

Shepherd to Sheep  
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## The Shepherd needs his back fixed!

***“Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day.” ~2 Corinthians 4:16***

**I will not be here on Sundays for a few weeks. Our very capable Pastor's Clayton Y. and Elias S. will fill the pulpit, as we preachers say. My back has developed a condition called “Spinal Stenosis”, the narrowing of the spinal canal and the spinal cord and the nerve roots get squeezed. This has been ongoing for 2 years and is a progressive condition. My surgeon Dr. Jeffrey J. Lee says he, Lord willing, can fix it. The operation is scheduled for Thursday, November 5 at Pali Momi and I will be 3-4 days in the hospital. I will have to stay down for a few weeks to let the bone grafts heal. The overall recovery is 3-4 months. I will be back as soon as possible, because I'll miss you. The doctor says I'll surf again, so by God's Grace, the outer man can slow down perishing and I can complete my life work here at CCCO.**

**Pray for Dr. Lee and the Surgery and Recovery. Also, that my inward man is growing and being renewed day to day. Jesus will always be faithful to His sheep, John 10, and I am just a sheep that has been privileged to be your Shepherd. Keep growing and keep your eyes on Jesus...He is Coming Soon! See you here, there, or in the Air!**

**For the Lamb of God and His Saints, Pastor Rick**