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Merry Christmas from a very wintry Wisconsin! The snow outside is beautiful − looks like we'll be having a white Christmas here ©

I rejoice in another great month of God's working and provision! My travel schedule has been fairly light since Thanksgiving, allowing me further opportunities to work in other areas of ministry. I am currently still working on my schedule for next year, particularly for the fall. The Lord continues to provide along those lines.

I have also been able to spend a little more time working with music – doing some arranging/writing, etc. I have also been able to get a soprano saxophone, which I've enjoyed putting to work! Lord willing, I'll be playing it this coming Sunday morning at a church in Whitewater, WI. A friend and I are also going to a nursing home in town this coming Monday to play some Christmas music for the residents there. Please pray for continued opportunities for ministry.

I am still waiting for my book to come in. I certainly apologize for the delay. The printing set-up/process has taken longer than anticipated. I am told that it should be in after Christmas. I will let you know! Just another chance to wait on the Lord! I had a great time last week helping out Heritage Baptist Church of Roscoe, IL with their "Journey to Bethlehem." It was a great weekend! Many people from the community came out – close to 700 people visited between the two nights in spite of the wintry weather! We praise the Lord for the outreach opportunity – the Gospel was presented and we pray the Lord will continue to work in hearts.

Again, I thank you for your continued prayers, support and encouragement! You are all such a blessing to me! May you have a wonderful Christmas with your family and friends!

For Christ Alone, Melissa Carlson Jer. 32:27

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