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1 Peter 5:10 "God himself will restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you."

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Prayer Pleas

Erlene's lymphedema
Doug's health
Erlene's ministry at MRAP/MRI
The ministry & team of MRAP/MRI
Visiting guests of MRAP/MRI
(missionaries & pastors)
Meridith
Kate & family
Chris & family

As Jesus looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. "Truly I tell you," he said, "this poor widow has put in more than all the others. All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on." Luke 21:1-4

Will You Match the Widows' Offerings?

As you know, we are supported by your monthly giving, and we are grateful for those who give. We know that many give generously and sacrificially. Unfortunately, though, we are desperately short on our monthly donations. We need to raise about \$2500 in monthly giving.

Recently two widows sent us offerings of \$500 each. What a blessing and surprise! These are godly women, both of whom have served overseas—one long-term and one short-term. We are so grateful that God moved on their hearts to give and that they listened and gave generously.

Would you be willing to match their donations?

Maybe you can give a one-time offering of \$500 to match one widow's offering.

Maybe you can give \$1000 to match both widow's offerings.

Your one-time offerings will help get us started on the amount we need to raise. We also need individuals, churches, and pastors to commit to giving monthly.

If you are already, giving—thank you! Will you prayerfully considering raising your monthly offering by \$5 or \$10 or even \$50 per month?

If you are not currently giving, will you prayerfully consider making a commitment to give? Any amount will help.

Or you could step up and make an ongoing commitment to match donations. Maybe you would say, "I will match any special donations you receive."

This ministry is critical to the health of missionaries and pastors from all over. Erlene has recently counseled missionaries from Europe, Eurasia, and Latin America, as well as pastors from various states. They come for debriefing, for spiritual growth, depression, trauma, marriage and family concerns, and many other issues.

One missionary family who ministers to Muslims recently wrote: "You guys have done so much to help our family and we are extremely thankful for everything you have taught us. We have grown so much as a family and through your help we have realized there is more to learn."

Your donations help us continue to minister to families like this. See the box on the left for two ways to give.

Doug is now finished with his antibiotic regime for TB. We are glad that it was inactive and that he did not have symptoms. He has resumed his arthritis medications and is getting the pain under control again.

Erlene still has some lymphedema in her right arm due to removal of lymph nodes in 2015, but it is under control.

Isabelle was born to Chris and Rachael in March. She is healthy, and we are all very pleased to have her. Erlene was privileged to spend a couple weeks with them after her birth.

Chris is now deployed in Asia. Please pray for him and the family while he is gone.



Erlene was blessed to be able to pray over one of the pastors from our church as **Pastor Jackie Ranger** received her ordination at Northwest Ministry Network's Annual Conference. (above)



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