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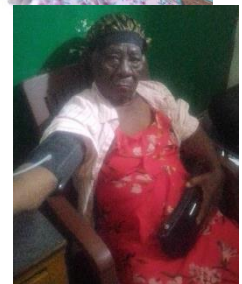


"And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years..."

(Deuteronomy 8:2a)

This past Sunday was the fortieth anniversary of my father's death. We buried his body three days later on what would have been his sixtieth birthday. There are so many things to remember from the years that have passed since then.

Many of those years were spent doing medical ministry in Haiti. We had great joy over patients who put their faith in Jesus Christ. We helped local churches as we sowed Gospel seed and cared for their pastors, deacons, teachers and church members. There was a special relationship with patients who were Christians. I remember the sadness that we as a staff felt over those who rejected Christ, and our grief over those who died still unrepentant not long after being seen. I continue to hear from former staff members and get word about some of our patients. I am currently putting together a medication order to send to Haiti for those who are still alive.



I remember the kindness and faithfulness of supporting churches during those years of ministry, as well as many miles on the road going back to report to them. Some churches were fairly large, some were small, but God used them all to bless me. I was greatly moved when members said they prayed for me faithfully, often for years. It is my privilege to pray for those pastors every Saturday evening, especially asking God that they would follow after righteousness, godliness, and faith (1 Timothy 6:11), be prepared for the next morning, and get enough rest through the night.

The way God has led me over the years has included trials as well as blessings. Some of those were very hard. My mother, who had faithfully prayed for the ministry in Haiti, went to meet her Lord during one of those trials. There was sometimes a definite sense of spiritual attack, not surprising in a country where spirit worship is common and demonic activity is open. Our Lord Jesus promised to always be with us, and He has always kept that promise. Memories of His past faithfulness have been encouragements to trust Him in the future.

My construction workers and I remembered times when a large, unexpected expense popped up, with the money due at the end of the month, and there did not seem to be any way to pay the bill. God always supplied, often in unexpected ways. Several men told me after one of those episodes that their faith had grown as they saw God provide. So did mine. He continues to provide, including the salaries for the watchmen and security men, assistance for a lay pastor, building repairs, and help in the next month with uniforms for kids displaced from the south so they can attend a Christian school at a local church.

"Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people.

Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous works.

Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD." (1 Chronicles 16:8-10)

Remember. Give thanks to our Lord and make His deeds known. Rejoice in our faithful God for He is good.

In our Lord's service,

Dr. Anne

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2:8)
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