***Note for Earthquake Symbolism***

* I was *shaken*
* The *cracks appeared*
* My life *lay in rubble*
* Pathogens *looted* my weakness.
* Part 1 = Septicemia was the *main shock*. CMV, fungal infection, fluid overload, pneumonia – the *aftershocks* (use early). Part 2 = Maybe the fungal infection was the *main shock* (use after Westmead arrival and cat scan set-back).
* The infections were *boulders*. They *fell from the sky*.
* The infection were superimposing.
* It *dampened* the *shaking* (when I place hands under legs i.e. with Kerridge).
* The floor had *liquefied*. (Use when paralysed)
* My condition had *deteriorated* throughout the day (progression of paralysis)
* My thoughts were *scattered*.
* My enthusiasm for life *dampened*. My desire *attenuated*.
* It was a *rescue party*? (use in Chapter 4 – after code blue)
* There was *no-access* (use after failed lumbar puncture).
* The weight of a *mountain* on my shoulders.
* My grip on life had *slipped*.
* It was *uplifting* (use in a positive moment)
* My resolve had *subsided* (use in a negative moment)
* There was a problem with my *design standard* (use with diagnosis)
* The *risk* of relapse was high.
* It was a biological *hazard* (use with chemo spill)
* There was *steep terrain* to overcome.
* …..came like a *flood*
* There was a *vertical offset* in front of me.
* I was *buried* with worry. *Buried alive*!
* The complications were *dominoes* - *toppling* one after another
* My *internal reinforcement* was *failing*.
* I was *sliding*. A *landslide*!
* My *resolve* had *buckled*.
* The room was *shaking*. Perhaps a *seismometer* *recorded* it.
* The *vibration*. *Resonation*? (use when feel heart pounding – Mark in hospital)
* The *foundations* were *crumbling*
* She was the foundation of my recovery
* The *structure* had *failed*.
* I *focused* my *energy*.
* The *epicenter* of my diagnosis was found (on the Ph+ve)
* I was *leaning* on her (reference to reliance on Kavitha)
* I had *collapsed* (use after fall)
* I took her *shelter* in her love (reference to Kavitha’s support)
* I *lay in ruin* (in ICU)
* My thoughts were *mangled* (use at point of confusion)
* My *facade* and …… were at odds (reference to my outward attitude and what I felt inside)
* Life was *slipping* away
* I was *dammed* (miss-spelling deliberate i.e. reference to rive damming in Sichuan)
* My resolve *floundered*
* My heart *accelerated*
* The attacks came in *waves*. I was *unstable*.
* My *response* was *floored* (deliberate miss-spelling) (reference to failure of panadol to hold me fever free after BMT)