#### 2/7/2023

Bits Of Home Chat: At last, we are in Florida! We were in VA and the Carolina's for a couple of weeks and they were having a lot of cold and wet weather. So far God led us to several folks who were in need of our lessons and did not know what they were going to use. Bible To You was there, right on time, filling the need perfectly! God has led us to many places and made our steps to follow pathways that lead us to people who needed the Gospel or who needed to get into church and start serving the Lord. In each case we lovingly applied the Scriptures along with our own testimony or whatever was needed. We had a lot of trials and began to wonder if the Lord wanted us to turn back. We really wanted to turn back more than once, but God never gave us peace to do that, so we are out here serving. We have the joy of being at a church in Ocala, FL where there is another servant of the Lord here. He is a mechanic in his later years who has a helper with him. They travel from church to church that have bus ministries. He does maintenance on the busses free of charge. It just goes to show, God will use anybody who will give whatever talents he has to the Lord for His use. We are truly hoping that God will gain more servants because we reach, teach and try to draw you into His active work. You might feel like there is no hope of that for you, or that you have nothing to give. You are made in the image of God, designed for a special purpose that only you have the ability for. He knows if all you can do is clean toilets and shine windows. Give yourself to Him; you won't regret it!....Let's see now, what can I share about Florida. Well, where we are now is the "Horse Capital of the World". It is amazing to see land all around here that is fenced in with white fences for horses. There are tracks for horses to run on, a place for horses to do jumps, lots of horse barns and horse trailers about. It's one of the places I feel at home because of the farmland. There are beef cows in this part of the State too. Though it is winter here, the weather is fit to be outside without a jacket and we are beginning to need the air conditioning inside. Back home the temps have gone down to 17 and they have had icy ran and snow. Hearing that makes us feel real good that we did not turn back!!! Carl has been outside fixing things. He had to go up on the roof and remove the cover over the refrigerator area. We have had a leak into a cupboard beside it where we caught 1 gallon of water in 24 hours during one downpour. He found tape over a seam. He was cleaning the area and the water was running right under it. He thinks that's the trouble. He will get caulk and fill the crack with it. I wonder why some things are as they are. Of course, we bought the trailer used and it had sat on the lot for a year. God has helped us over each hurdle as it came along in the past and He is able to do that for us again. But I do like not having too many hurdles at a time, though! Bye for now, The Earley travelers

Memory Verse: Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. Isaiah 26:3

Verses To Ponder: Psalm 20:7; Ps 23:4,6; Psalm 27:1; Psalm 49:6-7; Psalm 56:4; Proverbs 28:1,26; Zechariah 4:6; Mark 10:24

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## 2/23/2023

Bits of Home Chat: Hi from Sunny Florida; it's beautiful here this week! For that, we are grateful! God allowed us to park the camper at our younger friend's church, Victory Baptist in Ocoee, FL. The pastor here is Sam who grew up in our home area. He was part of our lives when we all attended Victory Baptist in Homer City, PA. Sam attended the same Christian school as our children attended for a number of years. Sam chose his stands for service during the years he worked as a bus captain along with our son, Martin. Together, those two visited and cared for a church bus route, visiting on Saturday mornings and bringing people to the church on Sundays. Sam is still holding the lines of righteousness and service he learned and chose then. What a joy it has been to present Bible To You in his church. He also spoke with the Spanish pastor here and asked him to allow Carl to give a 15-minute slot in their Wednesday evening Spanish service. The Spanish pastor will interpret for Carl so He has to make it as clear and easily translated as possible because the pastor there is not very good at interpreting. Our BTY in Spanish needs to get into more churches. Pray about that, please. ..... Now, on a different note, we were out getting gasoline and propane yesterday when I started looking for alligators in waterways. I couldn't believe that I actually want to see more gators because the last time or two we were down here, we saw so many of them, and heard so many stories about them, that I did not care if I ever saw another alligator as long as I lived! .... We are doing well in our RV. Carl is more able to stay alert these days. It has been good for him to do this although we had to stop often to let him rest or he had trouble handling the rig. .... Also on this past Sunday, a Haitian lady came to our display after morning service and told us the Lord redirected her as she was on her way to a church for people from similar backgrounds. The Lord spoke to her heart to go to Victory Baptist instead. She said she had promised the Lord that she would serve Him after she retired, which she has been for a year now, if I remember correctly. Well, we had the privilege of showing her how to minister to prisoners using Bible To You! ..... One evening, we went to his son's Lacrosse game. It was the first time we saw people playing Lacrosse. The game is definitely fast moving and challenging, to say the least! The players have sticks of various lengths for whatever position they play. On the end of the stick is a small net for catching or trapping and carrying the ball. The person who has the ball can only hold it for a few seconds. Players on the other team are to knock the ball loose, get it into his net, then pass it from one section of the field to another, where his fellow player is watching to catch the throw and continue the process till they can get the ball into a hockey net to score. The sticks are used to hit the other guys stick while on the move. Lots of guys accidentally whack another player on the back or legs! It's exhilarating and exhausting to those young teens who were playing! Well, so long for now, The Earleys

P.S. Here are some pictures of lacrosse games:



*Memory Verse:* That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory. I Thessalonians 2:12

Verses to Ponder: I Thessalonians 2: 8-13



#### 3/27/2023



Bits of Home Chat: Hello to you all; we are home and settled in for the most part! The truck was needing repairs and so is the car. The ridge vent is off the garage. The grapevine and apple tree need trimmed before it gets too warm. There are lots of needs here, but the greatest need outside of caring for each other, is to reach and teach with God's Word. We put feet to that yesterday. The truck was fixed so we drove up to get it, and along the way we stopped to put out door hangers that have the three crosses on it, the plan of salvation, and an invitation to Faith Baptist Church. We got out 2 dozen of

them which would not seem like much to a city dweller, but out here the houses can be several acres apart and up lanes or driveways. We used to do that kind of thing a lot until our bodies could not take the extra running. We just really had a burden to reach to the people around us. With the nice new door hangers at the church, we wanted to get some out before Easter which is better named Resurrection Sunday. Easter was a name used by non-biblical based religions or religions that included the worship of false gods and goddesses. Since we have heard and associated Easter with the day when we recognize the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we use it without thinking, I guess. At least, I know what it means to those of us who believe totally in the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ!....while we were away our helpers had a to travel to another state for the funeral of a teenage boy who died while on the mission field with his parents. The boy and his missionary dad were swimming in the ocean and got caught in a riptide. They were both rescued. The boy did not survive. The father had critical lung problems. The boy was a dear friend to some of our helpers. The abrupt change in helpers caused some glitches here. Some of your letters did not get scanned and sent to us from what we can tell. If you did not get a response back from us that is likely why. If anything got missed or messed up, please don't hesitate to tell us so we can set it straight. God's great blessing to you all! The Earleys, Carl and Kay

