

Baird Congo Journal # 12 – News and Prayer Concerns – December 8, 2011

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Our prayer for all of us today is to hear and believe the following from Isaiah 40: 28-31(ESV):

²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
²⁹He gives power to the faint,
and to him who has no might he increases strength.
³⁰Even youths shall faint and be weary,
and young men shall fall exhausted;
³¹but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint.

Please Pray as God Leads You

1. **Bob's Eyes:** Bob saw his Ophthalmologist on Nov. 18 and was prescribed eye drops called Restasis. It will take approximately 7 weeks to see if it stimulates his eyes to create tears in the way they should, and if that will solve, or partially solve his problems.
2. **Elizabeth's Pain and What the Drs Say:** Both our GP and the GI Specialist agree that it will be very difficult to find the exact cause of her pain. They both think that a smooth muscle relaxer should stop the pain. These drugs are not addictive and do not have bad side effects. Elizabeth is now trying her second smooth muscle relaxer to see if it will work—the first one did not. Meanwhile, she is still being tested. The next one is Monday, 12 / 12; a scope down her throat to check out her upper GI tract.
3. **D R Congo Elections:** Presidential elections took place on Nov. 28, with relative calm. Since then, because of accusations of “stuffing” of ballot boxes and such, there have been some outbreaks of violence, mostly in the capital of Kinshasa which is on the other side of the country from where we live in Bukavu. The outcome was announced just yesterday with the incumbent President Joseph Kabila as the winner.
4. **What Might Happen Next in Congo:** Joseph Kabila is highly regarded on our eastern side of Congo, but rumors are now circulating that a couple of his opponents have sent protesters to Bukavu to stir up trouble. Consequently, citizens in Bukavu have been advised to be alert and not to go outside after dark until it has been declared safe enough to do so.

5. **Dawn's Classes:** Dawn is reading and writing most days as she prepares for her next intensive week class at Lincoln Christian University—Jan. 2nd – 6th. This class is part of the Spiritual Formation track of the Doctorate of Ministry program and the lessons learned in it will be used in her various ministries in DR Congo.

Thank you to everyone who prays for our family and our ministry. We would love to come visit you to preach, teach and/or share our work. Bob will be preaching at Countryside Christian Church in Port Byron, IL on January 8, 2012. If you have any questions about this information please write or call.

For the Lion of Judah,

Bob, Dawn and Elizabeth

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