



Praise/Prayer letter

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NTM Homes

Dear Praying Friends,

This is a busy time for everyone during Thanksgiving and Christmas. We visit family and friends, keep working, shopping, etc. We could get stressed out if we're not careful. We still need to "Be still..." and remember the meaning of these seasons. Let's remember to keep Christ in our Christmas shopping, visiting, and make time for Him. He's our only peace; our only Hope; He knows all; He's a mighty God who loves and cares for us.

I appreciate you so much. Trust you enjoy the tracts and calendar, etc. It can be a reminder to pray. The work here at The Homes is going well. Some of our residents have gone home to be with the Lord this year, while others have moved away with their families to be closer to them. Some of the Independent retirees living in the apartments on the property have had to move up to the Latham Center which includes the Assisted Living Facility. You'll have to come for a visit to understand what I mean. ☺ Some of these retirees need more assistance with their everyday needs. This frees them from having to do their laundry, making meals, and cleaning their house.

Life is unpredictable. I'm glad the Lord doesn't change. "He will never leave us nor forsake us."

PRAISE/PRAAYER:

- I've had my epidural injections and my leg is doing well. My back is coming along day by day. The back gives me some discomfort so I need to be careful.
- My Dad had his skin cancer surgery and he's doing well. I was up to NH at this time to take him to the hospital. Mom is doing well. We had a visit to the doctor to take care of some of her needs while I was there.
- Dora, Jonathan's wife, graduates from the NTM language school on Dec. 19th. I plan to take a trip to NC and MO by car to be with the family for Christmas. Elisabeth will soon be heading to North Asia sometime in February 2009.
- James, Nicky & the children are making their way up to the Da'an area, the interior of Indonesia. Their communication by email, etc. may be limited. They aren't sure yet. They plan on Christmas with the people in the tribal areas.
- Jason finishes his classes at the community college in December. Pray for his future plans.

Thanks so much for your prayers and giving. Have a special Christmas with your family and friends.

We love, because He first loved us.

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