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"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High: To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night..." (Psalm 92:1,2)

Thanksgiving Day is over...or is it? The official day—with church praise services, time off from work for most of us, the gathering of family and friends, a lot of great food—is done for 2018. But for the Christian, every day should be a day of thanksgiving for the blessings and mercies we have received.

I have experienced several blessings recently in answer to your prayers.

- —The trip to Oakland, California went well. My physical therapy sessions prepared me to walk down plane aisles using seat backs to get to my seat. Manor Baptist Church was my base for this three-church missions conference. It was great to see Pastor Joe and Gena Carruthers again. They and the church family graciously provided housing, rides to the other churches, and plenty to eat. I had opportunities to talk to young adults, present the clinic ministry in three churches and spend time with the church families.
- —I have some weakness in one hand with tingling in a couple of fingers, a common problem (and reversible) in people who use walkers. It was a joy and answer to prayer to discover that I could still play the piano, and a privilege to play for the services at Manor Baptist the Sunday before I left.
- —My sister came to California for a few days of vacation. This did not go the way we had planned before my accident, but we still had a lot of fun. We were also aware of the fires that destroyed Paradise as we smelled smoke and saw the haze. Our needs to change return flights seemed small in comparison.
- —The x-rays in mid-November showed healing at the fracture site. That is an answer to prayer!
- —This week my physical therapist told me I am ahead of schedule, and I can now drive. His comment was a great encouragement to me as progress has sometimes seemed slow.

Praise Although most of my fall schedule was cancelled, I was able to report to a church at the end of October and a women's group in November.

I needed to replace my old vehicle. A friend did all the work, and I am now looking forward to driving a very comfortable car.

I am grateful for all the meals, cards and kind words that have come from fellow believers, especially the members of my home church.

There has been time to study, but too often my brain has seemed a bit foggy. That is clearing (maybe because of lots of turkey last week!), and it is time to get back to working on continuing medical education.

Projects Any new projects are on hold until I return to Haiti.

Prayer My return to Haiti will not take place until both the surgeon and the therapists give me clearance. It may be the end of January, or even February, before that happens.

There was much unrest in Haiti last week. The information I received was that there was a lot of rock throwing and some gunfire, and a few people died. Businesses are finally opening again, but it sounds like there could be more disturbances.

Please pray for the family of Pastor Saintil in Cap Haitien. He has worked with Missionary Flights for years, meeting the planes and getting outbound passengers cleared. He preached in his church last week, went home, didn't feel well...and was in the presence of his Saviour.

Every morning we awake to God's compassions, new each day for the new day we face. Each evening we can look back and see how God has been unfailingly faithful throughout the day. Let us be thankful!

In our Lord's service,

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