

Happy Thanksgiving!!!

It's such a lovely time of year! We trust that you are enjoying family and remembering all of God's abundant blessings! We are SO **thankful** for you! I know it's been a very long time since you've heard from us and we are SO blessed to have you, faithfully in our lives!

I've had some thoughts and challenges lately **on being thankful**. The other day, as we were driving home from the pain clinic; I was trying to deal with my disappointment that the pain shot I'd just had in my hip was obviously not going to help. It struck me that, even though I wasn't "feelin it" --- I needed to voice my **THANKFULNESS**. This whole pain journey I've been on for so many years is a constant challenge for me to "keep it real"!!! This awful hip pain started a couple of weeks ago, about the time I had a pain shot for the knife like pain in the middle area of my back --- it was becoming more debilitating. We are SO**thankful** that the shot has calmed that severe pain, even though it's temporary! And now THIS! And, I'm to be **thankful**! Verses like these came to my mind --- **1Thes 5:18 ".....be thankful in all circumstances; for this is the will of God!" and (1Thes 5:18) --- "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His mercies endure forever" (1Chron16:34)**. Sometimes it's not easy and, right now, God is giving us some new ways to practice this "discipline" of the Christian walk. And it IS a discipline! These verses slide off our tongue so easily, don't they?! They are so familiar --- and THAT'S where the rubber meets the road, isn't it?! When we're in the middle of it we have to hang on to them --- recite them and choose to BELIEVE them! I think that's where true **thankfulness is**! Sometimes it's a choice --- an act of obedience! We don't know what the future is! I have doctor's appointments lined up --- but. we will be **thankful**!

Tomorrow we will have ALL of our children, grandchildren and great grands all together down at Todd's place --- which is about 20 min. away! What a miracle, straight from the loving hand of God! We continue to be **VERY thankful** that we are living on the MTC campus! Paul walks to his office and enjoys the interaction with students and staff and being a part of the leadership team here. He takes on projects for them that require research and time --- "history" helps many times also. Paul's health is good. Today he had a scan taken of all the lymph areas, as it's been one year since he finished his chemo treatments. We have no reason to think there are any problems, but he goes to the Dr. next week to hear the results. It's wonderful being right near Starr and Matt as they are a huge help to us. Matt and Paul spend hours together discussing leadership and ongoing situations. **Thank you for being our co-workers! Thank you** for standing with us so faithfully, financially and in prayers! We appreciate you beyond words!

Because God's mercies are new every morning!

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