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Dear Ones,

There are lights all around our Belmopan neighborhood. No one would doubt that it is the time most celebrated in the year. It is time to remember the Light of the World and that JESUS TOOK ON SKIN to identify with us in this world. I wonder if Mary knew that one day Jesus would perform miracles and walk on water! There is so much to consider about His life and work, and for which to rejoice. Yet few are talking about Jesus.

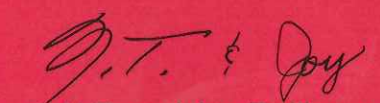
Joy and I celebrated our 54th wedding anniversary this year - how the years have flown! Forty-eight of those years have been spent on the mission field to which God called us. We thank the Lord for the measure of health He has given us, and as we continue ministry we know our strength comes from Him alone.

Both Stephen and Jeffry were here during the summer. It was a joy to see them return to the land of their youth. They enjoyed the beauty of Caye Caulker and visits with old friends. Later we were delighted to spend time with our grandsons in Tucson. Our gatherings with family are too few and far between!

In the New Year Joy and Stephen are going to India on a mission trip. In her teen years Joy thought she was going to India as a missionary, and in college she attended the India prayer group. So when Stephen heard about this trip with his church group, he immediately thought his Mom would be interested and invited her. God is giving them the privilege and opportunity to minister among children and widows.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We also want to ask you to pray for leadership in the Belmopan church, and that growth of leadership will be fostered as we re-start the extension seminary.

With the love of Jesus,

  
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