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In a blizzard

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praying it was the day my “miracle” happened. They had been praying for my family’s financial well being but the favor came in a different way.

I have two little boys. My oldest who is now almost 9 was 4 at the time. He had been sick and was running a high fever. I decided I needed to take him to our pediatrician’s office, which is 20 minutes away. There was a very bad snow storm. We started down a major highway and about half way there my son, who was sitting directly behind me in his car seat, began to have a seizure. I had never seen or heard of a febrile seizure before so I had no idea what was happening.

He was screaming and convulsing. I began screaming and trying to reach him. There were cars on each side of me and I know I wasn’t paying attention to where I was steering. I

was just trying to reach my son. He fell unconscious and I thought he had died. I grabbed my cell phone which I knew was completely out of battery power but I dialed 911 anyway. The call went through and I stayed connected to 911 for 20 minutes. Many cell phones do save a charge for an emergency call but I don't think they are meant to last that long.

I continued down the highway, screaming, trying to reach my son, talking on the cell phone and swerving all over on a snow covered highway. It is still a bit fuzzy but I know there were cars all around us and somehow we didn't hit anyone. I was able to get to where the ambulance could meet me safely.

Febrile seizures are not serious but I didn't know that at the time. I'm convinced it was Bishop Alvaro who helped me get to where I needed to

safely. My son was fine and we went home later that day.

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