## Memory Verse:

And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. I John 5:11 & 12

Verse to Ponder: I John 5:1-13

#### 4/22/2023

Bits of home Chat: Hi there, to all of our earthly, but heavenly family! How are you? I ask that sincerely! Drop a line or two to let us know what's up in your life. It helps us to know how to pray for you.....Our Resurrection Sunday was full, with church and Sunday School in AM, dinner with our sons and others, then 5:00 evening service followed by a time of more food and fellowship. After that we came back to the house with Gary, where we watched a Christian movie called "Flywheel". It was the story of a Christian businessman who got his priorities wrong and was ripping people off as they bought his used cars. At the same time, he had an old sports car he asked his mechanic to get running. After some time, the mechanic said it needed a flywheel, but getting one would be difficult. He also said that until the flywheel was in and right, that nothing was going to work. The businessman had lost the blessing of God on his life and was about to lose his business. Finally, the man began to see his business practices, his treatment of others including his family, church members, and workers as having a broken spiritual flywheel. He finally confessed his sin and got right with God. He even replaced money he overcharged customers. Just following that an evil report came up against him. Long story short, God worked to clear his name, save his business, and begin to bless his family anew!.....! know that God's timing is not ours and that some things may not happen as in the movie, but God does hear us when we cry out as a repentant child of His. He does bless us when we turn to him in renewed faith, after we have failed. He has a way of helping us to grow up in Him, so we do not repeat the same thing. He wants our ultimate good. So, if you are being tested and tried, stay close to Him. If you have any sin, confess, and forsake it. Don't try to move ahead with sinful practices. Let Him guide you through, without more sin. He will guide you to a haven of rest and blessing. Oh, more trials may come, but each time one comes, your resolve to bear up under it, trusting and honoring God, you will come out blessed! Carl and I are old enough to tell you that if you are hanging on by one small rope, tie a knot in it and hang on with God's help!!....Our car has to have the rear bumper replaced or it will not pass inspection. We asked God for help financially and the repairman called us and said that our bumper with sensors was not needed according to the serial number so he can get a cheaper bumper and bypass the sensors that were in it. a Christian friend is going to replace the air conditioning compressor and try to figure out why the one window won't come down. It is spring tax time and that's also sizeable. Now we need 4 tires. They are fairly large and expensive. Pray over this, will you. We want God's help, and we want all glory to go to Him. I am almost excited to see how God works in and through these situations. This is just a test! Love ya all! The Earleys

## Memory Verse:

He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy. Proverbs 28:13

Verses to Ponder:

Psalms 34:14,18; Proverbs 28:13: Isaiah 55:7; Hebrews 3:7-8; James 4:8-10; I John 1:9; Revelation 3:19

#### 4/25/2023

Bits of Home Chat: Hi to each of you, and may you be found at peace with you God. We were at a house yesterday just after the home-going of our two daughter-in-laws' mother. Our hearts felt so heavy for the families and yet there was such a peace for all. The mourning of a godly family is so different from the mourning of an ungodly family who have no hope of eternal life. But nonetheless, there was pain of separation and sorrow for all the days she languished. Her daughters are exhausted. /// Carl is stronger this year than last year. He is able to do more in the line of outside work and maintenance of the tractor. He is also able to spend more time in the office. We are thanking the Lord for this. We also thank you for all your prayers and notes of care. They continue to bless our hearts and our lives!/// This month has been strange, with heat that is more like summer, and with cold spells like winter. We also realized that there are hardly any April showers that bring May flowers! We believe that the apple tree may be ruined for the year because it budded early during summery spells in February, followed by cold, frosty spells even into April. Carl also noted that the grapevines were bleeding. He trimmed half of them before we left for Florida and the other half when we came home. The ones done since we came home did not surprise us, but to have the ones bleeding that were done in early January, now that's downright strange! We see these things along with the tornadoes, tsunamis, floods, earthquakes and such as warnings to man from God, but we see man still largely ignoring God; how sad! On the other hand, we Christians can turn to God more so, and we can serve Him more fully. We encourage you to draw ever closer to God. We are doing that here.///Carl is correcting your lessons while I write this. He is so organized and methodical that it puts your Bible studies from here in good stead, most of the time! I usually have him listen to the Bits of Home chat as I read it aloud to catch mistakes, so he is connected. If there are lots of lessons in, I correct them as he records what came in and what needs to go out on your envelopes for that week's work. After the lessons are all cared for and sealed in the new out-going bin, he records the week's work in a data base./// Here's a heads-up; Carl's birthday is June 14<sup>th</sup>, Flag day. He jokes about how many people put out flags to

Memory Verse: Psalm 116:15 Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

a picture, poem, or something special for you. Bye for now! From Carl and Kay Earley

cheer for his birthdays. I shall try not to let him read this so if any of you want to send him a card or a note, it will surprise him. He will be 76 this year./// I am going to close for now and see if I can find

Verses to Ponder: I Thessalonians 4

# This is the story behind the hymn, Blest Be the Tie That Binds.

John Fawcett was born into a poor family in Yorkshire, England, and was orphaned at age 12. To survive, he accepted a lengthy apprenticeship to a tailor. Then, while still in his teens, he heard the great George Whitfield preach and became a Christian.

While serving his apprenticeship, Fawcett became active in a Baptist church and was often asked to speak. Then at age 25 (and newly married) he was invited to serve as pastor of a small church at Wainsgate. The poor people of that little village were able to pay very little, and much of Fawcett's pay came as potatoes and other produce. Once his wife, Mary, began having children, they found it difficult to survive.

Then Fawcett learned that the pastor of a large Baptist church in London was retiring, and he let the church know that he would be interested in serving them. They called him to be their pastor at a much larger salary, so John and Mary packed their household and prepared to move. But then, as the story is told, Mary told John that she didn't think that she could leave these people whom they had both learned to love — and John allowed that he shared her sentiment — so the two of them unpacked the wagon and let the London church know that they wouldn't be coming.

Then Fawcett, who wrote a number of hymns during his lifetime, wrote this hymn, "Blest Be the Tie," to convey his sentiments and those of his wife to the poor people among whom they had chosen to live. Fawcett served that little church for the rest of his life -54 years in all.

#### 5/9/2023

Bits of Home Chat: Hello brothers and sisters! May is such a special month as it has lots of comfortably warm days. This week we have had days brightened with sunshine. The skies have been colored to a beautiful blue with puffs of white clouds here and there. It caused us to just have to escape from indoors to the glorious outdoors. Now on the down-side, we saw how bad the weeds had gotten around the perimeter of the house and the driveway so Carl mixed up weed killer and went after that problem while I did some of the mowing. >>> Carl isn't doing so well this past week. He's been too weary to accomplish much at one time. As always though, he got up Tuesday morning and drove to the post office for your letters, came home and opened them, read your letters to us, recorded on the outside of the envelopes what came in and what needed to go out, etc. After that he made out new envelopes. Yesterday I corrected most of the lessons and today he finished correcting and then stuffed the envelopes with everything but the Bits of Home Chats. Tomorrow he will finish, weigh, and seal the letters, package any Bibles that need to go out and take everything to the post office. Sometime between then and next Tuesday he will record everything you sent in, and he sent out, in a database. Then next Tuesday he will start again. He loves this work and is dedicated to it. It's not just a job to him; it's a way of ministering to people he feels responsible for to God.>>>Our sons' families are still hurting from the loss of the other Gramma. One of the girls told me she is still walking around in shock and thinking it can't be true. Then when she has to go into the house which is next door, it is almost devastating. Their mom was the wife of Ted, the former ball player who died 2 years ago. The girls were late in life children so they had to deal with a lot in their 40's.>>>Debbie may have a chance to get some help for her heart. After years of near hopelessness some doctors from Pittsburgh are taking her case and considering what they can do. They told her that she is one of the few people still living at her age who were born with a heart like hers. That can only be credited to the Lord and the prayers of her parents, family, husband, children, and church families who love her!>>>I only have one birthday child from the children's home in Thailand this month. She seems to have a fun-loving personality, so I chose this chuckle provoking character for the picture on her birthday greeting. I hope you get a kick out of it; I did! Love from us both, The Earleys, Carl and Kay

