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## News from Gail Ereddia

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***In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.*** 1 Thess. 5:18

During the Thanksgiving season, I was reminded of many things for which I am thankful. Here are just a few of them:

- **The privilege of being able to serve the Lord in full-time Christian ministries all of my adult work life.** This year I completed 38 years of service with MGMI.
- **Help with physical needs.** When I left for Mexico, people were still using typewriters on their desks. When I moved to Phoenix in 1987, they were just beginning to be used. My desire to work as diligently and as quickly as possible, led me to be a “pioneer” among those afflicted with computer injuries (I was the first patient they had ever treated at the hospital therapy center!). I’ve had to deal with 24/7 pain since then, but the greatest blessing from this has been the provision of the Lord of my dear and godly friend, Lorraine Paquette, gifted occupational therapist, certified hand therapist, certified massage therapist...and many more specialties! She has kept me in splints and works on my muscles, all of which enable me to serve the Lord and assist our MGMI team.

And when Lorraine can’t see me, the Lord has provided David Miranda at Miranda Physical Therapy. David was in high school(!) when I moved to Phoenix, and his mom Tracy worked in the church office with me. David continues to help me with numerous issues, including my back after my work injury in 2012. Recently he’s been working on my shoulder/neck/head pain which was making me dizzy and causing headaches. I’m able to use my medical insurance to see David, with reasonable co-pays. Amazingly, the Lord put it on someone’s heart to pay for my recent co-pays!

- **A place to live**—The housing market has skyrocketed in Phoenix (among everything else!), making housing very unaffordable. If it wasn’t for my friend and former co-worker, Cindy Winter, I might be in a homeless shelter! In 2015 we agreed that I would move back into the apartment she owns and that she and I shared for many years until she moved back home to take care of her parents’ health needs. She was renting it out, and she’s allowing me to live here for a reasonable rent, for which I am so thankful. The “Missionary Motel” is always open, and I love having enough room to provide a place for His servants to stay when needed.
- **The ability to walk again without a walker or a cane.** You may recall that after a fall in December of 2018, I needed a walker or a cane. For the last six months, I’m delighted to say, I have been able to walk without them!
- The most important one—**Salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.** Our great God left the glories of Heaven to come to Earth to die on a cruel cross to pay the penalty for our sins so that we can spend eternity with Him. What amazing love! When we celebrate Christmas this year, may we do so with a grateful heart for all His blessings and mercies toward us.

Needless to say, these are just a **few** things for which I am thankful. As always, I’m thankful, too, for your prayers and support. May the Lord bless each of you with a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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