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Dear Friends,

Recently a supporting church asked how they could especially pray for Alpha. After some time and thought I came to three important issues for prayer so I'll share them with you too.

I am currently working with six unsaved people, five men and one woman. I am honored that they chose to talk to me considering they know I'm Christian and counsel from the Bible. Most of these people do not come from a church background but seem open to hear what I have to say. **Please pray that God will lead me to say His words and they will hear what He means for them to hear.**

Please pray for strength and wisdom for us to continue working the busy schedule here at Alpha. Our schedule is full and we need wisdom to help people with so many varied problems. The Bible offers solutions to many issues in life and our need is to be able to present these truths in such a way that people will receive it and then apply the principles after they leave the office. So often Debi and I see people come in for another session not having done any of the things needed to change and grow.

There are also those who take what we say and grow in God's grace! Very recently I received two comments from people sharing how Alpha has helped.

"It has been a lot of years since we received counseling from you. It seems we received your counseling in the 1992 to 1994 time frame. We recently celebrated our 41st anniversary so we must have listened and paid attention to your advice! Thank you for what you do!"

"The things I learned and the healing I received through your ministry there is still paying dividends for the Kingdom! The first day I sat in your office, you said "I'm going to show

you an entirely new way to live." You weren't kidding!! Thank you!"

You may have read in our January newsletter that we have extended our lease for another year. **Please pray that God will supply all that is needed for us to minister through 2017.**

A new feature has been added to Alpha's webpage! You can now donate online! We are set up with PayPal.

So many people have asked to make donations, here at the office, with debit or credit cards that we just couldn't put it off any longer. A woman in the Midwest was persistent enough with her requests for online donating I just couldn't ignore that opportunity either. Special Thanks to Alpha's IT guy, Jeff, for all the leg work he put into setting it up. He did a lot of research and PayPal is by far one of the safest online ways to send or receive money.

We still do checks and good ole cash but, we are not ready for Bitcoin! ☺

If you would like to make online donations to Alpha go to our website at alphapoulsbo.org then click on the Services and Fees button at the top of the page and then on the top of that page is a yellow Donation button giving you a way to donate to alpha.

A man (or woman) must be big enough to admit his mistakes, smart enough to profit from them, and strong enough to correct them.

John C. Maxwell

Thank you each one for your faithful support to Alpha in prayers, time, and financial needs. God Bless you!

Richard