## **MEEKNESS**

*Memory Verse:* If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Romans 12:18

Verses to Ponder: Psalm 25:9; Psalm 147:6; Proverbs 15:1,18 and 19:11; Matthew 5:5; Romans 12:14 and 18-19; I Corinthians 13:4-7: Galatians 6:1; I Timothy 6:11; II Timothy 2:24-25; I Peter 3:4

#### 5/23/2023

Bit of Home Chat: Hi all, you may not believe it, but you are a very special group of people! Number one, God cares for you and is always available to you for help, fellowship, and love. I am working on new lessons for the Lady series. In studying for the 2 most recent ones I had to go through lots of scripture from the New Testament. I could not help but notice the love God has for us, the brethren. It also became strikingly clear that we are to act the same to each other as He does to us. Wow, in this day it is even more difficult to remain Christlike toward others. God does not give us special options to choose from about it. He does expect us to stand up and be counted, he just expects us to endeavor to live peaceably with all men with every effort. You are probably in areas where you are tested many times. I think the only thing that will keep you going down the right path will be a choice to steadfastly walk and work to see others brought to the Lord for salvation and then to teach them Christlike living, even if all you can do is sign them up for lessons.>>>>We pray for you as you live daily in an environment that is unstable, sometimes uncertain. Everyone has different circumstances so you must be prayerful and spiritually diligent in order to be fruitful Christians. I was asking the Lord what to write about as I went through daily housework and ministry work today. When I started looking for scriptures for you it seemed like these thoughts were just filling my mind and my heart. It is because I know that Carl and I and the people of our church and family are still in a

free world with enough mobility to allow us to move about in our own home or go off to church or town, or to visit a

friend, etc. We can choose who we have close to us, most of the time whereas you are not free to do so. Our hearts ache over this, and so it causes us to pray for you more earnestly. Let us encourage you to be found faithful. You are, as a child of God, called a saint. You are spiritually already placed in Glory. No matter where you are, the god of love and life is there and always will be. This may sound like rambling, but if you can follow the rambling far enough, maybe you will experience some help from it!>>>Our youngest granddaughter has been learning martial arts and has competed in PA States. She did very well and came home with first and second awards. She is a good girl who went through some hurts at school a year or so past. About that time she found a place she could achieve, martial arts of all things! She is so much happier these days. I have no idea what God is gonna use that for in her life but their church is in an inner city area and she does help carry the gospel to others there. Maybe she will be a missionary in a dangerous place. Personally, I hope not, but they say that you are safer in God's will, in a dangerous place than out of God's will in a safe place! Ok, it's time to get supper on here. Till next time, know that God cares about you, special people! From the Earleys

This is a month's worth of verses meant to be written out day by day. They say it should take 10 minutes. Thought you might benefit from these ones.



Day 1: 2 Timothy 2:22-26 Day 2: Luke 6:27-31 Day 3: Luke 6:32-36

Day 4: Proverbs 15:1-7 Day 5: John 13:32-35 Day 6: Mark 11:22-26

Day 7: Matthew 5:1-7 Day 8: Matthew 5:6-12 Day 9: Philippians 2:1-5

Day 10 Prevents 97-10 Day 11: Resons 124-10 Day 12 Resons 12:11-16

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Day 15: Colosians 3:12-15 Day 16: Mathew 5:43-47 Day 17: Proverts 10:11-14

Day 18 1 John 4.7-11 Day 19 1 Connitions 13:1-4

Day 20: 1 Contribute 13:5-6 Day 21: Marthew 7:1-5

Day 22: Leviticus 19.15-18. Day 23: Ephesians 4:1-6. Day 24: Proverbs 25:19-23. Day 25: 1 Penes 4:8-11.

Day 25: Matthew 16.15-18 Day 27: Matthew 16.19-27 Day 28: Colombia 16.19-27

Day 28: Galatian 5:22-28 Day 29: Ephesians 4:29-32 Day 30: Provestu 12:15-20 Far if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?



#### 6/28/2023

Bits of Home Chat: Hi and best wishes to you dear family of God! It is late on Friday evening. Carl still has only a temporary brace on his broken arm. It causes immediate pain when he gets up, sits down, or moves much at all. He will see a doctor again in a week. His sleeve/brace did not come in, as the VA had to do paperwork and wait for approvals. This has been one of the most trying situations we have been through. ///// This evening was a bit of real joy as we helped the church youth party next door by donating chips, cheese curls, Rice Krispie Treats and a few other items needed for the activity. As a result, we had several kids and adults stop in to see Carl and me. What a precious group of people we have! One family happened to be our granddaughter and our great granddaughter who is just old enough to start talking. She knew just where there is a baby doll she can play with and went to get it first thing. Great Gramma also started teaching her how to run Hotwheel or Matchbox cars down a ramp made up of Great Grampa's computer laptop desk, a box of mac 'n cheese, a couple of DVD cases and the living room floor! She loved it, and so did we. I taught all the grandkids how to race cars on the kitchen floor and later on a track that wore out long ago. I guess I will have to update with a more modern setup before long!////Your lessons will be a bit late as each day seems I slide backwards since Carl got hurt and cannot help. But he managed to print out a hundred envelopes from the HP printer we had brought up from the office. I am doing a lot of the work upstairs so I can be near hubby and be available to help him get up and down, put ice on his arm, make sure he is drinking enough liquids, etc. Also, steps are very hard for me to get up and



down. My left knee is bone on bone causing a lot of pain no matter which way I try to step. We decided a long time ago that growing old is only golden for the doctors who get it all! We also decided that getting old is not for wimps! Any of you feel like that?////Martin's oldest son was over at the church parking lot Wednesday evening after church when he caught sight of 5 baby skunks in

the lower drive just below the parking lot. They were trying to move away but kept bumping into each other. They stayed in a close little group and moved together so they looked quite funny. Mother skunk was trying to get them to go down into the field. I saw a film of it caught on a cell phone. In the background I heard Pastor Rose telling him a skunk can shoot more than 30 feet, you'd better get

back! Well, nothing happened because no one moved closer, in fact, no one moved! I have to stop. My shoulder and neck are work weary from the long day. Perhaps in the morning I can get these out. Love to all of you! The Earleys, Carl and Kay

Memory Verse: For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: Ephesians 5:8

