



Dear Friends,

We at Lutheran Hospital Ministries- Southern Alberta Society cherish your partnership in our ministry. Without your support, prayers, and service this ministry could not exist. Yet, because of God working through each of you we have been able to carry on through many difficult times and continue to provide the love and care of Jesus to His people in Calgary's hospitals and care centres.

We are sad to announce to you that on March 3rd 2021 we fell victim to a highly-intricate scam which would ultimately drain our entire chequing account of \$13,050. We are a small society and so for us this is a big blow.

It is with deep regret that we inform you of this because we recognize that these funds have come from your generosity and kind support. Further investigation is being made into whether or not the funds can be recovered. Thus far the recovery looks doubtful but we will keep you all updated with how things progress.

Though this is sad news, we also want to share with you the hope we have. It is our conviction that this is God's ministry and we are convinced that He is able to provide for all our needs. The same God who has brought us through many difficult times before can bring us through this time as well!

God has blessed us already. Through the kindness of some of our donors and wisdom of some of our board members we are now well positioned to make it through the next month. This will buy us time until we are able to access some of our GICs and continue on with this ministry.

We feel blessed that God has brought us through the initial stages of this trial; however, we will continue to need His support and grace to help us fully recover and get LHM-SAS back on our feet. Please remember us in your prayers, and prayerfully consider how God might be working through you to support us through this so that we might continue to serve Him and His people!

"...we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28 (NIV)

In Christ,

Rev. Mark Rekken

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