A Testimony of Healing and Gratitude
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Dear friends in Christ,

I want to share my heart with you and give glory to God for what has been done in my life over the past three months. It began with something as small as gum infections, but quickly spread to my eyes, ears, sinuses, and even across the skin of most of my body. My immunity was almost down to zero when the symptoms started. I found myself fighting with four different medications, struggling through sleepless nights, and wondering if I would ever recover.

During this time, I drew blood several times to check my vitals, and my family doctor grew increasingly worried. There was even concern that I might actually be showing symptoms of leukemia. I will never forget the day my wife, Grace, cried at the doctor's office when she heard the possibility that I might have to face such a diagnosis. In those weeks, I lost nearly 10 pounds through July and August, as my body grew weaker and my spirit more burdened. By the grace of God, I have since regained my strength and restored the weight I lost—a living reminder of renewal.

In the middle of that valley, when I was exhausted in body and spirit, your prayers became a lifeline. Pastors and friends in our presbytery reached out with love and encouragement, and I cannot thank you enough. Every message, every whispered prayer, every word of support reminded me that I was not walking this path alone.

Through this trial, the Lord gently taught me to let go of the thousands of stresses and worries I had been carrying. Instead, my eyes were opened to one central truth: that life and healing are in God's hands. I began to see more clearly than ever that my hope rests not in medicine alone, but in the Lord who is both Shepherd and Healer.

By God's mercy, I have been restored. God has heard our prayers and lifted me from the brink. Today, I can say with the psalmist: "*I cried out to You for help, and You healed me. You, Lord, brought me up from the realm of the dead*" (Psalm 30:2–3).

I am overflowing with gratitude—for renewed health, for the chance to continue serving, and especially for the loving community of pastors and friends who surrounded me with such faithful care. Truly, I have experienced God's healing power through your prayers.

I also want to offer a word of encouragement to my fellow pastors: please take time to relax and allow yourselves a good sabbatical break. Maintaining your health is vital for serving God and others without interruption. Do not wait until crisis forces you to stop—make space now to be renewed, so your ministry may flourish with strength and joy.

Thank you, my dear brothers and sisters, for standing with me in this storm. May my testimony be a reminder that even in our darkest moments, the Lord still listens, still heals, and still brings us into new life.

With heartfelt gratitude and joy,

Stephen