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Thanksgiving & Christmas months:

If anyone has a **multitude of motives** to be thankful for, it's certainly me: God has been so real in my life especially when death has been & is so close. In these past two years battling with lung cancer along with TB, diabetes and kidney disease, and even COVID-19! I have learned to be thankful for things most people take for granted. May God help me to not be a “persona no grata”!

November has been full, of doctors visits, blood tests, parties (my oldest daughter turned 60)! And a family thanksgiving (a few over the limit in attendance). I passed my annual eye exam with 20 x 20 vision (with trifocals)! Another set of memories made with 4 of my children & their families took me to a mountain cabin get away in Sevierville, TN. I was asked to give a Sunday morning devotional.

Another meeting we had booked to speak in a supporting church had to postpone due to COVID-19 in members of the church. Hopefully this will be re-booked early next year, 2021.

The first week of **December has been much of the same**: My Kidney doctor postponed my visit due to me having a high fever. He did talk personally with my son James and explained that all looked well on my blood test results. Then the doctor himself called me by phone and we talked. His secretary will be in touch to reschedule another in-office visit for next year. On Dec. 3rd I had my 40th lung cancer treatment. I am to see my kidney doctor on the 14th, a cancer treatment # 41 on the 17th, a phone visit with my pulmonary doctor on the 21st and see my heart doctor on the 22nd. I was able to do my vision test at our local DDS in Between and renew my driver's license (at no cost, as I am a veteran).

Christmas Eve at home with small number of family. Then **Christmas Day** at Andrew's home in Cumming, GA with all the trimmings, of course. And add a few more pounds to what Thanksgiving had already added. Finally, on the 27th I will (Lord willing) complete **my 81st birthday**.

What better way to close out the year with welcoming the God Man, Emmanuel, Jesus Himself in our daily activities, I am proud to say: **Jesus is my Savior & He is my Lord**. I believe I could see Him soon. May God abundantly bless us all in the coming 2021. “Come quickly Lord Jesus. Amen”.

Gratefully yours - Dr. Phillip Allen

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