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Update from WITS International

Thank you for praying. It is a little less than 3 weeks ago when I left Nigeria and headed for Mercy Hospital in Grand Rapids. Some days it seems like it was 3 months ago and then other days it seems as though my days have stopped.

This is just a brief update.

I have appointments and blood work at least once a week. I am still seeing three different doctors and there are no definitive answers as to what caused this or what is going on.

As I told you previously, one of the concerns was that my platelet count was almost 2 million. They told us that the meds that they gave me could take 4 months or so before the count would be normal. We were happy that they dropped to 700,000. Subsequent blood test showed them dropping more.

Then when I went for a blood test two days ago, they were alarmed because my platelet count was only 30,000, It should be between 150,000 and 400,000. They took me off of three of the meds I had.

They told me not to break a bone or cut myself or bleed and if so, I had to get to the emergency room ASAP. If a strong wind is blowing, I probably should be careful that I don't blow away. I have lost 18 pounds.

Next Monday they are going to look at a couple of things. I do not have pain but continue to be weak and tire easily. The Dr.'s still say that they expect that I will regain all of my strength and that I should be able to continue my work. That is our prayer. Joint us in that prayer. Thanks. May God bless you all,

Lee and Carolyn