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DAVID & CATHIE SANDIFER

with Annabelle (10) and Josiah (7)

Serving the Lord in the Netherlands



'Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.' (Matt. 11:28-30 ESV)

Dear friends



The biggest cold snap in 20 years meant lots of wintry fun!



We've been meditating lately on the meaning of carrying the Lord's burden and not our own. Our burdens are heavy; but His is light! So it's a great exchange to lay our burdens at His feet and to take up His instead--therein lies true rest.

About 10 days ago, Cathie came down with hives and a fever which eventually worsened to the point where she was taken to the emergency room. We feared it might be Covid but

multiple tests came back negative.

The hospital staff were flummoxed: she was fighting a severe infection, but they could not identify it or localise it. After a few of days she began to improve, even though there was no diagnosis or treatment. She is now at home and doing much, much better.

We praise God for bringing us through this. Some of you we were able to communicate with directly, and we are so thankful for your prayers.

We are also very thankful for the community here at Tyndale, and for the way that so many supported us during this difficult time. We still don't know what was ailing Cathie--the doctors are just saying it was an unknown infection. We are just so thankful to know that our lives are in God's hands, and we know that this was neither unknown nor unforeseen by Him!

Meet the Chois

We want to introduce to you one of our Tyndale students and his family. Simon and Sophie Choi come from South Korea. David has enjoyed having him in two of his classes, and Sophie has been teaching piano to Annie and Josiah.

Here's a bit from Simon in his words:

"My family was in India for six and a half years before coming to Tyndale. Recognizing my lack of theological knowledge in my ministry, I decided to study at Tyndale... I have been joyful with all of the lectures that are systematic, thoroughly biblical, and Christ and gospel-centered. Throughout all of my studies, I have been equipped to be a more humble and mature missionary and to prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks me for a reason for the hope that is in me (1 Pet 3:15). I will go back to India again with my family this summer and plan to get involved in campus ministry or church planting in north India to make disciples amongst Hindus and Muslims."



Give thanks

- For healing for Cathie
- For a much-improved back for David
- For God's help for David in preparing for his new classes, and for a good start to the term
- For continued protection from Covid-19
- For the Lord teaching us so faithfully to walk closely with Him and give Him our burdens

Please pray

- For Cathie's complete recovery and good health going forward
- For David's teaching to be fruitful in the lives of his students
- For wisdom in choosing a church to join (we're getting closer!)
- For God to fill us with His joy day by day

From David, Cathie, Annabelle and Josiah



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