

Hello Jud and Elaine,

Well, I've finally had a few weeks experiencing a little more of a summer pace. Dan and Anders went to Houghton New York for a week to visit my sister and her family and for Anders to attend a soccer camp. So, it was a change of pace just to live with Hillary for a week. We got to spend a little time together – in between her 65 hour work-week schedule (law office by day, Blockbuster by night) and her friend schedule. It is good that the young can survive on a little sleep with the ability to make it up in big doses.

Part of the reason for finally entering a summer pace is that our land development work is in a holding pattern. We have a potential developer looking at developing a partnership with us and he doesn't want us going any further with our architect, engineer etc and he doesn't like the idea of us borrowing money or tying up property. There is a lot about this developer that seems like a God-send. There is no natural connection with us – nothing that we made happen. It seems like he's pretty much in-sync with our land values. His personal values, style etc don't engender much excitement. So, we need to be able to trust that this truly is God-sent and that all of the due-diligence we'll do works out. He's still in the process of crunching his numbers. His interest seems high, but he hasn't made a legal offer. So, I appreciate your prayers for this process and that we'll be patient and "in tune" with God's leading. Oh, and we're also keeping this really quiet.

Being in this "holding pattern" has given me some time to think a little more about other issues – where the Foundation goes with its fund development, distribution etc. One thing I ask you to pray for is our board. I really think that our board needs to step up a little more. We have an opportunity to make some changes when our current board president's 2nd term is completed. I also have been thinking about how I may need to change a little. I've been a bit of a "control freak" in these early days when I knew that certain things just had to be done right. But I need to back off and let the board take over some things that are more fully their responsibility.

The way things are coming together – I know God's people have been praying. Thank you!

Love and blessings!

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