

Ammi Ministry Newsletter August, 2018

Dear Friends and Supporters,

I am going to need a back operation in addition to the stem cell treatment. Back operation will be in 2 to 3 months. I was aware of some narrowing nerve channel in the spine, but an excellent doctor and the stem cell clinic doctor went over the x-rays I had done a month ago, and showed me how much my spine in the L 4 & 5 disc has closed the nerve channel. Based on what they saw, they were surprised how well I am able to walk. However my neuropathy is getting worse and will continue to get worse if I don't do something about this problem. This could be contributing in a great way to my neuropathy. They are going to do the stem cell treatment in the L 3-5 discs. They believe this will be of assistance to the eventual operation I am going to need. I'm in a bit of a shock to learn about this. The problem is severe enough that if I don't take care of it, it could create all kinds of mobility issues.

Taken from a viewing area inside Mall with cell phone, will send better pictures later.

I received a blessing after my serious back stem cell treatment. The head clinic doctor told me to be prepared for a lot of pain when I bend my back. I was very concerned because I have to do major caretaker chores for Donna which involves a lot of bending over. So we all didn't know how I would respond to the operation. So they hired a nurse to be with us in the hotel room for 24 hours to see how things were going. Donna really needed her to take my place.

Because of the pain blocker my legs and feet were not able to move for quite a few hours. Eventually I began trying and was able to free of the effects enough to go to hotel room. We were a sight, seeing Donna & I've been pushed through by wheelchair through a mall that is between the clinic and the hotel.

I don't know what to expect but as it turned out I have no pain no limitations other than my normal back issues and no problem walking. By three or [4 o'clock](#) in the morning I was able to walk myself to the bathroom without any problem. The doctor is amazed because younger people have much stronger negative reactions which is why she warned me.

Last week, Donna developed flu like symptoms from her stem cell treatments. But praise the Lord, this week she is not responding negatively to the treatments booting a spinal tap. Today's going to be a little rough because she has a very painful bone on bone rotator cuff in the left shoulder, and she will be getting injections there with the stem cells. We're praying for God to intervene because the doctor believes this will be very painful and we can't take the usual anti-inflammatories because that would interfere with the stem cells. I will be getting my knee and leg also treated with stem cells, and there can be swelling and pain.

It's a blessing from God.

Ron Elkin

A picture of Donna having a spinal tap yesterday. Praise God she feels OK today. It is common for people who receive large there's a game so to get flu like symptoms. This is what happened to her last week, but this week it could not happen. Praise the Lord.



This neurosurgeon inserted stem cells through the objects that are a little lifting up from my back:



What the area looks like where we are:

