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Dear Beloved Family & Friends,



The lyrics and this song have great meaning to us this year!

I Have Been Blessed

When He moves among us
all that He does,
All of His mercy and
all of His love,
And the pen of the writer
could write every day,
Even this world
could never contain
How I've been blessed.

The warmth in winter,
the flowers in spring,
The laughter in summer,
and the changing of leaves:
The food on my table,
a good place to sleep,

Clothes on my back,
and shoes on my feet.
I have been blessed.

Chorus:

I have been blessed
God's so good to me;
Precious are His thoughts of you and me.
No way I could count them
there's not enough time,
So I'll just thank Him for being so kind;
God has been good, so good!
I have been blessed!

Arms that will raise, a voice that can talk,
Hands that can touch, and legs that can walk,
Ears that can listen, eyes that can see,
Oh I've got to praise Him as long as I breathe!
I have been blessed.

Chorus.

A father and mother who nurtured and raised,
A brother and sister memories made,
Our pastor to lead us the altar to pray,
Stripes that can heal the blood that can save!
I have been blessed. (Chorus).



You cannot out-wait God, "Every good thing *within the will of God* yields to patience."

We live in a country, the greatest on earth;
Our flag stands for freedom and what it is worth.
She stands in the harbor Miss Liberty calls,
All have gave some, but some have gave all
For me to be blessed.

Chorus.

He's my shoulder to lean on when I am down,
The rock where He leads me when I'm overwhelmed,
The place where He hides me under His wings,
He's not just a song, He's the reason I sing!
I have been blessed.

Chorus

The Clark Family Sings it here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SeY5PPIn_mY



Marriage Conference-30th Anniv 8/13/18



How I Have Been Blessed!

Our family has been recipients of the riches of Christ Jesus. We are most grateful. This year we have watched two sons take almost full responsibility for the carpet cleaning. We have learned much from our Pastors and church Life Groups and services. We have watched also a new addition added to our church. We have seen CT countryside in bike excursions, camping retreat facilities in hiking trips and overnights with our "Aunt Vicki" in NH. We have seen Joseph travel across the country for weddings. David ran in local events. We have seen Mary Davis return from Haiti reporting the salvation of hundreds of citizens making professions of faith in Christ. We are preparing to send many Creole Bibles to help disciple them as Mary conducts soul-winning seminars in church groups all over Central and Western Haiti.

Glory Carpet Cleaning is getting busier after a long-time associate Marcel has retired and closed his carpet cleaning business. He has referred his clients to us. We also clean our church carpet.

Truth Baptist Church is growing and we have successfully enclosed a generous expansion of the Auditorium of 40 feet. While that happened we were able to purchase land adjoining our property for more required parking space. At this time Truth Baptist is mourning the passing of Sara Prigge, wife of our 3rd Assistant Pastor for 10 years past, Chad Prigge. They reside in Watertown, WI. Your prayers for his big family in losing her earthly presence is more than appreciated- it is strengthening to them all!

SNIPPETS of Family News Bits

Joseph Our son has become a cell phone Photographer *par excellence*. Using it, he specializes in sunrise/sunset scenery [<https://www.facebook.com/Joseph-Lanyon>] and diligently keeps every moment filled with fruitful ministry. He provides rides for car-less church friends, helps with the teen ministry, drives the carpet cleaning truck full time weekdays, cleans with our family three evenings and week-ends. Therefore we gladly give him leave to travel far and wide to weddings in California, in the mid-west, and a week-long camp in Rhode Island. His friends are loyal and praising his character as well as our cleaning clients and Pastoral staff. Noble cannot really begin to describe his life and we are, indeed, BLESSED by him!

David is so cooperative with us and his own brother that we couldn't imagine a firstborn as significant either. He is always helping others free of charge and going the second mile to 'wow' things they ask him to do. He works hard with Joseph together on the truck and they even go do extra things together on special trips like going on a hike or bike excursion. Any electronic devise not functioning properly he knows how to fix it efficiently and economically by giving a spare part from his computer/electronic collection.

Christine is the sweet oil that makes our home flow smoothly down the road of life. To list her works and benefits would take more words that this newsletter has space to include. She graciously deals with the health issues being faced now for the best part of our 60s pathway. She reminds virtually everyone of their birthday or anniversary in church not to mention a host of others who must be mailed to do so. She teaches 1 st &-2 nd graders who absolutely

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love her style on Sundays and VBS 2&3 year-olds. Checks are deposited and taxes are kept accurately and early for our accountant. She cooks every meal for the family! She visits ladies in a ministry to the infirmed.

Pat has rejoiced to see a few residents edified in his nursing home ministry, including recently a professed salvation of one lady named Cynthia. He attends every week, and Chris joins him every first week of the month now for over 30 years. He teaches American History and Constitution and relates it all to the Bible. He manages a website for Chris' sister Mary Davis. He is planning for an immediate 2019 retirement while still working as overseer though David & Joseph do most of the carpet cleaning. Pat is also taking some free seminary courses, studying natural dietary solutions to health problems, and visiting past nursing home residents now in other parts of the state.

Seminars on Soul Winning- Haiti

Since 2014, Mary Davis has ministered in Haiti with a Pastor who had her same vision for souls. She has, in all the days there, lead more than 1000+ to the Lord personally. She was so excited last time she came because there is a need of a couple to come serve alongside her, and she invites you to pray about it! You can read texts she send to Pat at our site: <http://aprayernotebook.net/each1helps1>. We look forward to hearing a report soon for September– December ministry time there.

Anticipation of Christ's Kingdom

1. Christ told us to eagerly expect His soon coming: something the Apostle Paul longed for (1 Thessalonians 1,2,3,4,5 – conclusion of each chapter!) Rev. 22:20 “He who testifies to these things says, ‘Surely I am coming quickly.’ Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!”
2. It is part of the Lord's Prayer (Principle 2) : “May Your Kingdom Come” Anticipating it purifies the soul (Tit 2:13-14 “looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works”).
3. Preparing for it requires us to labor diligently as an “occupation.” (Luke 19:11b-13 “...they thought the kingdom of God would appear immediately. Therefore He said: ‘A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return. So he called ten of his servants, delivered to them ten minas, and said to them, ‘Do business till I come.’”
4. It requires Discipling others. (Matthew 28:19) “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations...”
5. People cannot see God's Kingdom without entering by Christ's salvation. (Luke 19:13 “unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.”)

We are so happy to get news from many of you each year. We often regret there just is not more time to visit or write each one of you when they arrive. Our hope is for the *timeless* Heaven to fulfill those desires. Until then and expanded then we say: **“Psa 73:25-26 Whom have I in heaven but You? And there is none upon earth that I desire besides You. My flesh and my heart fail; But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.”**

With loving wishes for the best of life for you and yours,

Pat, Christine, David & Joseph

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