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Ivory Coast Still Divided In Conflict North And South!

YOU ALL HAVE BEEN SO GENEROUS AND GIVING TO HELP US WITH THE FOOD & MEDICAL SUPPLIES FOR OUR CHRISTIAN REFUGEES LAST YEAR! THE COUNTRY'S SITUATION IS MUCH WORSE NOW AND ALL THE MISSIONARIES HAVE BEEN EVACUATED. WE HAVE BEEN SENDING MONEY THROUGH WESTERN UNION. CAN YOU PLEASE HELP THEM IN THIS HOUR OF DESPERATION? IF SO, PLEASE SEND CHECKS (PAYABLE TO ARNOLD SKELTON), DIRECTLY TO OUR U.S. ADDRESS: 50 BERKSHIRE KEEP, COVINGTON, GEORGIA 30014 - WE WILL SEND EVERY PENNY!

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Linda and I would like to say how much we appreciate your prayers, letters, cards and phone calls during this time of physical trial. As you remember, Arnold had the heart attack on June 18 in Ivory Coast. We arrived back here in the States one month later. Arnold was in Intensive Care for several days and had two stents put in his heart. On September 15, Arnold and our youngest son, Grady, returned to Africa to check on our Christians and take care of unfinished business. While they were there, Arnold's health was terrible the whole time. This visit, however, really encouraged our Christians and churches. Arnold and Grady returned to the States on October 02.

With visits to so many doctors and burdens of our country of Ivory Coast, we haven't written an update lately. Please excuse the delay but we wanted to have some concrete news to tell you about Arnold's health and of yet, we still don't know what all is going on! He did go back and see the cardiologist who doubled his medication because of on-going problems with his blood pressure. So far, the blood pressure is still highly elevated.

As far as the terrible pain in his lower back and sciatic nerve, Arnold has been to several doctors who haven't been able to help him at all. He remains in excruciating pain and has a hard time just walking around. The main problem is that the cardiologist told him he needs to be getting exer-

cise for his heart, but with tremendous pain, he isn't able to walk very much. After the last MRI, the doctors said he had a herniated disc and they have also found a cyst which seems to be running along his spine. They haven't pinpointed what that is, but hopefully they will tell us what is going on at the next doctor's appointment. Please continue to pray for his health! Without your prayers and supplications for us all these years, we would not have made it thus far!

We are continuing to hear news from the Ivory Coast. The burden on our hearts is unbearable when we think of how our people are suffering there right now. It is difficult to enjoy a meal when I think of how our African families are having to scrounge for food just to stay alive. We have just received the news that Soyé Maurice (one of our main African pastor/evangelist), is in desperate need of \$1,600.00, in order to transport 23 of our Christian families out of the rebel-held territories and get them to Abidjan. Maurice also needs to leave the area next to the rebels and get lodging for his family somewhere in Abidjan as well. Please help us with this need. *Your Missionaries,*
Arnold & Linda Skelton