Dear friends,

THANK YOU so much for your prayers, texts, emails, and cards. My heart is full to overflowing.

My surgery went very well. The Lord provided great a great staff of nurses, doctors, techs, etc. In fact, as I was being prepped for surgery the OR nurse came over and quietly told me that if something similar was being done to someone he loved, he would chose my surgeon. It gave me even more piece of mind, heart, and spirit.

I did end up staying in the hospital overnight as the hysterectomy was done primarily laparoscopically, but also with a C-section size incision. The first night was hard, but medicine is good! My mom stayed with me overnight, and I was home by late afternoon the second day.

I'm healing slowly but surely without any complications. Every day I sleep less and feel stronger 🚱



This week is a week of holidays in the US and in Czech Republic. The picture above is from Lidl, a very popular grocery store in Europe. Every year they have American Week right around the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The food doesn't look particularly American, but the maple syrup, peanut butter, and hamburger are!

Today is Cyril and Methodius Day in which Czechs honor them as the first missionaries from Greece. Tomorrow is a national holiday honor John Huss (in Czech Jan Hus), one of the first reformers. He was burned at the stake in 1415. Czech Republic has a very rich Christian culture. Pray that people would want to know Jesus personally today – not just as another religious figure.

We don't have tickets to Prague yet, but we are hoping to work on that this week. Evan's school starts August 23, and we are looking at arriving August 16 or 17. We have been advised to start with an Airbnb for a month to help us get the lay of the land and have more than a day or two to rent an apartment. Please keep praying for these things.

Thank you again!

With great love, Miriam and Evan