


Parking on the Sidewalk... Walking in the Street

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Flying without a Net (and other big news)

We have experienced lots of technical challenges of late! Since we're home virtually all the time and doing our work online, being "without a Net...as in internet" is a big deal. In the last 3 weeks, we have had our internet provider out 4 times due to lack of service. There have been adjustments, more adjustments, a new modem and some adjustments outside our apartment. While frustrating, we are very grateful for both our Bulgarian friend who calls and explains our problem and that our provider usually sends someone out the same day. So YEA for customer service!

At the same time we were experiencing these issues, I realized my computer cord was quite frayed. Some electrical tape helped for a couple of days and then...nothing...no fiddling, moving, adjusting could give me a charge. A quick online order to the local Apple provider and free home delivery in about 24 hours (although they told me it might be 3 days) has me all charged up again!

Paul's technology issue has been his phone with missing pixels on his screen creating some havoc in his communication. After determining that trying to fix it would be expensive and challenging in the current environment, a new phone was ordered from the local Best Buy equivalent. Ordered on Friday, we are still waiting to hear when that phone might arrive.....

As we deal with life amidst the Coronavirus, we experienced the loss of a friend and church member. Danny was an 80+ year old vibrant gentleman with a great smile and compelling story of miraculously escaping Bulgaria 50 years ago. He built a great life in the US, but has spent most of his time the last few years in Bulgaria. We were privileged to share life with him, hear his story and eat his incredible home made banitsa (Bulgarian pastry.)

We have big personal news! After much prayer and consideration, we decided in January that we would be heading back to the US in early fall. We told our kids and got a call back from Peter and Megan. Before we purchased tickets, they wanted us to know that they are expecting twins, due in early Sept (and probably arriving in August...) Big excitement!!! While we will leave part of our hearts here with the awesome people we have come to know, we are also anticipating this new time in our lives!

Now the Coronavirus....and we don't really know when we will get back. By choosing to stay here now, which we both think is the place we should be, we realize that timing of travel over the next few months is uncertain. And so, we seek to be faithful to our call here, trusting that God has the PLAN - like He always does! Please pray for us, that we would trust His plan and timing for us. Thank you!

Blessings, Kathy

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