

Monday - March 20

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

1 Peter 5:6-7 (NIV)

Sarcoma Cancer. I've never heard of it until I was diagnosed with it in May 2018. The cancerous tumor was about the size of a small football in my right thigh. The tumor was wrapped around the femur and the sciatic nerve. I underwent seven surgeries on my thigh, one surgery on a lung when the cancer metastasized on it, and two surgeries when the dreaded amputation took place.

During this entire time, I had, and still have, the support of our families, friends and our church family. Our pastors visited me often in the hospital and in our home, along with numerous texts and phone calls. Everyone's support and prayers are very much felt and appreciated which have helped to see me throughout all of my treatments. The physicians at The James are wonderful!

God's timing came into play on October 14, 2022, when the amputation surgery took place. I always prayed for healing during these almost four years of this cancerous journey. After the surgery, I heard and felt God saying, "We need to amputate first, and then I will heal you."

I had many crying moments and asked God, "Why me?" Recently I read the following comment in a book and I believe it is true: "Tears wash away the old and make way for the new."

Today I know He is assisting me with learning to walk with a prosthetic leg. Knowing that God is with me as I relearn how to walk again, is getting me through this process.

When we trust Him and pray to Him, He will answer us.

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Prayer: Dear Gracious Father, Your healing hands have been felt and is very much appreciated. Knowing that You walk with us daily gives us comfort and strength. We are thankful for Your son, Jesus, for all Your blessings, for Your healing and Your unending love. With a grateful heart, please receive our prayers. Amen.

