



Because He Lives ...

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Dale receives chemotherapy shot #6.

Greetings in the name of Christ Jesus!

So, what is going on with your missionaries to the Czech Republic? It has been some time since we wrote. We apologize. But we also want to bring you up to date on what is happening in our life as we are temporarily stateside.

As was reported in our last missive, Dale has multiple myeloma, a cancer that affects the bone marrow. While cancer is always scary, it is also a cancer that is very treatable. They cannot cure it, but they can get it into remission.

The treatments include two medicines taken every night—3 weeks on, 1 week off—as well as a weekly chemotherapy injection. As far as side-effects go, they are fairly mild. There is some dizziness, tiredness, as well as some other minor issues. Of course, we give thanks to God who has seen us through. And we give thanks for the multitude of prayers that have been offered for us.

As we are here stateside—until at least late August depending on the further response of the cancer to the treatment—you may be asking, “Is there need for support?” That is a fair question. The simple answer is “Yes.” Back in Prague, we still have an apartment for which rent is required. (And there have been requests for its use from fellow missionaries who have needed to come to Prague.) We also have the utilities and the phone/internet bill—all things needed by visiting missionaries and not easily restarted after cancelling. And any gifts given now will only help us to get back into the swing of work when we return later this year.

We also want you to know that our pay is currently not coming from our Network Supported Missionary fund (NSM). In May, we applied for our Medical Disability leave, so our salary is paid to us from the insurance that covers this. This is a practice of good stewardship, trying to stretch every dollar and penny given as far as it can go.

Things in Prague are going well. Pr. Martin is doing a bang-up job at St. Michael. He has been in constant contact with me, and we thank God for his preaching and pastoring to the saints there. We long to be back there. We pray that God will bring that day quickly. And when He does, what joy will be ours to be rejoined with the congregation that sends us messages concerning prayers and for their desire for us to return. O God, make all this so!

We commend you to Christ. Rev. Dale and Suzanne Kaster — *Your Missionaries to the Czech Republic*