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Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings! What a blessing we both experienced recently in a Torchbearers Honor Service! We had never witnessed such a day like that in all our lives. We were among 7 other missionaries (Bro. Board - Japan; Bro. & Mrs. Griggers - Austria; Bro. & Mrs. Hawkins - Brazil; Bro. & Mrs. Piatt - Japan; Bro. & Mrs. Strong - Mexico; Bro. & Mrs. Trejo - Mexico; and Bro. Ron White - Japan) who have given so many years of faithful service to our Lord. I believe all the missionaries together totaled 307 years of faithful service. These are God's servants who have stuck with the stuff. **The big question is, who will fill their shoes when they are gone? Will you?**

All three services were filled to capacity and of course it was very emotional for us to be in such a service. It was a joy to hear the different men speak Sunday evening and to have some fellowship with them during this unforgettable day. What a blessing!!

Please pray for Mel. Since our return from the Philippines and China in April we have learned that Mel has two herniated disc in his lower back with bulges pushing into his spinal cord. This has caused unbearable pain and discomfort in his right leg (sciatic nerve). We have done all we can do short of the Lord's healing or surgery. Mel has been under the care of chiropractors, a neurologist and has an appointment August 5th for a second opinion. We are trusting the Lord to give us wisdom regarding this matter.

God has given us both almost perfect health these 70 & 73 years and we are grateful for His care. We have nothing to complain about and are confident His will will be done in our lives until we meet Him. Little set backs like this only draw us closer to Him as we continue to share our faith with those around us. Romans 8:28 and 1 Thes 5:18 are two verses that bring great comfort.

We are grateful that we are a part of your missionary vision. Your faithful prayers and financial support these many years have made it possible for us to work in the harvest fields. May God continue to bless you as we see the day of His return drawing near. Look up; maybe today!

In His service 'til He comes,

*Mel & Carol Brown*

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