Verses to Ponder: I Thessalonians 5:5; Romans 8:16,17 & 21; Galatians 3:26; Ephesians 1:5, 5:1 & 5:8; I John 3:7 & 4:4

#### 6/28/2023

Bits of Home Chat: Four children volunteered to help while Mr. Earley is recovering. The youngest is 10, the oldest is 16. The 2 boys worked outside trimming hedges and the 2 girls were inside working with BTY. When the work was done, I invited them all in to play a game of UNO. They did fairly well, considering their ages. I hope everything goes through with BTY. Please be patient with us till Carl gets back to where he can work. The doctor said his arm will take months to heal! He endured my driving as we went to Butler, an hour away so he could get his new glasses ordered. When we left, the fog, and the smoke from the fires in Canada, were so thick that visibility was very poor. About a half hour into the drive, it cleared up fairly well. On the way home we saw the smoke hanging low inside of the hills and trees. It is weird to live with haze all around for days....We got a text a while ago that one of our church men was rushed to Pittsburgh Presbyterian Hospital after showing signs of having another stroke, the second in 3 weeks. His daughter is dating one of our grandsons. His daughter was just diagnosed with Limes disease. She is very ill also....The ticks are bad again. I was pulling weeds out of the church flower bed after prayer meeting recently. Pastor Rose and his wife came to the house to see Carl, and Pastor's wife saw something in my hair. The something was a tick! I've had limes disease twice and I hope I never get it again. They say it stays in your brain and can continue to cause trouble. When I was a kid we ran around in the grass and hiked in the woods but never got Tick bites that I remember....The fourth of July was a special time here as we had an indoor picnic in the air conditioning and the young folks went outside. We bought a big old watermelon and a pack of ground beef for burgers. Our sons and their families and Pastor Rose's family was here, except for Pastor, who had to work that day. He works for a man who has a truck for selling pulled pork sandwiches and other barbecue items out of. There was a big celebration at the Indiana Fairground, and they sold about \$3,000 worth of goods! That is amazing!.... It was good to celebrate the birth of our nation although we grieve over the direction it is heading. Socialism never worked in any other country, and many people are foolish enough to adopt it for our Country, which is a dreadful choice! Communism also rides in behind Socialism. Pray for people to get hold of the truths of the Word of God, and for a revival. That is all that will help our Country. If you do not know what we are talking about when we speak of socialism and communism, ask about it; we will get you some information on what it is and how it is gripping our country more and more! ...Well, I must close, choose you some special scriptures, and get these to the Post Office. Till later, God bless, guide, and keep you. Love and prayers, The Earleys

Memory Verse: Isaiah 26:3-4 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength.

Verses to Ponder: Psalms 27:14; Psalms 33:18-19; Psalms 112:5,7; Psalms 118:8-9; Proverb 29:25; Jeremiah 17:7; Nahum 1:7; Habakkuk 2:4; Matthew 6:31-33

## 7/10/2023



Bits of Home Chat: Hey all, how are you doing out there? I don't know about you, but I love summer. I thought of the long months of being shut in through winter today and I cringed. Carl and I ate lunch out on the deck surrounded by flowers, a soft breeze and the sound of birds. I sure envy people who live in mild climates year-round! However, I do appreciate the fact that we live in the land of the free. We can own a home, drive a car and best of all, we can worship God and own a

Bible. Some lands don't have all of that. ...... Carl is quite miserable yet with his arm, but I see improvement he cannot recognize. I wish he could get out and about more. He is getting stir-crazy! ..... Our daughter's church supports us, so their school, grades 1 through 6 took us on to pray for us. We did not know that until a get-well card came for Carl this week with a note, signed by a teacher or an aid. They shared with us that one of their little girls also broke her arm this summer. I don't know about you, but when someone tells us they are praying for us, I really feel lifted up! And let me tell ya, we need it right now! I feel like I am going in circles most of the time, or I am just too weary to do much till I can find time to rest. You won't believe this, but the brace for his arm, from the VA, has still not come in; it's been several weeks! He broke his arm a month ago! The temporary one does not seem to help much, and that is making Carl downright depressed. I feel so bad for him, but I am doing everything I can to help. ..... Martin and his son who is in nursing school weeded the garden last week. The beans could be on down there, but I have not been able to check. Martin will probably be over soon to check it, so I will gladly wait. It dawned on me that I would have to put up beans soon, and I wanted to throw up my arms and holler "HELP"! Do I sound like a frazzled female? I hope you don't mind. At least I can still smile in the midst of it all. Writing to you is making me smile right now because I know you value our friendship, and we value your friendship. ..... Here's a funny story: The last two nights I realized I forgot to water the church flowers and it was near midnight both times, so I thought that I'd feel a whole lot better if there were no wild animals and no wild people around. The best antidote for that is lots of noise and sudden light, so I raised our raucous sounding garage door and flipped on three or four garage and outside lights. Then I bravely embarked on the lonely trek of a whole 180 feet to the church porch where the flowers are. The first night's trek was flawless! The second night I got to imagining how I would fend off an attacker with my two gallons of water! All of a sudden my musing stopped for I smelled a skunk! Now, you can't fight a skunk off with anything. You'd best not get in a fight with it in the first place! I slowed down, looked all around, and not seeing anything I proceeded much more carefully, realizing that in our neighborhood, the only real threat is skunks. Well, it never showed itself and I got the flowers watered and returned home to put down the noisy garage door and retire for the night. End of story! . .... Bye to all of you. Keep smiling. Love and prayers, and lots of care, The Earleys, Carl and Kay

## Memory verse:

Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? I Corinthians 3:16

Verses to ponder: I Corinthians 6:19; II Corinthians 6:16; Ezekiel 36:27; Galatians 5:22; Romans 8:9; Romans 8:15; I John 4:13

#### 7/25/2023

Bits of Home Chat: Hi everybody! It's Tuesday once again. God has sent us a helper for a couple of weeks. If she can do it, she will continue after a 2-week travel stint she planned before volunteering here. We met her a year ago and asked if she would be interested in helping. She was, but she had a lot on her plate at the time. We also thought she lived too far away. When the Lord led us to go ahead and contact her, we learned that she lives closer than we thought. It all worked out so well, it was in God's timing. .....Carl's brace from the VA came in yesterday. What a relief that is, but his arm is hurting really bad anyway. He fell asleep without the old brace one or two nights in the past week, and he also went out for a walk around our property which is downhill and not very smooth out back. I didn't say anything yet, but if it still hurts Tomorrow morning I plan to call the orthopedic doctor. .....I believe that God has answered your prayers and the prayers of others at church and family. God is sending helps to us a piece at a time. Last week our daughter and her daughter came and worked to clean the bugs and cobwebs out of the office, mow, and make seat covers for the old chairs on the deck. My daughter is much better at sewing than I am. It is as God said, each person has special abilities, so they fit in the body and work with it in beautiful order. ....we are reading a book by Jonathon Cahn, about prophecies fulfilled that people did not even realize happened. It is written in such a way that it holds our interest and makes you ready to go back to it a couple of times a day when we are on break. Jonathan was born in New York State. He was raised in a Jewish family, the son of a Holocaust refugee, and attended the synagogue frequently. At age 20, after a near-death experience, he accepted Yeshua as Messiah. He is an American Messianic Jewish rabbi, author, and novelist known for his debut novel *The Harbinger*. He is the founder and leader of the Beth Israel Worship Center in Wayne, New Jersey. Cahn has said that the United States is "on the wrong path" due to the prevalence of abortion, the pursuit of gay rights, and the perceived decline in the public role of religion. We say a great big AMEN to that! Cahn's 2011 debut novel, The Harbinger, compares the United States and the September 11 attacks to ancient Israel and the destruction of the Kingdom of Israel. We have read that one, and are now reading The Oracle, Jubilean Mysteries. If you can, you might want to ask the chaplain if he has a copy of any of Cahn's books. Here is a list of his books. (we have not read them all) The Mystery of the

