

# *Billiot's Newsletter*

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“THEREFORE, MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS, STAND FIRM. LET NOTHING MOVE YOU. ALWAYS GIVE YOURSELVES FULLY TO THE WORK OF THE LORD, BECAUSE YOU KNOW THAT YOUR LABOR IN THE LORD IS NOT IN VAIL” I COR. 15:58

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## **GOD IS GOOD**

What a whirlwind this last term has been, but God has been leading our path. I would first like to address the issue of Stephanie's health, because a lot has happened since the last time I wrote. After a long wait to see a neurologist, her case was taken on by Dr. Paullus, of Amarillo. It was there we learned how serious her case was and how quickly everything needed to move. The good news was that the doctor was confident in his plan and that with another brain decompression surgery a lot of her problems would be alleviated. Stephanie went into surgery February 13 and everything went well. She is currently still recovering and still has a long road to go. The main concern now is the mass called a syrinx that is in her spinal fluid. The size alone is alarming to the doctor and he will be doing more MRI's to keep an eye on the situation in hopes that the first surgery will cause a shrinking. If this is not the case, she will have another surgery to put in a shunt in that area.

## **CONTINUEING LEARNING**

We have been very fortunate that Stephanie's parents live in Canyon, so that she has been able to heal at her childhood home, while I have been able to continue with my schooling. The family at Sunset have also been very helpful in allowing me to be present for her surgery. This term I had the ability to take classes on Greek, Acts, Matthew, Hermeneutics, Evangelism, and Preaching Labs. Unfortunately, Stephanie did have to drop the term, but looks forward to coming back as soon as she gets the ok from doctors. I have learned so much academically, which in tern has given me the ability to learn the true nature of God and Christ. Each term I continue to build upon that knowledge, adding layer upon layer of God's word. I also had the opportunity to attend and help with Sunset's annual vision workshop. This year's theme was "Reminding our Generation" and had many great classes and speakers to hear on the subject. It was uplifting to see so many preachers, teachers, and believers come together to encourage and learn. It was a wonderful time and I look forward to next years.

## **CAMPAIGN WEEK**

The week of March 17-24 all students will be taking part in a campaign of some sort. Some students will be going internationally to Mexico City, while the other will be staying stateside. I will be going with the group to Killeen, Texas to partake in a door knocking campaign. We are praying that this will help spread evangelism throughout the community. During this week we devote ourselves to serving the church and community in any way that we can. I look forward to reporting in all the ways God will use us during this time.

## **THANK YOU**

Lastly, I would like to express my deep gratitude to all who have been keeping us in your prayers these past few months. They have been difficult, but all your encouragement has been keeping our hearts full of love and hope. You have all truly been examples of how God intended for the church to be. Thank you for your time, gifts, cards, but more importantly hearts in prayer. I ask that you forgive any lack of communication during this time, and we hope to be back on track soon. We love you all and we thank you for your continued support.

Joseph and Stephanie

