



A Wake Up Call

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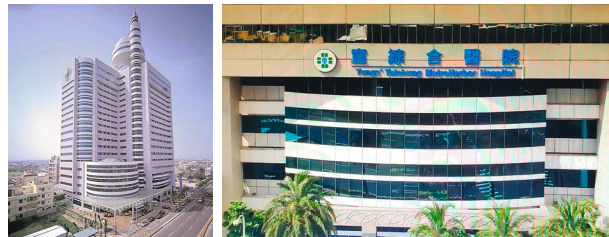
On June 30, 2017, Annette & I reached the 17 Star Diamond Directors. The highest rank ever achieved by any Usana Associate worldwide since Usana was founded 25 years ago. Being recognized with such an accomplishment, we were more in demand by Usana and the associates to help and do training in more parts of the world. In December of 2017, the Vancouver branch manager Carolyn Lee invited Annette and I to share our knowledge with the leaders at the Usana will call center in Richmond, B.C. Canada. As usual, the associates brought their teams and packed up the center to learn from the global top #1 couple associate of Usana, Annette and Victor.

After the presentation, the attendees pushed each other to take a picture with these superstars. Annette fell flat on the floor, fainted for seconds, and woke up with a broken and dangling wrist. I brought Annette to the Richmond General Hospital. The doctor on duty at ER did an X-ray and placed a temporary wrist brace on Annette and told her to come back a couple of days later for more check-ups with the surgeon.

After seeing the surgeon, a couple of times, he operated on Annette's left wrist and placed a key-shaped titanium plate with eight screws attached inside Annette's left wrist. The powerful antibiotics caused C- difficile, and Annette suffered diarrhea big time. The medicine of the west could not cure, and the holistic approach could not heal such diarrhea either. In despite of facing such challenge wearing a diaper to prevent leakage, Annette continued to travel the world promoting Usana and doing our mission support works..

While we were in Manila, our compare Sammy T. Dy, suggested that we go for a complete check-up in Taiwan just as he and mare Esther did. The Taiwan government-supported hospitals were known for up-to-

date modern medical facilities, and all the physicians are USA-trained. So, on June 9, 2018, Annette, and I both checked in for a five-day extensive medical check-up at Tung's Taichung MetroHarbor Hospital.



To my surprise, the medical examination revealed that I had a heart condition with one of my arteries 100% and another 80% clogged. And I needed to be operated on right away. Although Tung's MetroHarbor is very well known for providing one of the world's best patients cares, I preferred to have my surgery done in Vancouver. The doctor warned me that the 14 hours flying back to Vancouver is not a good idea. But since I was only flying to Manila, I decided to have my operation done in a more familiar environment.

On June 18, 2018, I called up my friend Pastor Joseph Shao to have breakfast together and hear my story. Without any delay, Pastor Joseph (I call Ajo) called up Huang Bun Chin. Bun Chin was a very busy businessman and so hard to locate. But he took time off swimming at home that afternoon, so we got hold of him right away.



Pastor Joseph, Bun Chin, and I are all alumni of Hope Christian High School. Bun Chin had experienced heart issues some years ago and had his angioplasty done at St. Luke's

Medical Center, Global City, where Bun Chin is a board member. He suggested that I see Dr. Jose Nicolas M. Cruz, who did the angioplasty for him. Dr. Cruz is the head of the Coronary Department and an interventional Cardiologist.

After talking with Bun Chin, a message popped out of my mind reminding me that my long-time friend and schoolmate Robert F. Kwan was the CEO and president of St. Luke's Medical Center.

In 2016, Robert was the Hope Christian High School Golden Jubilarian Excellence Award recipient, while I got the Alumni Recognition Award for Business. Robert and I reconnected and exchanged our life stories as I have migrated to Canada and while he was building his business empire, including Chow King chain of 140 locations which he later sold them to Tony Tan Cak Tiong of Jollibee. Robert bought shares and became Chair and CEO of St. Luke. Robert also built and supported over 100 churches in the Philippines.

