

GRACE Homeschool Co-op Prayer Requests

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Brandi posted this on Facebook this morning:

Good morning friends and family, I know many of you have been praying for our family and I wanted you all to know how much it means to us.

On Sunday night we got the call that all parents hope to never get. Our son Anthony, along with 3 of his friends were in a horrible car wreck, and Anthony was being air lifted to Erlanger,

Anthony has a severe brain injury, at this time we do not know to what extent is brain is damaged, but we should know by the end of today. He had swelling and pressure on his brain when he first got here, they put what they call a "bolt" in his head. It was used to measure the pressure. The pressure immediately started coming down with the medication they were giving him. They were able to remove the bolt yesterday and he had an MRI last night. In addition to the brain injury, he also has collapsed lungs, broken ribs, several fractured bones in his neck, and a dislocated elbow....I'm sure there are a few more that I'm not remembering. His brain is the injury they are focused on so the others aren't mentioned as much.

Anthony was unresponsive on the scene and was intubated by the EMT (that's what we were told anyway). He has been sedated and on a ventilator since we got here. They have been slowly lowering his sedation meds and we have been able to get some movement from Anthony, and he has opened his eyelids a few time. The Drs say those are great "baby steps". He has been completely reliant on the vent to breathe, but he did take a couple of breathes over the vent yesterday, which was nice to see. He is young and strong, and I believe God has great plans for the rest of his life, He will overcome this!

We have been completely humbled by the outpouring of love, support, and prayers from our friends and community. We could never express how much it means to us. Please continue to pray for his complete healing, and please also pray for his friends Zach (he is also still in ICU and has a lot to over come), Kyra (she will hopefully be going home today), and Ashlyn Rathburn(she is our angel, she was not physically harmed in the wreck, but rest assure this girl is dealing with some trauma, she called 911 while thinking her friends were dead, I know God used her to safe Anthony's life).

Once again thank you all for the prayers and love. Our God is faithful, I trust Him, and I know He has a plan in all of this. " We know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose." Love you all, and I will update when I know more.