Shemitah (2014) The Book of Mysteries (2016) The Paradigm (2017) The Oracle: Jubilean Mysteries (2019) The Harbinger II: The Return (2020) The Return of the Gods (2022). ....sorry if I bored any of you! ....so, how are each of you? If you are suffering in any way, spiritually, physically, or emotionally, do not hesitate to let us know so we can pray and try to help. God bless you all. The Earleys

#### \*\*\*\*BECAUSE\*\*\*\*\*

Memory Verse: I will sing unto the LORD, because he hath dealt bountifully with me. Psalm 13:6 I

Psalm 116:1 &2; Psalm 16:8; Psalm 18:9; Psalm 28:6; Psalm 37:40; Psalm 91:14; Psalm 118:1

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#### 8/10/2023

Bits of home Chat: August is here, and so is the heat and humidity! At least there is only one August each year, so I guess we can endure! Thankfully, the bean picking will be finished today. The plants are dying, so we will be pulling them out. Actually, two of Pastor Rose's kids are coming to pick the beans this afternoon. Carl will probably walk along with them and guide them through pulling the plants out, picking the beans off, then throwing the plant away. I thought about leaving the last picking on and letting the beans mature and dry out, thus making the bean turn into a dried outside with large, white, dry beans inside that we shell out, after a few weeks, and make a bean soup with them, but Carl had already called Pastor for pickers, so I suggested we give that picking to Pastor's family. Pastor sounded pleased. His kids are a blessing to me. They actually spend time talking to us old folks, so I have been spoiling them by staying after church services and playing word games or Jax. I need to get a new game of some sort. They couldn't get the coordination for catching the Jax ball and scooping up the Jax so I sent them home with the kids to practice. The last I heard, one of them stepped on one of the Jax and broke it, and one of their cats ate one. So much for modern day kids playing Jax, I am afraid!...... Did any of you ever hear of a game called, My Word? It has cards with letters on them. One person lays the cards face up, one at a time. Everyone tries to make a word from at least 3 cards. The first to get a word calls it out. If the dealer says it is a legal word, then the caller gets to pick up those letters. The dealer can use a dictionary if needed. The dealer changes when all the cards have been laid down and no more words can be made. The winner is the person with the most cards. Of course, everyone watches out for the youngest children, so they always have some cards and even win a hand now and then. If not, we would end up with this! ..... Carl picked out your verses for the week. He thought that since we were harvesting, it would be good to use Bible harvest verses. Our lives, as children of God, should produce good fruit. If we keep out sin weeds, eat and drink spiritual food and water, the Bible, and continue to labor for the Lord, we are sure to be fruitful, if we do not faint, give up. God knows the field we are in; He will give all that is needed to produce fruit in our field. Be wise and willing to labor for Him. Be patient, as we will see our full harvest in Glory Land! There are not a lot of us working together in and through Bible To You, but little is much, when GOD is in it! HE is in it!!! Love to you folks and to all whose lives we might touch! Pass that love on. From Mr. and Mrs. Earley, Carl and Kay

Memory Verse: Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. John 4:35

Verses to Ponder: Genesis 8:22; Proverbs 10:5; Jeremiah 5:24; Matthew 9:37-38; John 4:34-38; Revelation 14:15-16

## 8/24/2023

Bits of Home Chat: Relief! All the canning is done! The men have to dig the potatoes. We tried a few the other day and they were really good! I was thinking about the ability to raise a good supply of produce in Alaska and wondered if they grow potatoes, so I went online and found an article that answered my questions. I thought you all would also enjoy it. { Foods that Grow in Alaska: Agriculture might not be the first thing that comes to mind when you think of



Alaska. Home to frozen landscapes, snow-covered mountains, glaciers and months of darkness, it's not exactly the kind of place you would expect to find a lot of productive farmlands. Despite the state's harsh climate in the winter months, however, there are 762 farms and over 800,000 acres of farmland in the state. And while farming in Alaska is often a challenge, the short but intense growing season in the summer can actually yield world-record-size produce. Potatoes are one of the

most valuable crops grown in Alaska, contributing a net value of over \$3 million to the state's economy annually, Planting usually begins in the middle of May, when the day length reaches about 17 hours, and the growing season continues through September. The continuous sunlight during the summer creates favorable conditions for crop production, particularly in the Matanuska Valley where the sun barely falls below the horizon from mid-May to mid-August. Common potato varieties grown in the state include Yukon Gold, Russet Norkotah and Green Mountain. } Sounds great, and if we were younger, I think we would do well to go to Alaska for those sunny months, grow produce, sell it, and then come back to the other states for the dark months there. Since that's not gonna happen for us, maybe someone else can take the idea and run with it! .....Carl's arm is more agile but still very touchy when he moves it. It swells sometimes and then we get the ice on it and get him ibuprofen. That usually works after a while. It is still a chore for him to shower, put on his own clothes, work in the office, mow or anything else, for that matter. I am glad he is toughing it out and doing it on his own, except for getting Brylcream in his hair, and socks on his feet, and his brace on his arm. He's trying to do what he can, and that's great! .....Last night we had prayer meeting and Bible study at church. The whole message was on loving God the way we ought to. It led me to see how that He loved us so much that even though man stepped away from Him to listen to the devil, He still loved man. I also saw the cycles of what happens when we unquestioningly follow God and when we unquestioningly follow the devil. God means Hid words to be followed because their natural outcome is life and peace and joy in Him. Following Satan's lead always ends in sorrow, loss, even premature death. Pastor rose gave us time to go to the altar and pray. I have been through a lot in the past couple of months and couldn't even pray like I wish I could have, so I sat right back down on my pew and prayed till I had peace to stand back up and sing the rest if the invitation song. What peace I knew after that. Let me extend Pastor's call to do a check on your heart of hearts. Is there a need anywhere to draw closer to God, to love him and to avoid the devil's deceptive wooing to what seems OK but starts a cycle of loss, not good. In Jesus' Name, The Earley duo! Carl & Kay

Memory Verse: We love him, because he first loved us. 1John 4:19

Verses to Ponder: Jeremiah 31:3; John 15:19; Jamse 2:5; 1John 2:15; 1John 3:1; Proverbs 10:12; II Corinthians 13:11-14; Ephesians 3:19

