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This is Joel. I am sending what my grandfather wrote, but I will add some comments where he is still slightly confused, as many people get in the hospital.

A VERY UNCOMFORTABLE WEEK

This is Saturday night, April 14. It is the day I returned from a week [actually, about 72 hours] in a Durban hospital where tests were run, I was seen by about six doctors, and was kept awake the last night by a man who was suffering from great mental pain.

And the verdict is not to my liking. They are convinced that I have a damaged heart valve. As a result, I am retaining too much water in my system. And I am feeling pretty bad.

I am taking a "water" pill which is ridding my body of excess water, and I find I am urinating quite often.

In about 10 days the family (Joel, Brittany, Zipho, Nicole, and me) are to meet with about six of the hospital specialists to go over the results of treatments, do more tests, and look our options. (Open heart surgery is NOT the option I would prefer!) [The only thing I am aware of is that they want to do some tests to see if the treatment is working in about 10 days.]

I am feeling better after some loving care from Joel and Brittany and her good food this evening. The love which is being shown to me in very practical ways makes me thankful to God, over and over.

Please continue praying that I may please God in what I do, whether it is usefulness in the kingdom through teaching and example, or in other ways—and in my dying.

Paul wrote that he wanted to depart and be with Christ. Helen had that same strong desire. AND SO DO I.

May God's wonderful blessings continue to be with us all. And I want all to know that I love you, my brethren.

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For April

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