

Support and Care For Jim Coons and Family

Many of you probably heard this announcement on Sunday (Feb. 15th). For those who haven't heard, pastor Jim Coons had been experiencing some intestinal issues during the past few months. During a colonoscopy last Thursday, a tumor was discovered. A biopsy has confirmed that the tumor is cancerous. Jim faces several tests this week, and surgery to remove the tumor is scheduled for Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at 1pm.

There is a team to help manage the love and support for Jim and Emily. The team consists of Ann Dickman, Coleen Peterson, Laura Cootsona, and Lynne Duncan. You can also contact Jaclyn Mattson in the church office.

A Carepage has been developed for Jim and Emily to share updates with our congregation as well as a way for you to share prayers and support to Jim and Emily.

The address is www.carepages.com. There will be a link on Bidwell's web site (Home Page) as well. Our address is www.bidwellpres.org.

If you are already a member of Carepages, your login and password should be applicable for Jim's carepage (skip to step 8).

If you are not currently a member of Carepages, please follow steps 1-7 below:

1. go to www.carepages.com
2. Click on the link "Become a Member" (left-hand side of page)
3. Complete the "About You" fields
4. Create a Login and Password
5. Read and accept the Terms and Conditions
6. Click the "Sign Up" button.
7. Your signup will be complete and you will be sent to a new page called "My Dashboard". This page will give you information on how to use Carepages as well as an opportunity for you to add information about you under "My Profile".
8. Once registered and logged in, type in **supportjim** in the search field and click "Find" This will take you to a "here's what we found for you" page with three search results.
9. Jim's carepage is listed in the Carepages website section. Click on **SupportJim**.
10. This will take you to his Carepage where you can read the updates posted by Jim and/or Emily. You can also post messages to Jim and Emily.

As Jim and/or Emily post updates, Carepages will notify you via email and will provide a link which will take you directly to Jim's Carepage. You will still need to log in with your email and password before his care page will open, but you won't have to search for his page. Please remember to hold up Jim Coons, his wife, Emily, and their family in your prayers.