#### 9/5/2023

Bits of Home Chat: Hey to all of you; we are here, working in the office with our new helper, Melissa. She is willing to learn and do whatever we ask of her. For me, Mrs. E., I am soooo thankful to have another female to talk to here. God has blessed us! Carl's arm is improving some each week now, but he got a burn on his hand due to a severe poison ivy reaction. His hand and fingers swelled terribly, and he got big blisters on the fingers. It was on his left hand, the one that was on the broken arm. He had, for the first time, decided to try to work. He supported the bad arm and used the hand to steady and hold 2 large electric cords he was cleaning and putting new ends on. They had gotten hit by the mower when the grass got tall enough that it hid where the cords were. Anyway, He worked for some time that way, pulling them through his left hand, wiping with his right hand. There must have been cut off ivy that juiced up those cords. Carl could not scrub and rinse the left hand well and he did not get it done enough. I would have helped, but I did not realize that ivy was growing out there. He didn't either! His hand and fingers swelled and got huge blisters on the fingers. The doctor told us that the ivy actually burned his hand and that he must have Silvadene, a burn ointment, put on twice a day and bandaged with wide gauze and tape. That's not all of it though, his hand touched his stomach and chest at night and the ivy was on them before it got bad enough on the hand to realize what it was. He has suffered pure misery day after day and night after night. We know that God does allow suffering in our lives, and it is always for good somehow. We continue to look up to our perfect, inerrant God...... On Labor Day we cooked and served oven baked barbecue chicken legs and thighs, roasted chicken breasts, scalloped potatoes, green beans from the canning this year, with bacon and onion, a pot of our cooked corn with butter and salt, fresh tomatoes, pickles, crescent rolls from Alan, Jelly that I made, apple pie cookies from a granddaughter, lemonade, iced tea and coffee. There was plenty of food and people seemed to have a great time eating and fellowshipping! One of the older grandsons wanted to learn to make our old family recipe for ice cream. It was from my Gramma who also had a farm with cows and chickens. So, he and another young man watched as I made a custard on the stove made of milk, eggs, sugar, and cornstarch. They watched and listened to special instructions about keeping it from sticking. After it was cooked, I added more milk and sugar, canned milk, and vanilla. They saw to the churning of it. There were so many people here that I was shocked and hard pressed to be a good hostess. We did it with the help of some of our kids and grandkids and my brother, Alan. We invited our boys' families, and they invited some others. We ended up with 25 people here. That's a lot of people. Oh, yes, and we had 2 dogs here for part of the day....... It was so precious to be with the folks who came. They all are related or go to our church. One was the fella who had a stroke a couple of months ago. His wife and he needed the fellowship. One was a young man who loves being with our grandsons and granddaughters. Thankfully I had gotten the grandkids' old toys out some months back and put them in the little apartment like room in the basement. The little people could run around, play and be supervised by the 3 teen girls who usually fellowship there. It was perfect! The reason we were inside was because the outside was about 90 degrees and humid. Some of the men were out a bit. The young men spent some time on the deck where all the fully grown containers of flowers give shade. I have to go for now, but hope you all are well. Love in Christ, The Earleys

## Memory Verse:

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Verses to ponder: the theme is "God of Peace and the Gospel of Peace"

Romans 15:33; Romans 16:20; Philippians 4:9; I Thessalonians 5:23; Heb 13:20 & 21

Isaiah 66:12; Romans 10:15; Ephesians 6:15

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#### 9/19/2023

Bits of home chat: Hi there brothers and sisters in our Lord! How are you doing? Carl is coming along with the broken arm; his ivy and chemical burn from it are healed. It took quite a while for the blisters to shrink and the damaged skin on his hand to peel away. I have seen other godly men suffer many illnesses and suffering. One was our aged evangelist Brother Foote, who went through skin cancer on his face. He was so disfigured from some of the cutting away that he thought he was done preaching, that no one would be able to look at his face and concentrate on his preaching. His son encouraged him to go back out; he did it, and God blessed him with even more years on the road, helping the churches to stay true to God and trust Him. I am sure that he saw souls saved during that time also, God had always blessed his work.>>>> I am trying a new experiment here, making a natural healing salve out of dried marigold heads, olive oil and bee's 🚸 wax! There is a teen girl who lives near Amish country, who is trying to learn about natural medicines so she can take that knowledge onto the mission field in a deprived country. Since she planted large marigolds at the church, and I water them, she thought of the salve and suggested I try it. I do have a dehydrator, so I went for it. The dried marigold heads are soaking in olive oil now. They have to soak for 3 weeks and then get bees wax to add in. I am wondering what the smell will be like; I plan to ask if I can add an essential oil like lavender or peppermint. They are about to the halfway place in the soaking period. Pastor and his family were here last evening and asked about the dehydrator that was still out, so I got to tell him what was up with the salve experiment. I wonder where all of this is heading for her, and for me? >>>> It is early fall here and providing some glorious days to be outside in weather that is not too hot. I love this time of year, except for the cold, damp times that get Fibromyalgia stirred up. That happened this week for the first time since early spring. It followed the week of revival meetings. I was so tired, and hurting so bad, that I missed Sunday School and church in the AM. Then on Monday I slept a lot, which is very unusual for me. On Tuesday I slept in and took a nap. By afternoon I felt considerably better, so I picked the grapes and got them ready to cook with Pastor's daughter's help. Then Mrs. Rose shared her supper with us, and after that we went to Martin's house for a birthday get-together. They had a nice fire going on their lower property and we shared Jello Pretzel 🥨 salad, toasted marshmallows while one of the family asked us funny riddles from his cell phone. Martin had lost his cell phone and needed it for work the next day, so we left a bit early to give them time to search for it. They called today and said it was stuck in the fold at the back of the driver's seat. His wife found it, hooray for a woman! Hee Hee! I just had to say that! Don't worry on men, we need you in our lives! God made both with special strengths and abilities. I wrote a series of lessons on that! It honors God when we admit that the various parts of His creation are in perfect accord! >>>> I guess that "Chatty Cathy" had better close for now, but thanks for reading, and for fellowshipping! The Earleys

#### Memory Verse:

(It is fine if you do not memorize it, but if you can, do it for the Lord's use in and through you!)

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life; I John 1:1

## Verses to Ponder:

(Here are some verses that show the power and the eternality of God's Word. And remember, Jesus is the living Word while the Bible is the written Word; they are one! You can depend on the unaltered Word found in the good old King James Bible for English. They came from the original texts passed down from the days of Christ.)

