

THANK YOU FROM SHARON & STEVE WALLACE

There is an Old Testament story about Moses defending his people from the bad guys. All he had to do was hold his staff high above him, and as long as he did that, the Israelites were safe. So there Moses was, his arms holding the staff like he was supposed to. But his arms got heavy. If his arms fell, the enemy would win. No matter how hard he tried, he just couldn't. That's when Moses' brother, Aaron and his friend, Hur, stepped up to help. They found a big stone for Moses to sit on. Each man stood on either side of Moses and helped keep his arms up. Because of that, the Israelites were victorious over their enemy. In our world, the evil one uses people, situations or circumstances to attack the soul: physical wounds, racism, sickness, exclusion. But the evil one forgets who we belong to. We belong to God. We are his people, and God sends others to stand along side of us and holdup our arms in the desert time of our life.

My Captain and I experienced two house fires within six weeks time. Family members, church friends and neighbors set a stone beneath us so we could rest while they helped shoulder our burdens. We thank St. James for helping us keep our arms lifted and our load lightened. A kind word, a cash donation, food for our kitties, a compassionate heart asking what do you need, clothing, a bed, food, gift card, new dishes, prayers, mentioning our names, hugs phone calls, assistance with moving (twice), One City Café, Troost 39 for physical nourishment, Mass for spiritual help, the Knights of Columbus and "From the Heart" organization. All of them and all of you were our Aarons and Hurs!

We are finally settled in a God provided home with all of our cats. Thank you all. Thank you, God. Thank you, Mary. Thank you, Jesus. Jesus said, "You're welcome! Anytime!".