

## **Barrie & Cherri Williamson – Update – 3/1/2010**

For those following our return and detour in Singapore, today is Monday and I was able to get straight in to see an endocrinologist and have a scan of my parathyroid scheduled for Wednesday morning with a follow up visit with the results with the endocrinologist the same day. He is fairly confident that the scan will show that it is normal. Tomorrow I will see my cardiologist and skin specialist. We will know more on Wednesday as to our plans to fly on to Manado.

Thanks for your prayers. We will keep you informed.

Barrie & Cherri

### *A Brief Recap*

We are so thankful that the Lord led us to be here in the States during this critical time with Cherri's mom. Our original plan was to return to Indonesia January 7<sup>th</sup> but her surgery was postponed and did not take place until January 19<sup>th</sup>. As you know she did not wake until the fifth day following the operation; we were afraid she was not going to wake up on earth again. However God heard and answered our (and your!) prayers. Since then has been making made progress day by day. She is looking forward to being released from the convalescent home on Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> and returning home. The Lord has wonderfully provided a hospital bed and Hoyer lifting device for her continued recovery and we are now praying about a handicapped equipped van to meet their transportation needs and make her life much easier. Just the idea of being able to go down to the San Diego Bay made her eyes brighten and brought a big smile to her face. We won't know until a couple more months just how successful the surgery has been.

### *A Brief Update*

We had postponed our return until February 25<sup>th</sup>. Just as we began to think about our approaching departure, we were presented with the need to stay longer when a routine blood test showed that the calcium level in my blood as well as my creatinine level is too high. I was referred to a nephrologist and an endocrinologist but am not able to get in to see them until March and April respectively. After much prayer, we both felt that we should not postpone any longer but rather keep to the 25<sup>th</sup> date and seek to see specialists in Singapore on the way back to Indonesia. It is possible to get tests done, results back and surgeries performed in Singapore much faster than here, so rather than wait around for openings here, we feel it will be more efficient to go with this plan.

### *Lauje Work*

News from Lauje continues to be encouraging. There were 20 more baptisms at Ogoalase in mid-January! News from Jason Bechtel in Canada is encouraging as well. The work of the layout of the Lauje New Testament is drawing to a close. It has been exciting to work from here online via Skype with Jason. He is really doing a fabulous job and I have every confidence that the finished product will portray that excellence and bring much praise and honor to the Lord.

It seems that we're always either asking you for prayer, or thanking you for them! We feel blessed to have such dear friends and prayer partners. You mean so much to us.

Please pray for Cherri's mom's progress, the final work on the New Testament, and our medical concerns to be taken care of in Singapore.

With thankful hearts,

Barrie and Cherri