

# Bearing Precious Seed Missionaries, Bob & Marie Ford

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## SUMMER 2017 PRAYER LETTER

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

*"Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labour. For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow..." (Ecclesiastes 4:9, 10a)*

**Friends that lift you up are a tremendous blessing.** After returning home from Canada, I had a light stroke on my left side, which required physical therapy to retrain my brain to walk correctly again. From previous aquatic therapy, my good friend and therapist, Allison, was such an encouragement. She worked for a few weeks every day to get me walking right. Two are certainly better than one. Getting off balance several times, Allison was always close by to lift me up before I completely fell. Similarly, in the Bearing Precious Seed Ministry, we are trying to lift up those who have fallen into sin by giving them the precious Word of God with the marked plan of salvation in it and other helps. **Will you help us get God's Word to missionaries and national pastors around the world to help them lift up the fallen?**

**Since my doctor encouraged us to take a vacation to relax, our precious friends, Pastor Bobby and Carolyn Grover, accompanied us to Branson, MO to attend different Christian shows and enjoy the food and scenery.** Brother Bobby and Carolyn have been dear friends for 45 years. They sure did a wonderful job of lifting us up during this time of refreshment. I preached Bobby's ordination sermon in the 1970's. How we love these two. We also enjoyed being with longtime friend, Pastor Delbert Davis, at Talking Rock Road Baptist Church in Branson West, MO. This is one of our headwater Seedline churches that assemble Scriptures and supply Scriptures for many other churches to assemble in parts of Missouri and Arkansas. We sincerely love and appreciate the Davis's and their amazing people. (I couldn't get the pictures to work right.)



**Marie and I had the privilege of being at Eastgate Baptist Church with Pastor Dan Barnes and his sweet people.** After I spoke, they took our family on for monthly support. Praise the Lord! They sure lifted us up that day.

Most of the rest of our summer was spent in the hospital. I had bladder surgery to look for cancerous tumors for the tenth time. As most of you know, I spent part of June, all of July except three days, and part of August in the hospital because of a doctor's mistake piercing my heart. I was in critical condition for a while and am still suffering from all the damage it caused. Thank all of you who have lifted us up in prayer after this fall in my health. We are more than thankful. We love you much and are praying for you.



Yours for Christ and His Word,

*Bob & Marie Ford—Eph. 3:20, 21*

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