



**No. 61**

**PRAY WITHOUT CEASING!**  
(1 Thess. 5:17)

**Jan. 24, 2010**

**Dear friends,**

I'd just finished my hour of prayer on this week's Wednesday morning (12:30-1:30). Like always, I felt very close to my Lord and went to sleep. For the next 25 or so minutes, I either dreamt this or the Lord took me to this "holy ground" (Ex. 3:5). Years ago, while encountering severe dengue fever symptoms, I cried out to the Lord in prayer. He met me then and for almost 40 minutes, the Holy Spirit took my sickness and replaced with His Holy Presence. So wonderful but as He increased the joyful wonderment, I couldn't take it anymore and had to cry out for Him to stop. He answered instantly and I felt horrible again. These situations are similar in several ways.

Suffice it to say, we have a Holy and faithful Father (1 Peter 1:16). Since that memorable day, back in the early 90's, the Lord has kept me enthused daily in my service to Him. But I take this recent "reminder" as an encouragement to continue in prayer. I couldn't discern where I was but I experienced amazing joy and peace.

**PRAISES:**

1. For a good month of financial giving.
2. For excellent progress on our gym.
3. For unity in our staff.

**PRAYERS:**

1. For the Buchen's \$ support to rise quickly to 100%. After two meetings with their church's higher-ups, not "everything" was accounted for, but a good sum was used for the money's transportation overseas. That will be rectified with the money going directly to ACTION.
2. For Ruben's return. He was caught playing with a dangerous weapon in school. Al talked to the principal and since it belonged to someone else, it isn't as serious as he thinks it is. Our discipline won't be severe.
3. We have five prospective courses to offer the kids...most of these will be in the summer. Pray for wisdom in setting these up and the extra funds that we'll need.
4. For wisdom re. Ricardo's situation, especially his salvation. The doctor said before that he has a 70%-30% chance of survival from his cancer if he takes chemo/radiation six times every 21 days. Chemo's here but he'd have to go to Manila for radiation. His intestines will have to remain outside his stomach for one year. Linda said her dad has lost all hope, that he's even contemplating suicide.
5. For my family's salvation. Pidge and his wife, Maureen. Denys and his wife, Gayle. Cindy's husband, Ron and John and his wife, Sue. Please pray too for my nephews and nieces. They are eight with only one saved.
6. More Warriors on the Walls. Just the other morning, I found one of our partially-filled 5-gallon water jugs on the floor. It had lost some water (the nearby rug was wet) but there's no common-sense explanation of how it could or would move from our kitchen counter to the floor four feet below. Spiritual warfare ongoing. (This has happened before at the Buchen's home and to me when I stayed at YWAM).

**Blessings,**

**Ron**