



Merry Christmas 2011 From Travers

What a year! The ministry has flourished and our personal lives blessed. The reason? The reason we celebrate Christmas! Jesus is awesome and He makes life victorious!

The ministry has truly seen a year of increase – financially and otherwise. Our connection with Charis Bible College has blessed us in so many ways. We were invited to teach at the college this fall to a hundred 3rd year Bible students here in Colorado Springs. (We had been believing for God to open a door there for some time). We also have acquired the use of the Sanctuary Lodge that is a beautiful 2 million dollar facility, owned by Andrew Wommack's ministry in Woodland Park, CO. We held retreats every other month there all year and have them scheduled through next year also..

We again did our annual Ozark and Rocky Mountain Retreats and also did several weekend meetings in the Kansas City area, San Antonio, Chattanooga, Myrtle Beach., and Basalt, CO. We spent two wonderful weeks in Hawaii. One week in Honolulu doing ministry at two different places and another week of vacation fun in Kauai.. We also went back to Mexico in March. We did some ministry as well as helped out with the grandkids. (Mark and Lori were there for 3 months from Jan.- March. Mark is also over the YWAM base there in Mexico.

On Dec. 2&3 we will be teaching 15 couples that will be coming to Colorado from all over the US how to actually take our materials and teach their own MTM weekend seminar! It will be the fulfillment of a vision we have had to multiply and duplicate our ministry. We are excited about the possibilities.

On the home front, we have had an opportunity to spend some really fun times with both sons and all of our grandkids. (Steve & Trea have 3 and Mark & Lori have 2). We spent time with the Nashville bunch when we were out east doing seminars and they also come to Colorado to ski. We spent a fun vacation in Moab and Arches National Park with the Colorado kids and have also been to their place in Glenwood Springs several times – or have met them in Denver for a fun day. The 2nd week of December it looks like we will be watching their kids while they go on a business trip to Kona, Hawaii. God is good!

The only really bummer this year was that Lauren's Dad died. But, even that was a victory for him – since he is in heaven now! He was 99 ½ and was only in the hospital for a few days. He developed a blood clot. We flew back from Mexico as planned on March 15th and drove to IL and he died on the 18th. We got to say good bye and stayed

with Mom for a few days afterwards. They had been married for 73 years. We all really miss him. Mom is still in their home. My brother and his family are there with her.

Thanksgiving is the week for a big “family get together” in Branson, MO. We have rented a vacation house that sleeps 17 people and our boys and their families, Mom Rediger, Lauren’s brother and family, Lori’s parents, and we will spend almost a week together. Not only celebrating Thanksgiving, but an early Christmas! Of course, Silver Dollar City is the scheduled high light for the kids.

We know this is an early Christmas letter, but December will be a very busy month. We get back from Branson the end of Nov., then we have a house full of guests coming into town before and after the MTM teacher training weekend, then we watch our grandkids from Glenwood, then we go skiing with the Nashville grandkids, then there is Christmas!

We want to take this opportunity to wish all of our ministry friends and all of our relatives a wonderful holiday season. We trust that you will all remember to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas – the birth of Jesus – and that you will walk in peace. We are so thankful for each of you and that God has brought you into our paths. We do trust that you will hold tight to your faith in 2012 and that you will see God’s goodness.

As we always say in our seminars....

Keep Climbing,

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