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DALLAS—The lone survivor of a drive-by shooting in Mosul, Iraq that killed four Southern Baptist humanitarian aid workers is recovering in a Dallas-area hospital.

Carrie "Niki" McDonnall of Rowlett was transported to Dallas from a German hospital March 20. She underwent surgery March 24 for nerve and skin grafts on her left hand and will begin physical therapy soon, said family spokesman Van Payne.

Carrie McDonnall
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Her doctors are "very pleased" with her progress and moved her to a private room that same day, earlier than they had expected, Payne said.

McDonnall is speaking with family members who are with her at the hospital and sent a note to her husband's funeral.

Payne noted the family's appreciation for prayers and expressions of support received from people around the world.

Unidentified attackers opened fire March 15 on McDonnall, her husband and three other Southern Baptist International Mission Board workers who were researching possible humanitarian aid projects.

McDonnall was wounded in her chest, face, arms and legs, said Mark Kelly, an IMB spokesman. Bones in her right arm and leg that were shattered in the attack appear to be healing. She lost most of three fingers on her left hand.

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