

Westerholm – eMail News

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Dear Friends & Family,

We just wanted to update everyone on our situation. We arrived safely in South Africa about a week ago. Since then Chad has seen three different back specialists all who recommended surgery to treat his hierniated disc. Tomorrow afternoon (morning in the USA) Chad is going to have back surgery. We were very blessed to have an appointment today with one of the best neurosurgeons in South Africa, Dr. Wasserman, he will be performing the operation tomorrow. Dr. Wasserman is about to leave for vacation on Friday but he agreed to add Chad to his operating schedule for tomorrow, we are so grateful for that. Chad will be in the hospital for four or five days and in recovery at the guest house where we are staying for the next six weeks. We are anticipating staying here in South Africa through the holidays and until at least the end of January. We would like to ask for prayers that the surgery will go well tomorrow.

We do have a cell phone here in South Africa, here is our number: 0027 793942466

We love you all so much! Thank you for all of your prayers, love and support. God bless you!

Love,

Chad, Amy & Maggie