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Dear precious friends,

It is our prayer that this letter finds you all enjoying the very best of our Lord's blessings. We are so thankful for brothers and sisters who stand with us so faithfully. Your support in Christian love, prayers, and materially are our lifeline. It is greatly appreciated. You are God's vessels for our survival.

Again, I would that I could report many souls saved and much labor done in our work. However, as we have stated many times, I have the responsibility of caring for the one that God gave me the responsibility to love and care for. By the good grace of God, I can report much work. It is only by the grace of God and the love He supplies that we are able.

Since our last communications, we have had some incidents for both of us. Doris has been raised to a higher rating by the hospice service. There have been some times of tension when it seemed that we were nearing the final one.

Doris is following the steps and evidence of Alzheimer's. She sometimes refuses to eat or drink for a whole day. Her sleep time has increased considerably. I still get some smiles, which helps considerably in lifting the load. In fact, that is about all the communications we have anymore. She still understands most of the communications, but she very rarely speaks a word. She has lost a lot of weight, which lightens my load some. She still enjoys preaching and good music. That is a blessing!

Elwood is still doing pretty good for 87 years of age by the good grace of God. I have a bit of issues with my knees, mostly from wear. They have walked many miles and carried a good bit of weight. I thank God for His grace and the measure of health He has blessed me with. I am thankful for some help from the hospice service.

It is a real blessing and encouragement to hear from folks that we have served with or ministered in their lives.

One of those blessings came in a social network message last week. A young man that we knew through his father in Guam contacted us. We were blessed to see his father trust Jesus as Savior. His father was terminally ill, and this young man was five years old. His father died, and we were able to connect him with another Christian family. He is now a sergeant in the Marine Corps. In his message, he expressed gratitude for our help and stated that if it were not for us, he did not know where he would be. There have been others who call us or communicate otherwise. When we follow God's leading, He can bless us with fruit that glorifies Him and gives us great joy. Praise His precious Name.

Please continue in prayer for both of us. Pray for me as I labor in caring for Doris and take care of the regular responsibilities.

Wherever God puts us to labor, we want it to bring glory to our Lord and Savior. Again, we sincerely appreciate your prayer and support and will continue in prayer daily for you all that God will grant much fruit in your work.

Because of Christ,

Elwood and Doris Hurst