

Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

“For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to me.” (Psalm 139:13-16)

My name is Ramiz. It is my joy to speak to you about God’s wonder and amazing work in my life and in the life of my family. My wife and I received Jesus as our personal Savior. We believed that Jesus died for us on the cross for the atonement of our sins and He rose from the dead to give us eternal life. For me and her, Jesus is our Lord whom we obey and the Master whom we serve. He is the Author of our lives, and He has the great and best plans for us. The Lord God joined us in marriage and put us together as husband and wife united with His love, in His Word and in the Spirit. We become a family, worshipping God and serving the community of believers in Jesus Christ who continually gather together to worship Him and serve Him. We were married at the age of forties. Soon after marriage and during our honeymoon my wife had been praying earnestly to have a son and she told me that she would name him Isaac because he is a son in our old age. Weeks passed, and a month, and she did not have her monthly period. Later when we did the urine check, the test proved that she was pregnant. But she started to have lower backache, weakness, nausea, and lower abdominal pain. Then I noticed that she got a palpable lower abdominal lump like the size of a small sweet melon.

In the week that my wife was due to go for medical checkup, the ultrasound test revealed that she is carrying a fetus, but it also revealed that her uterus has multiple fibroids. The largest of them is 10x10 cm, located in the fundus and the other one is 4x4 cm, in diameter, while the size of the fetus is only 11 mm, in length. The size of the fibroids is almost ten times the size of the feus. The consultant doctor who was caring for my wife, medically informed us that the pregnancy with such condition is unlikely to continue and we should just expect abortion at any time. As soon as we received this news we started at once to pray. We informed the church and the people of God who are serving Him with us and they supported us with their prayers. We followed what the word of God that says, ***“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God.” (Philippians 4:6)*** As we prayed we claimed God’s promises. We trusted the Lord, and believed to what His word says, ***“Sons are a heritage from the Lord, and children are a reward from Him.” (Psalm 127:3)*** After 4 months, again my wife was asked to get another schedule for ultrasound to find out if the fetus is growing normally. This time we claimed ***Proverbs 10:22, “The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, and He adds no trouble to it.”*** We fully trusted in the Lord who promised that He would bless us and He would not harm us. We knew that God has a good plan for us to prosper us not to harm us; as He is blessing us with a baby He would add no trouble to it.

The Spirit of God gave us peace in our hearts as we entrusted to Him everything: ***“And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your***

minds in Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:7) We are assured that the Lord God is standing right beside us to help us. Hence, we were more encouraged to continue to work and serve the Lord. My wife was able to continue her service to God and her work in the hospital. The Lord gave her the strength that she needs daily and also granted her favor through her superiors and doctors at work. The Lord gave her the peace and joy that enabled her to overcome the pain and trial in life.

As the pregnancy advanced, our prayer and the prayers of our brethren in the Lord continued. At the age of 6 months the baby started to kick and move inside my wife’s tummy. As we felt his body parts, he responded with movements and kicks, and that made us more joyful as parents. Every night before we sleep, we prayed and played with him call his name, “Isaac”. Ultrasound did not reveal whether he is a boy or she is a girl, but we claimed as my wife’s prayer before she conceived. We have been calling him “Isaac”, which means laughter, and from that day on our prayer for him is this: “Lord, make this baby laugh to everyone and entertain everyone coming to our Church.” We had the faith that the Lord would bless us with a baby boy that it is only a matter of time and God would fulfill what He has promised us, “Life and life to the full.”

When my wife finished the 7th month of her pregnancy, her pain in the lower back and abdomen became less and less until it totally disappeared. But again, even in the later months of her pregnancy the doctor confirmed to us that the placenta is down and anytime sudden bleeding might occur and we might lose the baby. But we no more entertained such news for our faith had increased tremendously. We are sure for what we hope for, and certain of what we do not see. We are assured by faith that Isaac will be delivered and we will rejoice and be blessed with a normal cute baby boy.

Truly God is faithful! On 26/10/2005, through Cesarean section a normal baby boy, Isaac, was delivered to us. Over and over again my wife’s doctor said, “I can’t believe that she has this beautiful boy.” We carried Isaac in our arms and our hearts rejoiced for the miracle the Lord God had done and the gift He has given. He turned our mourning into dancing and He filled our mouths with laughter. God took care of Isaac from the first day his mother conceived him. And we prayed and believe that the same till the child would grow and increase in wisdom and God’s grace would be upon him. Likewise, they are all encouraged for the living testimony, the perfect answer to our prayers, Isaac.

My dear and beloved: “My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for He has been mindful of the humble state of His servant.” God is faithful and He is never late to answer our prayers. Let us seek His grace and favor in whatever trial we pass through and we are assured, ***“That in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who has been called according to His purpose.” (Romans 8:28)***

My Prayer: “Heavenly Father, I come before You in the name of Jesus who died for me on the cross to give me eternal life. O Lord, I thank You for your love and your faithfulness to us. I believe that You have a great plan for me, plan to prosper me not to harm me, plan to give me hope and future. I entrust into your hand my life, my family, and all my plans. Thank You, Lord. This is my prayer in Jesus’ name, Amen.”