I called up Robert and told him that I needed him to recommend the best doctor to do angioplasty for me. He said sure. Shortly, Dr. Nick Cruz called me back, saying that his boss Robert asked him to call me back and asked when I wanted to see him. Of course, I got an appointment immediately.



The next day on June 20, 2018, Pastor Paul Lee Tan called me from Dallas. He prayed with me and read me Psalm 27, a prayer of David.

On June 21, at 9:00 am, I checked into St. Luke's, and Dr. Nick Cruz performed angioplasty for me at 4 pm. Many pastors and friends were praying for me. Annette waited with Veny Chua outside the operating room, watched over my

medical procedure for hours. They stayed faithfully in prayers for me. Dr. Nick Cruz placed three stents into my arteries, and the 3 hours procedure went very well. That night, I got a room right in front of the nurse station at ICU, and all the nurses provided me 24 hours of special care. I was able to check out the next day.



While I was writing this section of my book and I opened my 2018 diary, I found out that business was as usual in my life. I was meeting my clients, trading the stock market, and having an angioplasty on that same day. How could I explain these happenings? Except it proved to me that **God is in control, and He is merciful to me.**

My son Kendrick who is also in the medical field in the U.S recommended that I see Dr. William Lombardi, a top Board-certified Cardiologist at the University of Washington Medical Center. He is a director of complex coronary artery diseases. He specializes in Chronic total Occlusion (CTO) and Percutaneous Coronary Intervention.

So, upon coming home, Annette drove with me down to Seattle Washington, to see Dr. Lombardi. Dr. Lombardi reviewed my medical report, checked on me and told me that what Dr. Nick Cruz had done for me was what he would have precisely done for me.

A few months later, after my surgery, Bun Chin was in a car accident, and God took him home. In early 2019, I also received news that Robert Kwan had moved his address to be with our Lord. These consecutively happenings and events keep me thinking that **God must have something in-stored for me.**

Dr. Graham Wong of VGH continues to monitor my progress. Dietician Karen Tyldesley, Case Manager Nikki Davis, and fitness Instructor Ivan Dragelj of Vancouver Coastal Health helped me completed my cardiovascular health

rehab programs. My personal physician, Dr. Hilary Hui, kept me in good shape. I thank them all for all their kindness in keeping me healthy. Nowadays, I walk the treadmill or in the park near my house with Annette, rain, or shine.

I have attained 76 long years of my earthly living, with all the pains and joys, the ups and downs of human toils and tales. Deep inside me, I am strongly convicted that God spares my life for a reason. God has sent me this timely wake-up call for such a time like this! The very least I could do is to write a simple life testimony or a brief autobiography to honor His name and help the now and younger generations **revere God for Who He is!**

I was Blind, but now I see

In 2016 I saw an opportunity to build a Senior Care Medical Center in Richmond. The Care Home is a Unique high quality ahead of its time facility of Healthy Living. It features 24/7 Nurse care with three organic gourmet meals and two snacks. Housekeeping, Laundry service Included. A private car with a chauffeur is available on request. Travel companion with nursing service. Shopping and wrapper gift services. Chapel for Sunday Worship with Pastors. Weekly Bible classes and Health

Seminar An on-call doctor & dentist is also available. The location has Bus Stop and is a few steps to Canada Line that access downtown Surrey, Coquitlam, and most parts of Metro Vancouver. Connected to the property is the 40 acres (16 Hectares), Minoru Park, for residents to walk, exercise, and get fresh air.

I have spent so much time, energy, and money, and this project was ready to go, but God did not give it to me. I could not understand why.

As I look back, I found out:

1. A key tenant got into a situation that cannot push through with their rental plan and yet could not frankly tell me so.
2. God was protecting me from significant financial loss.
3. Healthwise, it is too much for me to handle such a project with my heart issue.
4. Unexpected Covid 19 will kill the room rental.

I did not understand why. I was too preoccupied with making money. But now I see how God has protected and surrounded me with His love & mercy.

