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We wish you a very Merry Christmas!



Our trip to Israel in 2010 took us to Bethlehem. Certainly did not enjoy the supposed birthplace of Jesus under the "Church of the Nativity." Our group met in a nearby cave and had a service there. In the 2nd century, Justin Martyr stated that Jesus had been born in a cave outside the town.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Helga and I are both doing "fair to midling." Helga will probably have a foot operation pending. Otherwise she is doing okay, with fatigue getting the better of her at times. My open-heart op for a clot problem and then a spinal op to drain a cyst were a little rough on this "earthly tabernacle." Subsequently, 5 weeks of radiation to treat the tumor. I am now pending an MRI in Feb to see how the tumor is responding to the radiation. We enjoy our church but our eyes are looking upward for the trumpet and the Lord to take us home in the rapture. "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

Getting a little tired of "happy holidays." Try to remember to respond with "Merry Christmas." There are no "happy holidays," without Jesus, the "reason for the season." The more the world messes with basic Christian concepts, the less happiness there will be. So, Merry Christmas and may the Lord bless you richly in 2022! Surely we will meet old friends when we get to the other side!