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Dear Brother Rich, Brother George and the Rest of the Kettering Church:

A brotherly greetings again from the Philippines. May this e-mail finds you all well again. I have received my support and I hope you have received my previous e-mails too.

I continue to balance my time doing the work of an evangelist and performing my duty being the head of my family with God's help despite some present hardships. I have done some visitation and personal work since we arrived home from our September 30 Manila trip.

The ultrasound on Beth last September 30 showed a decrease of diameter on the myoma to 4.6cm from a 4.9cm last July. We credit that to the herbal meds that she is occasionally drinking. However, we were more inclined to schedule her for a surgery this time to once and for all get rid of the problem, but, it didn't materialized that way after a very long conference with her doctor. 4 options were presented. 3 of which are surgery in form namely T.A.B.H.S.O., hysterectomy or myomectomy and the 4th is a conservative option the same she went through in 2006-2007 that will lead to a hysteroscopic procedure (a new procedure in the Philippines). We were even presented the post surgery scenario which include the problems and possible problems she may face like a possible reopening of the uterus and/or being prone to cancer due to a long time taking of hormonal replacement drug due to an early abnormal menopause. With our consideration more on Beth's safety, we finally choosen the 4th option. A 6-monthly injection of a menopausal drug to stop the growth and shrink the myoma beginning October 20. This will lead to a hysteroscopic procedure when the mass will be about 2cm. She will also continue to drink her herbal medicine for a more effective shrinking.

We are financially bankrupt right now. And we are about to enter into another long and expensive medical procedure. We appreciate the financial aid and prayers of concern and generous brethren.

Thank you for your brotherly love, support and concern. Please continue praying for us.

Yours in Christ,  
Larry, Beth and Yna  
Philippines