of dual responsibilities, we realized a change was needed. Just as we felt the call to step down from our role in leading HHM, a new Board member with HHM, Dale Bergren, stepped up.

As of December 31, 2020, we handed over the role to Dale, who will serve as transitional director, while Walter continues to give input and consultation as needed. Our focus will now be on the responsibilities with NCEM as General Director, and Cindy serving as Personnel Coordinator. Please pray for Dale, on January 2<sup>nd</sup> he had a heart attack and has had to slowdown some of his responsibilities in this challenging role.

We will remain as Healing Hearts Missionaries and continue to receive our support through HHM. Our home base will remain in Regina. Once restrictions lift, we plan to continue traveling, visiting missionaries and presenting the needs of First Nations ministry wherever we go! God has given us encouragement and peace as the HHM Board stands behind our decision and has released us with their blessing.

## **HEALTH UPDATE**

At long last, the various tests and procedures that had been postponed have all been scheduled in the month of January! After a stress test, angiogram and echocardiogram, Walter's heart has been thoroughly tested and examined. No issues could be found and the cardiologist is satisfied with his heart health.

After last year's annual physical Walter went in for more tests on his prostate. It was discovered that he has very early stage prostate cancer. The Doctor has put him on active monitoring. That means every 6 months he gives blood as they watch his PSA

levels. Walter continues his active ministry life but does tell people that growing old is not that much fun!

With his strict diet of low fat and low sugar, his other symptoms seem to be under control. More follow up will continue.

THANK YOU ALL for praying and checking in with us as to Walter's health. We will keep you updated as we find out more.

If you have any questions about our NEW FOCUS or would like information on how to support us through prayer or financial giving, contact us.

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." Colossians 3:17

Sincerely

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