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Dear Friends,

Spring, 2019

Winter was late in coming, but it sure let us know it was here when it arrived! We didn't have it as badly as some did, but there were a few days the last week of January during which we never left the house. Homeschoolers don't usually get snow days, but we let Jordan sleep in a bit extra since his co-op classes, Bible study and HPA rehearsal were all cancelled. We got busy inside the house and worked on several projects that had been ignored too long, and Jeff was pretty glad to get back to the office!

Jeff's right knee replacement surgery in October went very well. He graduated early from physical therapy and recuperated so well that he had his left knee replacement on February 18—less than four months later. Although he has had his moments of difficulty and pain, he is, once again, healing well and looking forward to getting back to work without the knee issues!

Just before Thanksgiving, Mom had a breast lumpectomy. She had initially been told that it was cancer, but it turned out to be a pre-cancerous condition. Even better news is that she didn't have to endure either chemotherapy or radiation and only takes a medication to suppress any hormones that could cause further problems. We are all thankful that things turned out so well and that she is doing better. The closing on Mom's house finally took place at the end of November. It was emotional, especially for Mom, but the Lord was evident in every aspect and we are grateful.

As spring approaches, the office buzzes with activity! Before his surgery, Jeff made sure to have



the stage built so that Nicole could get busy on the painting and finishing touches. This year, the stage is a time machine and it has been upgraded to include lots of gears and special effects. Chris, Amber, Juli and Nicole have spent much time recording the videos that go along with the curriculum. Chris has written all of the material, Amber is remaking and repairing puppets and Juli is working on print and technical needs while Nicole finishes painting the stage. Everyone is

working together in order to share the message this year that God's Truth never changes! Please pray for the staff as they pull everything together for the new series even while they spend many weekends traveling for various programs.



It has been exciting to see the response to the Reach More campaign! Enough gifts were given so that the roof can be done this spring with almost enough left over to have the septic work done. What a blessing! It is exciting to realize that we are on our way to being able to expand the office building in such a way that we can *reach more* children with the gospel! That is the purpose behind everything that we do here. We would appreciate your prayers for this project. More importantly, pray that more children will hear the good news that Jesus saves!

Because of Jesus,

Jeff and Robin Awe