

August 7, 2007

Praise

- For two good computers.
- For our friend Steve Snell who was willing & able to help with renovations.

Prayer

- John's studies: for discipline of time, for wisdom in research, and good results in writing.
- Sunday ministry: Paula teaching Ladies S.S. class, John preaching at Emmanuel in AM.
- John's parents: Dad was hospitalized due to falling and disorientation.

Computers, renovations, study, & hurting parents. These words summarize our week.

Computers: Wednesday, August 1 was the date for Jim Storey to officially don the hat of EBBI Administrator. That meant that John also needed to turn over the school computer. We looked at options for us, prayed and asked God to guide us. We chose a laptop for John and a desktop for Paula. Then it took time to get them set up, transfer files, and begin learning how to use them. Hopefully we have most of the surprises behind us now.

Renovations: In anticipation of boarding more students, we wanted to complete the remodeling in our basement. The project was started last summer, but we had a few small things to finish. We are grateful Steve is helping with supplies, tools and know-how.

Study: John has been trying to squeeze in several hours a day on his research. Some days are better than others, because there are always unexpected demands on our time. This week he has been researching the subject of accreditation with the idea of preparing recommendations for EBBI as well as examining options for schools in Africa. He was also asked to preach Sunday morning. Paula has her studies too, since she is back to teaching Sunday School for a couple weeks.

Parents: We called Dad on his birthday (Aug 2), but didn't get to talk with him because the EMT folks had just gotten him back to bed. On Mom's birthday (Aug 4) we found out that Dad was taken to the hospital where they can keep a close eye on him, offer therapy and possibly change some of his medications. This may take a couple weeks or turn into something longer, so we pray for strength and wisdom as they face daily challenges and decisions.

John and Paula Dannenberg