

As a dialysis patient, each week, each month and each year we are able to enjoy life through dialysis.

Some of the centers are located close to home. Home for us is Franklin, North Carolina during the summer and fall months. Our closest center is located in Sylva. Along with approximately 30 other patients, we make the trip over Cowee Mountain three times each week. There are times when it is dark and foggy. There are times of pouring rain when it makes it treacherous to travel. Our spouses go with us. For four to five hours, our spouses are left alone, waiting for us. During that time, they are spending money in restaurants, grocery stores, gas stations, etc. This is money not spent in Franklin. With so many people coming from Franklin, it shows that we need our own center.

We have been making this trip for six years and plan to make it at least six more years.

I am highly in favor of supporting the need for this center. Until you walk in our shoes, it might be hard to understand this task that we do. We thank the Mighty Lord for having centers for us. We need your support to make this happen.

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