



January 2010

Dear Prayer Warriors,

It's 2010; can you believe it? WOW, time sure has flown by! Well, I am back in NM, and it was the next day that we got snow. But, I sure am glad to be home! I unpacked my truck, put away my clothes, put the Mailbox Club lessons back on the shelves, as well as the prizes and stickers that were donated and bought in NJ. Thanks to all who donated towards the MBC. I even had to mail three boxes here from NJ because I didn't have that much room left in my truck.

I had a very good trip home. I left on Nov. 28 (note to self, do not travel the weekend after Thanksgiving), had a meeting in WV on the 29<sup>th</sup>, and then traveled up to Kentucky to go to the Creation Museum. I wasn't able to make it that far, so I called a friend/supporter who lives in Wilmore, KY. This family opened their home (last minute) to me, for which I am truly thankful.

This visit brought back many precious memories of Camp Delanco, where I was "truly" saved. (This is where I understood that accepting Christ was a personal relationship, not just a "ticket" out of hell.) It was also the place where I committed my life to full-time missions. The reason that it brought back memories is because the husband was the missionary speaker when I was a camper at Camp Delanco. He was heading to Kenya. I followed his ministry, wrote to him, and prayed for him. I have "followed" him through the years and watched his family and ministry grow. Now they are "watching" me as I am on the mission field. It was a time of encouragement and blessing! Thank you so much!

I left on Monday morning and headed to the Creation Museum. All I can say is I wish I had more time to spend there. It was a great reminder of what an awesome God we have. I left the museum and ended up on I-40 somewhere between Nashville and Memphis, TN. Then I drove to El Reno, OK., and from there to Albuquerque, where I did some shopping, although I couldn't do too much because of the lack of space in my truck. Then I went on to Gallup, where I stayed for AWANA because it was time to get out of my truck for a while. After AWANA, I went home, unpacked the truck, and breathed a sigh of relief. "There's no place like home." The Lord gave me great weather and safety as I traveled. I was supposed to travel with fellow missionaries, but my "drive" to be home prevented that. They were also delayed because of driving with a trailer and two dogs. They experienced a "white out" as they came home on Thursday. My co-workers also were coming home that Thursday and tipped their van. No one was hurt. God had me travel the "right" days. Thank You, Lord.

Well, since I've been home, it's been a "whirlwind." I got most of my stuff unpacked. Two of my bins were Christmas presents, so I put up my Christmas stuff and wrapped presents as I unpacked them. After that, I needed to get my Christmas cards out and catch up on MBC.

Christmas was wonderful! I was able to spend it with "family" here at BABR. I don't care how old you get, it's that time of year that brings the "kid" out in you. We also had our New Year's Eve party, which was a whole lot of fun. Now, the best part—we had our winter retreat on Dec. 27-30 with 117 young people (13-19). One of our former staff, who is now a pastor, was the speaker. I heard that several made decisions for Christ and many were touched by God in one way or another. My friend and I worked the snack shop. It was good to see the young people getting to know other young people. Please pray that they will continue to walk with the Lord.

Now that the "whirlwind" of activities is done, it is time to get back into a "routine." This is how my schedule looks so far.

- Monday: a.m. – prayer meeting  
p.m. – BABR Bible studies
- Tuesday: p.m. – Bell choir
- Wednesday: p.m. – Church library/after-AWANA
- Thursday: All day – clean house, catch up on MBC, miscellaneous stuff.
- Friday: Usually prepare for or host a retreat.
- Saturday: Retreat or other activity
- Sunday: a.m. – CHURCH



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I'd better close. I hope that this letter will help you to pray for me more effectively. Your prayers for me are precious and much-needed. Also, thanks to all who opened their churches for me to share this ministry with you and to those who opened their homes for dinners or an overnight stay. Thank you to all who sent cards/letters as well as generous Christmas gifts. Thank you all for your kindness. Thanks to all who support me financially and through your prayers. Just a reminder, if any of you took my response cards, please send them in right away. Thanks!

In Christ,

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