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# MINUS40 REPORT

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Missionaries to the indigenous people of the North

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## December 2023

Where do I start? The surgeries and initial recoveries are over. Lois has no arthritic hip pain and is gaining normalcy akin to 5 years ago. The 12 week post surgery X-rays are done and have been reviewed by the surgeon and he is pleased. The gruelling journey to Ohio and back to the Yukon is done. The Dr and hospital bills are paid. The church plant here in the Yukon is solid. Sometimes I can only hang my head and weep at the goodness of God to such an undeserving guy like me.

I don't know how to explain it properly, but with this all behind us, I have a new energy toward ministry and see the call of God a bit brighter and stretching down the road a bit further than before. *"And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;" (1 Timothy 1:12)*

I need to issue a proper thank you to all the churches and individual who gave toward our need. The way everything was set up with our home church to handled the finances, I wasn't privy to who gave what. Sometimes we knew if it came through the mission agency, or if it was given directly to us, but the bulk of the expenses were processed and the details were kept private. Pastor Jamieson reports that \$54,023.12 US Dollars designated to the surgery expenses came in and was paid out. Every bill has been paid and the balance on all accounts is \$0. I don't know who you are or how much you gave, but every dollar is appreciated and Lois and I are praying God's richest blessings upon all who gave and for all who prayed! *Philippians 1:3-4 I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, 4 Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy.*

As CHRISTmas approaches, we have gotten several boxes from supporting churches with very thoughtful gifts. Also, some supporting churches gave additional support and that as well is very appreciated! It is so nice to be remembered. Your missionaries are not unlike soldiers battling on foreign soil. The missionary's battles are not necessarily physical, but spiritual. Missing family and friends happen in both instances. Thank you for remembering the soldiers in your life!

The ministry here has remained stable throughout my absence. The church kept the Sunday service active and recently we resumed the Wednesday service. We support three missionary families and their support stayed steady.

We enter the New Year with hope that souls will be saved and lives changed! Indigenous ministry is an endeavour that requires patience and more patience. We have the promise from scripture that keeps us going. *"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." (Galatians 6:9)*

Thank you, *Steve and Lois Donley*