II Timothy 2:9; Heb 1:3 and 4:12 and 11:3; James 1:18 and 1:22;

I Peter 1:23 and 2:2; II Peter 3:5; I John 5:7; Revelation 1:9 and 13; Revelation 20:4

#### 10/3/2023



Bits of Home Chat: Hi all! The Lord has been giving us some helps here that are letting us get caught up and better able to do special work for the BTY outreach. Keep praying for more souls to be saved and for more people to grow in him through the use of the lessons. This week's lessons are all graded, and their return lessons are in the envelopes, so I am doing the home chat while Carl and Melissa are marching off to the storage shed to clean it out. Our

new helper is willing to help any place we need her. What a fantastic help! God knew who to call, for sure! .....We were given a spa several years ago by a lady from Heritage Baptist. It helps with my fibromyalgia, but it has been leaking for some time and I did not realize it increased recently. When I finally had a day when I could use it, I opened it only to find too little water to run the pump for the jets. The last time that happened, it cost us \$150 to have a simple seal replaced. I was kind of frustrated because it was just this spring or summer we had it worked on. This time, however, we were able to call my brother who used to work for a pool and spa company. He is off this week and retired as of tomorrow, so he came in yesterday, diagnosed the problem, then headed for the place where he used to work. The owner is a man from his church. He found just the gasket needed for it, inside of a box of odds and ends, and gave it to Alan free of charge. Alan and Carl came back and fixed the spa while Melissa and I worked on BTY. It was done by the time I had cheese and broccoli chicken soup ready for lunch. We thank God for one more blessing! The sunny days here have been "soooo" wonderful, but rain and 50-degree temps are on the way. I won't enjoy that at all! It's the

Memory verse: If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. James 1:5-7

Verses to Ponder: Lu 18:1; Luke 18:11; Romans 8:26-27; Philippians 4:6-7; I Thessalonians 5:17-18

weather that causes me the most discomfort. Well, I shall cut this short so I can help the other two on that shed. I know it will take some doing to get it cleaned up, but the 3 of us should be able to handle it.

#### 10/18/2023

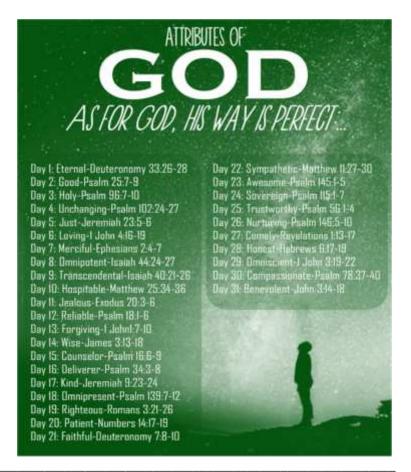
Bits of home Chat: the past two weeks have just flown by, it seems. Carl has been going to physical therapy; it's been a blessing because he is having increased mobility and some strength. He is not allowed to lift yet, but that will come. He and I both are trying to get storage areas and work areas organized and cleaned up. That takes real courage because we have to give *stuff* up! Well, *stuff* is not as important as being good servants to the Lord. If the *stuff* is hindering service, or causing embarrassment to us, then the *stuff* needs to go, right?! Right....thank you! I needed that!!! On a nice note, My one granddaughter got my beauty supplies for perming hair. There were perm rods, combs, a



cape, cotton, etc. She was so pleased to get it that she made it a pleasure instead of a heartache. I did love wrapping in perms for my family and a few other Christian ladies, but I want to save my strength to care for hubby, for home and for *Bible To You* work, so that part of my life is retired. Some things are going to the Salvation Army while some is going to the trash or getting burnt. I went up into the attic yesterday, to put away a bath chair, and there sat more *Stuff!* It's enough to make me downright tired just looking at it, but then again, I do have a cold.

That's it, I can ignore the attic a while longer because I am sick, YES! ......On another note, my son, Brian's wife is to have the first surgical procedures on her heart. They plan to do two things. One will be to send a tine probe in that can sense when the heart beats improperly and zap that area, correcting the problem. That may take up to 6 hours. Then another surgeon is to put stents into the main artery that goes from her heart to her other organs. It will require up to 4 hours as there must be multiple stents put in. We called them this evening and prayed with the family since we cannot go to be with them due to my cold. We cherish them and have truly been pleading for God's intervention and healing in this..... I will try to pick this up later and let you know how she is, but since there are 2 bushels of apples needing to be peeled and cooked, I figured I had better get a head start on the Bits of Home Chat and the verses. We are also getting ready to make a trip to North Carolina to Ambassador Baptist college to set up the BTY display and serve there, getting the lessons into the hands of other servants who can plug them in, so to speak. Carl recently got the new thumbdrives and new labels for on them, so we can load them with lessons and give them out at Ambassador's missions conference. Please back us in prayer as we endeavor to aid others in their work for the Lord Jesus Christ! Also pray for safety on the trip. You know how easily accidents can happen. We need God's care all the way and back, but we desire His Word to be spread abroad and His ways be taught everywhere there are English and Spanish speaking people. We will also be sharing the children's lessons. Please pray for more people to use those. They required a lot of hard labor in order to fit the needs of children of various ages. The Junior content is what you folks get in the first 3 series, but the content is adjusted for their understanding, and a lot of graphics have been used. Finding decent, appropriate graphics kept this lady searching for many hours. I do not regret it at all, I just want the Lord to be brought honor and glory though the work! It is late, but I want to finish finding a set of special scriptures for you before quitting for the night. Carl is sound asleep on the sofa, so I can work quietly and get this cared for. "Cared for" is how we want you to feel when you receive our letters. We mean that! So off I go! Love ya all, The Earley family, Carl and Kay

P.S. No memory verse this week as these are designed to look up and write out one day at a time for a month. Of course you do not have to do that, but feed on the wonders of our God!



10/31/2023

Bits of Home Chat: Here we are at the Ambassador Baptist College in Latimore NC, serving the lord by sharing Bible To You lessons with missionaries, pastors, evangelists and teachers. So far, after only one day, we have met the need of several in those groups, but also helped a young lady who was saved 4 years ago and came directly to Bible College. She was sharing that she had never been trained in these important areas. She took a thumb drive to better learn for herself. As we talked though, she also decided to use the lessons to disciple her mother, a recently saved drug addict. She also plans to teach her 15-year-old brother who is autistic. Another young lady is getting ready to return to her home in Alaska where she will deliver the lessons to her pastor dad. She also was taking back the junior lessons so she can disciple 7 little Alaskans who were saved under her dad's ministry.... During the morning hours, I had asked God if there weren't some folks who could use the kids' lessons that had been a long time in preparation, developed painstakingly! I can only give God the glory!.... there are over 30 missions' agencies here, but we are the only ones who have a ministry of helps for teaching the Word, so we do a lot of conversing with all the other reps as well as the leaders at the college and the students here. It's such a unique opportunity! I wish we could let you hear the sounds in this room where all the displays are. The buzz of all the different students and workers discussing missions is amazing. Everyone is focused on serving the Lord Jesus Christ at a present ministry or helping someone to serve him in a new way. Can you imagine the honor this is to our precious Saviour and to God the Father and God, the Spirit?!....I do not know how much longer Carl and I can travel places with the ministry, but we aim to go as long as we are able. We also pray for replacements for this part of the outreach. We would be satisfied to stay home and minister to you folks. So pray for those things, will you?.... I leave you who are born again with a reminder of one huge responsibility. It is the ministry of reconciling others to God. We are His witnesses. We are a light to a dark world. You do not have to be someplace different to do the job; you just need to be faithful where you are. That seems impossible to some but allow me to encourage you to ask God to guide you, protect you, and direct you. Use his Word because the Word is powerful. I will add some scriptures for you now. God bless you all, dear fellow servants! The Earley duo with Bible To You!

