

ELWOOD AND DORIS HURST



Dear Precious Friends and Lifeline Holders,

Our prayer is that you are more than surviving the challenges of the year 2020, and you will be blessed as you celebrate the incarnation of our blessed Savior. We are so thankful for the unworthy blessings of being members of the body of Christ.

This event brings to the earth the greatest blessing that a person can enjoy. In this season, we enjoy exchanging material gifts, and it is a blessing to give and receive. However, if we could bestow all the riches of this world and miss the true reason for our observance of the incarnation of Jesus Christ, we would miss the GREATEST GIFT.

The greatest Gift of all is the Person of Jesus Christ. By Him, we have freedom from the penalty of sin. By Him, we have eternal life. By Him, we will never spend a second in hell where we belong. By Him, we have the sweetest friendships and the largest family in the world, called the CHURCH!

Another of the greatest gifts also came to us from God and gives us knowledge and the will of God. He has preserved it for centuries upon centuries without any error. He has even given us a perfect translation of His Word. He has used it to let us sinners know what His will is for us, what He expects of us, and what the future holds for us. Best of all, He tells us how to be right with Him and how we can spend eternity with Him. He loves us, and His Word tells us so. Some have tried to take that away from us by changing and distorting the message, but He will not allow the smallest character to fail, much less the truth of His Word. Yes, this is part of God's great gift to us sinners.

Dear friends, I hope you don't mind a bit of "preaching" in my prayer letter. It is just so amazing to this old man why a holy God would care to love sinners like us and give His love to us without work or price. WHAT A GIFT!

As for our work and condition, we are still in about the same situation. Doris' condition is typical of Alzheimer's progress. There are no huge changes on a daily basis, but over the weeks and months the disease does take its toll. Doris' needs are about 98%. We work diligently to keep her fed, clean, rested, and loved. Some days she has problems responding to our instructions, and sometimes a question only brings a stare. Again, we are so very thankful that hers is not the violent type. In fact, she still has her smile. As for conversation, two or three words verbally would be an answer. I am very thankful for that. It is good to know what her preferences are for food or her programs on the Roku. She no longer reads and barely writes.

Thank you each for your faithful support and prayers. I do not have the words to express our gratitude for your friendship, prayers, and support. We are keenly aware of the blessing you are to our survival spiritually. Jesus promised that He would never leave us, and He faithfully answers your prayers and gives us the grace to keep on going.

Our prayer is that you each have a blessed time of honoring our Great God and Savior Jesus Christ during these days of remembering His incarnation. Our prayers are for you also that God will bless you and make His presence and power known through these trying days. God, please bless each one of these as they faithfully serve You.

Because of Christ,

Elwood and Doris Hurst



Unto us a child is born,
Unto us a son is given ...

Isaiah 9:6