

"The eyes of the LORD your God are always on it, from the beginning of the year to the very end of the year." Deut. 11:12



No matter how often it happens, it's always a special occasion when deer wander by our window. In the summer they nibble on the clematis and snack on the petunias. In winter they leave dainty footprints in the snow. These visits may seem unusual to you since our home is in the city. We consider them a blessing and sample of God's tender love for us.

Actually, 2009 was a total year of experiencing God's blessings and love. The blessing of His healing power has been very evident since Tom's major, eight hour back surgery in September. Pain, which has been his nemesis for years, is gone!! Although, we know the recovery will be long, we don't know how much walking ability will return, however, we do know God is good all the time.

Besides the enjoyment of working on various creative projects and making sure Tom behaves himself, Lois continues to care for our four non-stop grandchildren in Denver two days a week. Now that's not just a blessing, that's fun! We are praying the bus line she takes each week won't be discontinued due to municipal budget cuts. Karen graduates in May with an MA in family counseling.

Personal blessings abound. There have been frequent visits with houseguests and friends, including a wonderful Forever Family reunion with former HCJB colleagues. Our over-the-top 50th anniversary family reunion is a great memory. A week in Hawaii is coming up as well as other special events. Our children stay in close contact. We love our church and small group.

It continues to amaze us that the Lord gives us opportunities to serve Him. Tom not only helps HCJB retirees keep in touch through a monthly email newspaper he compiles, he is still involved with the World Radio Network, which has 20 broadcast facilities along the US / Mexico border. He heads up the development committee of the board of trustees and travels to McAllen, TX twice a year. A recent phone call Tom made resulted in \$150,000 to purchase the transmitter site needed for several of the WRN stations in Southern Arizona. Even in hard economic times God provides and the Gospel will continue on radio in Mexico and all over Cochise County. It's a blessing to be included in His plan.

We trust you are rejoicing in the greatness of God who has the whole of history in His sights and whose Kingdom we will all attend in wonder and awe. **Happy New Year.** May 2010 be a year of knowing God has His eyes on you and is blessing you each and every day.

In His love,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom & Lois". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

