Dear Friends,

“Though He slay me, I will hope in Him. Nevertheless, I will argue my ways before Him.”

~Job 13:15

I love the honesty of this verse in Job. We know well the story of the challenges He was walking through. He was dealing with the not so solid counsel of his friends and his physical and emotional suffering. In the midst of all of this difficulty, Job’s hope was not shaken. He knew the only place to put His confident expectation was in Christ.

Each of our individual lives can come with an assortment of challenges, and then you put those in the context of the bigger challenges of a fallen and broken world; we can easily lose hope. Job’s story captured some interesting, honest reflections earlier in this book.

“My days are swifter than a weaver’s shuttle, and come to an end without hope.”

~Job 7:6

We have had those kinds of days. They race by with the multitude of difficulties, one upon another. These days are difficult, and the challenges can drive us to the place where we feel we are without hope. These are real and accurate emotions. Listen to our friend Job.

“He breaks me down on every side, and I am gone. And He has uprooted my hope like a tree.”

~Job 19:10

A multitude of challenges coming our way can serve to uproot our hope. That is why we have to have our hope anchored in Christ. I need this in my daily walk of faith. I need this truth to stand faithfully in an assortment of challenges that can come my way. We can easily recall a difficult time of illness or loss when we would also say our hope has been uprooted like a tree. We need to know that we know, our hope is anchored in Christ. We have anchored our hope within the veil as our theme verse (Hebrews 6:19) shares. Our confident expectation or hope is in Him in spite of our challenges and difficulties.
CVM serves in a unique ministry to mobilize veterinary professionals who have their hope anchored in Him. As messengers of hope, they travel around the world and often serve with those who truly have had their hope uprooted by their life’s circumstance. Yet serving alongside these special people as a messenger of hope, anchoring our hope in Christ, we can help stand with them until they, in turn, can find Christ for the first time or reset their anchor in Him.

We have just completed a series of weekend retreats called Real Life Real Impact. A common note of encouragement we find in our evaluations is that men and women have had their hope anchored once again in Christ. CVM staff serve with these men and women sharing encouragement, challenge, and the hope of scripture and fellowship to strengthen their place.

I thank you for standing in prayer for Jan and I as we have this unique place to serve. We have that deep hope in Him. We do have our seasons when we argue our ways before Him but do stand together and with you in knowing Him as our hope. Thank you for your gifts of support and for your prayers that make this possible.

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In His Hope.

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