

The Mach Family

Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast), W. Africa

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Dear Family and Friends,

Throughout thirty years of missionary ministry, we have always been quite aware of the prayer support we receive from our family, friends, and supporting churches in the states. These prayers have allowed us to persevere through times of war and political instability in this country. They have allowed us to persevere as our family's complexion has changed throughout the years through college and marriage. As well, they have allowed us to persevere through various health challenges.

It is in this context that we address you in this prayer letter. This past February, Morganne was diagnosed with a urinary tract infection. She was treated in the normal manner using the antibiotics normally prescribed for that ailment. They did not work, and the infection quickly became severe. She was eventually hospitalized and treated with some potent intravenous antibiotics. Through this treatment, she recovered.

Two weeks later, she again had a UTI brought on by the same bacteria. This time she was treated through an infusion room with the same high-powered intravenous antibiotics. She recovered again and went for a little over two weeks with no difficulty. Then she developed a third UTI with yet again the same bacteria.

Morganne is recovering again with the help of a different antibiotic, yet there are many questions that remain to be answered. Apparently, this bacterium is residing somewhere in her body, most likely in her digestive tract. When there, it does not create any difficulty. However, when it is transmitted elsewhere such as her urinary system, the trouble then begins.

We appreciate your prayers for Morganne's well-being and for our understanding of her condition. We are endeavoring to learn if this bacterium can be eliminated from her body. If not, we need to learn how it transmits so easily to her urinary system to impede that from happening so easily. We need to learn what causes this bacterium to flourish in her body, and we must learn exactly which antibiotics can kill it along with the mode for administering those antibiotics.

We have started the process in scheduling tests on her urinary system. Through working with urology and infectious diseases, we hope to arrive at lasting conclusions. Your prayer support is greatly appreciated.

Most sincerely in Christ,



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