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We are all living in a strange time of world history! It is an **unkind time** to say the least! It has the entire world at siege! Prisoners, captives in our own homes! No one can go and come as they please! We have never been in quite a situation that we are now. A teen was fined over \$200.00 for taking a leisure ride in Pennsylvania. **“Stay at home”** was the order! Obey or pay the consequences! **It's the law!**

Missionaries can no longer travel to their meetings during this time of quarantine! Which means no offerings to help get them through the month, bills, groceries, medical, dental, schooling for kids, clothes and life continues with utility bills, car pmts. rent, taxes and insurance to pay.

Doctors have shuffled my appointments around so much I am dizzy and my agenda is all blotted over with white out. On top of that, the few meetings I had scheduled have all been canceled, also being covered with white out!

In March, at the outbreak of the Caronavirus, I was taken to our local hospital with breathing difficulties, again. After four days of treatments, my right lung being drained of fluids, again, I was released with more medications and further appointments with my heart, cancer & pulmonary doctors.

For the 1st time in my life (**80 + years**) I have attended my home church without leaving my living room, along with a few family members. And mailed in my tithe/missions offering on Monday.

My cancer doctor continues treating me by IV every 2 weeks. Dr. Splichael recently said my left lung is basically doing all my breathing. In April my schedule is still covered with treatments, an ultrasound for my pulmonary doctor then a trip to Loganville for results. Lab work for my diabetic doctor in Bethlehem, then follow up **by phone** a few days later.

My missionary son James and family, home on furlough from Brazil, live 10-15 minutes away, comes over every day to stay with me, wash clothes, clean house, make bed, fix meals, and takes care of me while my daughter works (who by the way, has been laid off work now for two weeks along with most everyone we know, for how long, no one knows).

In all this I am **thankful for each of you**. Your faithfulness to this worn out missionary is encouraging. **Thank you all!**

Gratefully yours - Dr. Phillip Allen

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