Memory Verse: II Corinthians 5:18 And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

Verses to ponder: II Corinthians 5:18-21; Psalm 145:18; Proverbs 15:8; Matthew 9:38; Luke 10:2

#### 11/15/2023

Bits of home Chat: Hi and God bless you, our brothers and sisters in

the Lord! The pictures are from recent work. Carl has been willing to try to help our grandson to get a foundation ready to set a shed on his folks' property, so he can store his Mazda out of the weather. Carl got permission from the





Verizon garage where he used to work, to haul out old telephone poles. Carl ran the tractor while Martin and his son maneuvered the poles. The 2 younger ones did most of the labor at Martin's house, but Carl stood by as moral support and light duty helper. I think it was good for all of them to be doing this together. I cooked food and took it over one day. They worked at it parts of 2 days and plan to work this evening and tomorrow. There is more to do, but not too much. It should be ready when the shed is delivered.

They even worked after dark!

About half loaded

Here is a picture of our display at the missions conference in North Carolina, at the Ambassador Baptist College. We were able to give out over 30 memory sticks of our lessons and were also able to get the lessons out to Alaska, Japan, and Spain through young ladies who were almost finished with school and were heading to their mission field.



Two would be with missionary parents on the field while the other would be with older missionaries. I also took along 9 or 10 china dolls that were

to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling. Proverbs 20:3

4; John 14:27 & 16:33; Romans 5:1, 12:18, & 14:17; II Corinthians 7; II Timothy 2:22; Hebrew 12:14: James 3:17-18

word I thought of as a theme? Tell me on your next lesson.

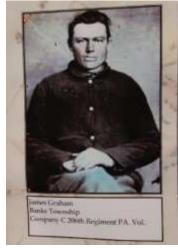
left to my daughter in law and her family. None of them were desirous of them, so they let me take them to find girls who were sick or homesick, or

children of missionaries. We were able, as we prayed for God to lead us, to get them to young ladies and children who fit the bill perfectly. One had been very ill, taking 5.6 yrs. To finish a 4 yr course; one was homesick; one had only been saved a few years and had to make it on her own, as her parents are addicts; one said that when her parents packed and shipped their belongings to leave to home from the mission field, her china dolls were lost. She had been 10 years old at the time and said she cried and cried; and the last three were little girls of a new missionary family. Wasn't God good to allow us such blessings?!

#### 11/29/2023

Bits of Home Chat: We had a wonderful Thanksgiving at my granddaughter's big Amish built house that was built to

accommodate a large family. The Amish couple decided to move and our grandson-in-law bought it. so, there was lots of room for everyone inside and open space to shoot in guns for hunting season. Some of us took a walk up the road to an old cemetery that seemed to belong to a family years ago. A lot of the stones were small and very warn off. We could not read them, but others we could. One of the men buried there is listed in the Indiana County Historical Society. We have this picture to share with you. We got it while investigating some of the history of the cemetery. The Historical Society actually has letters from him to his family while he was away in the Civil War. I tried to access them online, but it seems I would have to go back into their archives that are only accessible in there. ........................... Carl and I are about to bring a new, to us, used car home. We are waiting on the check from the insurance company. ....... Our church family is working on a Christmas cantata. We meet each Sunday for an hour or so before evening service. It is a rough one! Martin got us CDs of the music with separate copies made for the different parts. I have the alto and the soprano parts to listen to.



That way if it is too high on soprano I can hop down to alto. We are really trying, but we are also still making a lot of mistakes, especially coming in on the right beat. Usually, we feel terrible until it is time and then we just take off and do fine. Oh, we make a goof or two, but our church is very good about that. It is a joy to worship and praise Him this way. I love it! Well, it's been a very demanding day, so I'll close now. Love to you all. Carl 'n Kay

Memory verse: For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Verses to Ponder: Judges 13:18; Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 28:18; Luke 2:11; John 3:16; 1Corinthians 15:25; Ephesian 2:14; Titus 2:13

#### 12/15/2023

Merry Christmas!!! It's the time we look to God with humbled hearts as we realize that He willingly came to earth to be born as a helpless babe, to live the life of a carpenter's son, to be accepted by some and despised by the religious leaders of His chosen people. His adult life was spent preaching and teaching righteousness, giving peace and joy to hearts. He gave new life to crippled legs, sight to blind eyes, and restored withered hands. His ministering years were sustained through prayer and fellowship with His Father. His words were always true and dependable. His death on the cross was His final, profound sacrifice! Those of us who are saved, have been given eternal life through Him. We have been given the right of prayer, directly to the Father, in Jesus' name. We have soooooo much to be grateful for, don't we?! That is why we celebrate with joy and with love for others. We send that love to you folks!

We have a replacement for the car, a Chrysler 2017, 300S with deep blue paint that has a pearl finish, so it shines in the sunlight. It is comfortable and easy to handle. We should be able to travel in it for BTY if we sell the camper. As a matter of fact, there is a man coming to see it this week. He says he wants it and will bring half the money at that time and the other half when we can get to a notary. We are trusting God with all of this. We are praying for him to oversee everything. Please pray with us that all will be well with the sale of things and paying off the car. Also pray for our need of help to advance the Word of God through BTY. We need a ministry representative.

It's time for some humor: On a recent evening in church, I noticed a big black fly on the hymnal rack in front of Carl and me. He was crawling around and all I could think of was how much doo-doo those things leave on the walls and windows, and, yes, even the pews! I thought "I sure would like to swat you, buster!", but I knew I couldn't, so I just watched it a bit more. I realized after a bit that I might be able to corral him in my hands if I

could just lean forward a bit and reach forward to where he was. Sure enough, he wasn't real mobile since the building was just warming up. I had a Kleenex in one hand, so I scooped him up and squashed him, for our heath's sake, of course! I admit to feeling kind of squeamish about it! Yuk! Several days later, after working in the basement with BTY, painting a handmade Christmas present and then sorting stuff from the camper and getting that dealt with, I returned to the kitchen to do upstairs stuff. I needed to blow my nose and wipe one nostril out. Immediately I felt something else in my nose, so I looked at the Kleenex. Low and behold, it was the one from church with the remains of you know what! Yep, the parts of the squished fly, and some of that fly was then in my nose!!! Double Yuk Tripple yuk! Oh well, I survived, and the Kleenex, fly and all, are now in the garbage! Some days we just can't win! Make that, some weeks!

I have truly enjoyed chatting with you all. Oh, how I wish we could send gifts to every one of you! This Bits of Home Chat and the Christmas greeting will have to suffice, but Jesus is with you and will never leave nor forsake you, and that is more than we could give you in all of eternity! Praise His name! Bye for now as I am off to the kitchen for lunch with hubby! Again, Merry Christmas from the Earleys, Carl and Kay



<u>Memory Verse:</u> For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

<u>Verses to Ponder:</u> Old Testament prophecies: Jesus' birth was foretold in Micha 5:2 and Isaiah 7:14. Jesus' lifeworks were foretold of his preaching and healing in Isaiah 61:1, and his rejection in Isaiah 53:2 and 3. Jesus' entering into Jerusalem Zecheriah 9:9. Can you find the New Testament places where these are fulfilled?