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**Joyful in Hope – Day Fourteen, April 2, 2020**  
**(thoughts and ideas to encourage and challenge)**

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“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”  
Romans 12:9

Happy Thursday!

What a beautiful day we have been blessed with today! Doesn't that sunshine just feel so refreshing and renewing? I pray that the warmth of God's love is embracing you today.

Let me tell you about a few phone calls I enjoyed this afternoon, while sitting out in my backyard, soaking up the sun. (There are some good things about this “Stay at Home” order.)

Some of you will soon be getting a card in the mail from Sharon Awbrey. She just wanted to reach out to some Heritage folks who might be at home alone. Isn't that nice?!

Greg and Polly Brooks are asking for prayers for their daughter, Emily, and her family. Emily is a nurse at St. Joseph's, and last week, a resident she works with tested positive, so now Emily is self-quarantined. Emily is pregnant with twins.

Also, Greg sent me an address for Bill Powers. I know Bill would enjoy a note or a card. Here's the address:

Metcare Inc  
Attn: Bill Powers  
423 W Dryden Rd  
Metamora, Michigan 48455

Eric Esshaki asked for prayers for his brother Mark, who is a doctor at St. John's, and is working directly with CoVid-19 patients. Mark is staying in their basement when he goes home, to keep Angel and their boys safe. Angel is also pregnant.

Stephanie asked for prayers, first for little Quinn. Quinn hurt her foot, and it appears that it may be broken. Her doctor is advising her about where to go to get an x-ray. Also, Stephanie told me that is very likely that Jason, Addy and Quinn's dad, has covid19. He works with several patients who have the virus, and he is symptomatic. He is still awaiting his test results.

We have more and more people to be praying over. Please take some time each day to do exactly that.

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A couple of people have asked me to mention again that if you are trying to know what to do about your church offering, you can send checks to Steve Sprague (address is in the directory).

Finally, our first Heritage Prayers Meeting on Zoom was a success. It was nice to be able to talk to each other face to face, at least on video, and to share prayer needs. We'll plan to get together every Wednesday at 7PM, until we're able to meet once again at the church building. We'd love to have you join us.

That's all for now. Hope you can get out and go for a walk. It will do you a world of good.

Peace and Health.

Pete

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