

APRIL 2020 PRAYER UPDATE

# TALBOT TIMES

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## CURRENT SITUATION:

We so appreciate your continued prayers and support as we minister here in Cranbrook, BC, Canada. We are under some restrictions here due to Covid-19. We are conducting services interactively through Skype and also broadcasting through facebook live through our church facebook page. It has been going pretty well in our service interaction, and we have had quite a few people that have at least looked at the facebook live events. There are not huge numbers of cases in British Columbia, and not many in our region: 1795 total cases in BC and 153 in our region; 90 total deaths and 1 in our region. Some businesses have been shut down, but a lot are operating. They are still only testing healthcare workers and those that are “nearly dead” as a hospital emergency room doctor told me. One of the most inconvenient things for us is that the US/Canadian border is shut down to all but essential traffic. Thus, we cannot access our PO Box in Idaho and cannot continue doing work on the motorhome in Montana to prepare for furlough.

## FURLOUGH

That brings us to furlough. We hope to still be able to begin the furlough on June 10<sup>th</sup>, but that is still up in the air, since we don't know what the border situation will be by that time, nor the situation in the various US states. If the border remains closed, our fill-in, Pastor Peacock, will not be able to enter Canada each week to conduct services. Also, we may still be doing electronic services by then. We also must get more work done on the motorhome before we can travel in it (tires, couch ordered and installed, transmission fluid/filter change, antifreeze change, trailer wiring problem fixed, etc.). If we cannot begin in June, we may just roll things forward with the scheduled meetings in July, August and September, and leapfrog meetings to the end of the scheduled period when and if possible. If the Lord wants us to just stay put till next year, then we just say “let the will of the Lord be done”! We know HE is in control and are waiting on Him for answers to all this.

## FAMILY

We have been struggling as a family over the last 6 weeks with illness. Markus got sick the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of March for a few days. Then I got sick on the 20<sup>th</sup>, with a slight fever and generally feeling bad with slight nausea. I ended up passing out after taking a soak in the bath and banged myself up and did \$250 worth of damage to the plumbing in the bathtub! Ruth called 911, and I spent the night in the hospital in the emergency room for observation. They concluded I had gotten too hot in the bath, stood up too quickly and suffered a blood-pressure drop. I was OK for a few days after, then sick again, and Ruth got the same thing. Since then almost every week we have had 1 or 2 or 3 of us with a repeat of the same symptoms. Anna is the only one that has completely escaped it so far (she's a tough kid!).

**PRAY:** -For our health, that we will get over this recurring sickness completely.

-For our church folk as we are isolated physically from one another.

-For creativity in and opportunities for outreach with the gospel during this. *For Souls,*

-For REVIVAL for Canadian and US churches.

-For our national down to local leaders for wisdom and restraint.

-For Souls to be saved.

*The Talbots*

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