HI BOB:

SINCE YOU CALLED AND TOLD ME ABOUT YOU GUYS GENEROUS OFFER, I HAVE BEEN TO SEE MY DOCTOR A COUPLE OF TIMES. HE TELLS ME THAT MY BODY IS IN FAIR SHAPE BUT MY HART IS NOW OPERATING AT 30 TO 40 PER CENT. IT WILL NOT PUMP THE OXYGEN THROUGH MY SYSTEM AND WITH LESS OXYGEN TO MY BRAIN THE LESS MY BRAIN OPERATES. I KNOW THATS NOT SAYING MUCH WHEN IT COMES TO ME BUT I HAVE ALWAYS NEEDED ALL THE HELP I COULD GET. LESS OXYGEN MAKES ME FORGET WHERE I AM AT TIMES AND MY MEMORY IS NOT SO GOOD, NOW DON, T THAT SOUND LIKE A GOOD EXCUSE FOR NOT WRITING TO YOU GUYS SOONER. THATS THE BEST I CÂN COME UP WITH AT THE MOMENT. I THOUGHT OF SOME OTHER ONES BUT I FORGOT THEM.

THE DOCTORS HAVE PUT ME ON THE LIST FOR A HART TRANSPLANT AT 'THE STANFORD HOSPITAL HERE. ONE OF THE BEST FOR THIS TYPE OF OPERATIONS OR SO THEY TELL ME. I THINK ITS THE ONLY ONE IN THE WE HAVE GONE THROUGH SOME OF THE PAPER WORK ALREADY BUT THERE ARE LOTS OF TEST YET TO DO, TO MAKE SURE THE NEW USED HART WILL BE COMPATIBLE WITH MY SYSTEM. THERE IS ALSO A WAITING PERIOD UP TO TWO YEARS. SO IT COULD BE A HURRY UP AND WAIT SITUATION. NOW I KNOW THE PAIN AFTER THE OPERATION WILL BE GREAT BUT THE WORST PAIN I THINK WILL BE I HAVE TO LOOSE 30 POUNDS BEFORE THEY THE FINAL COUNT DOWN. THEY TELL ME THEY WILL NOT WASTE THEIR TIME ARE A NEW USED HART ON A PERSON WHO DOSE NOT EAT RIGHT OR MAINTAIN A PROPER WEIGHT. I WONDER WHY THEY CALLED IT A NEW HART ? ITS USED INS,T. ANYWAY I PUT IN A REQUEST FOR A 24 YEAR OLD MACHO HART. THEY JUST LOOK AT ME KINDA FUNNY. I THINK THEY WILL IGNORE MY REQUEST. I WAS JUST THINKING, WHEN CHRIST COMES BACK AGAIN AND RAISES THE DEAD, DOES HE PUT ALL THE PARTS BACK INTO THE RIGHT BODIES WHERE THEY BELONG BEFORE HE GIVES US A NEW BODY ? SURE WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE A NEW BODY. I WOULD PROBABLE RUIN THAT ONE TO. I HAD RATHER HAVE A HEAVENLY BODY. I UNDERSTAND THEY DON, T WARE OUT. I, LL JUST HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE.

THEY GAVE ME A BOOK ON WHAT I CAN EAT AND WHAT I CAN NOT EAT. ITS ABOUT 6 INCHES THICK. I READ SOME OF IT AND IT LOOKS LIKE THEY USED A WHOLE LOT OF WORDS TO SAY I CAN ONLY EAT ONE CARROT STICK A DAY. I HAVE LOST WEIGHT BEFORE WITHOUT ANY PROBABLE. ABOUT 4 YEARS AGO I LOST 65 POUNDS IN 6 MONTHS OR SO. BUT I WAS WORKING THEN. ITS TOUGH TO LOOSE WEIGHT WHEN ALL I AM SUPPOSE TO DO IS SET AROUND ALL DAY. I GUESS I WILL HAVE TO SPEND MORE TIME IN THE HEALTH BOOK THEY GAVE ME. I HAVEN, T LOST A POUND YET. SPEAKING OF BOOKS, WHEN YOU CALLED ME ABOUT YOUR OFFER I LOOK AROUND FOR A BOOK THAT MIGHT HELP ME UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT YOUR DOCTOR. I CAME ACROSS THIS BOOK. I HOPE YOU WILL BE INTERESTED ENOUGH TO READ SOME OF IT.

SO I GUESS I WILL STAY AROUND HERE AND HOPE THEY CAN FINED ME A HART. WILL A FEMALE HART WORK IN THE PLACE OF A MALE HART? I MUST ASK THE DOCTOR ABOUT THAT.

LINDA AND I DO WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR OFFER AND HELP. YOU WILL NEVER KNOW HOW MUCH IT HAS MEANT TO US. I THANK THE ONLY THING YOU CAN DO FOR US IS PRAY. NEXT WEEK I AM SETTING UP A MEETING WITH OUR PASTOR TO SEE IF WE CAN HAVE A HEALING PRAYER MEETING WITH ALL THE DEACONS. I KNOW GOD CAN DO ANY THING HE WANTS. I HOPE HE WANTS TO HEAL ME. I, LL LET YOU KNOW HOW IT TURNS OUT, OR MAYBE LINDA.

BOB, I KNOW THAT LINDA AND I CAN NEVER THANK YOU ENOUGH FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR US IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. I DON, T KNOW HOW WE CAN AT THIS TIME BUT MAYBE THINGS WILL IMPROVE. WHO KNOWS! YOU SAID SOMETHING ABOUT COMING OUT HERE FOR A FEW DAYS. I WISH YOU WOULD. YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME IN OUR HOUSE. WE HAVE TWO SPARE BEDROOMS, AND I AM FREE TO MEET YOU AT ANY AIRPORT. IF YOU COME, WE WILL GO SEE TOMMY. ITS ABOUT TIME I BECAME REACQUAINTED WITH MY BROTHER I GUESS. ANYWAY. IF YOU WANT TO COME I SHOULD BE ABLE TO SPEND MY TIME WITH YOU.

I SENT THE BOOK AND WROTE A LETTER TO LORENE AND JOYCE AND TRIED TO SAY THANKS. I HOPE THEY UNDERSTAND HOW MUCH YOUR OFFER MEANS TO LINDA AND I. AGAIN, THANKS FOR EVERY THING.

WITH OUR LOVE AND APPRECIATION
CHUCK AND LINDA