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a Compassionate, Active, Military Outreach **ARLAN & ELLEN DAVIS**

Supporting Spiritual Resiliency throughout Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

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Dear pastor and friends,

My how time flies. Its been a minute since our last mission update. God is reminding us of how young we really are not. Last month before a planned, well needed break, while Ellen was in Texas watching our grand children, I experienced something that shook me to the core. I had a bout of atrial fibrillation (aFib) giving me the second ambulance ride of my life and a five day inpatient hospital stay. Wow, what a **reminder of how big our God is** and how frail we are. Praise God, the aFib corrected itself and I was back in normal sinus rhythm within 36 hours without any outside intervention. What a blessing that was. After some medication adjustments to keep things steady, we are continuing to do what God has sent us to do which is to support and preach the Gospel to the military members here.

We were able to take our break which was very refreshing. We just got home and Ellen came down with pneumonia. She is doing much better now and **that reminds us of the need, as brothers and sisters in Christ, to continually hold each other up in prayer** for health and safety, for our vehicles to continue working, for the growth of our spousal relationships, and so much more.

These physical challenges keep us looking to the Lord for our health. Although we have no plans, unless God directs otherwise, to go anywhere from here or change our ministry, the physical demands of this work are continuing to wear on us. I wish we were getting younger and stronger but, alas, that is not the case. As I am not a pastor with a congregation, we have no one to step into our role when physical challenges like these prevent us from being active in the work.

Please pray specifically for someone to come alongside to train with me. If the Lord should call me home, this ministry and the spiritual care the military members get from it, are gone unless someone answers the call. This ministry could potentially be replicated across the country but it takes time to develop.

The work continues as new service members rotate into each of the units where we minister. So many times as I walk past a member I'm asked to take a moment to speak with them about a burden they are bearing such as a relationship they want to make permanent or dissolve, a career move, a run in with the law; and the list goes on. Answers from the Bible are central to these responses.

A previously occasional request has now become a regular request for me to officiate for funerals and interments at the local veteran's cemetery. Although the service is brief, **what a privilege it is to share the Gospel and the comfort of the scripture with these families as they lay their loved ones to rest.**

The doors continue to open as unit commanders rotate to other units locally where they are considering the possibility of having me come and provide the same spiritual resiliency support that they had been very comfortable with in their previous position. My schedule is full and yet the harvest is ripe. Please pray that the Lord would send more laborers into this harvest field.



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So teach us to number our days,
That we may apply our hearts unto
wisdom.
Ps 90:12



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