

“As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of your calling...Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God”

Ephesians 4:1; 5:1.

Spending time this summer in the ruins of ancient Ephesus, and significant ministry areas for Paul in Greece, then returning to Rome, where St. Paul wrote the Ephesian letter, reminded us of the imperative of the gospel of Christ, and the way we should live as his disciples.

We celebrate with you this Christmas that “...the Word became flesh (Emmanuel) and lived among us...” John 1:14. Amen!



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# GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER

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*Golden wedding anniversary reception on the MVNU campus!*

Many thanks to our friends who joined us on October 5 for the 50th wedding anniversary reception, hosted by Stephen and friends in Mount Vernon. What a beautiful evening with friends with whom we have worked and served in years gone by. Austin Swallow decorated the room beautifully and prepared the dessert reception tastefully.

The photos above represents the faculty and staff, board members and special friends who visited with us. We will never forget the evening.

We will travel to Brisbane, Australia in February 2013 for a four month volunteer assignment. Please pray for us while on this assignment. We look forward to seeing many of you next June in Indianapolis at the Nazarene General Assembly!

**Enjoy a blessed Christmas season!**

**WE CELEBRATED...THE ENTIRE YEAR!**

Since we do not celebrate the **50th** wedding anniversary often, we thought we should take the special year, return to places we have worked and re-connect with at least some of the beautiful people with whom we ministered. And, so we did! Wow! What a year! Three months in the Philippines. An anniversary cruise to Italy and Greece. A week of “backpacking” in Italy. A golden wedding anniversary reception, hosted by Stephen, at MVNU. Returning to our first pastorate in Norristown, PA, and our last pastorate before we departed for ENBC. Very special!

**ASIA PACIFIC NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, Manila, Philippians. January 1 - April 2.**

We lived on campus in a one bedroom apartment next to the men’s dorm! Anne enjoyed interacting with the APNTS family. LeBron taught three classes. Spoke in a Manila wide Leadership conference. We traveled to VNBC and LNBC for commencement and other assignments. Enjoyed the chapel services! Spent time with faculty, staff and students. Very special!



*The chapel at the center of the Asia Pacific Nazarene Theological campus, and some male students who lived next door to us on campus!*

**ANNIVERSARY CRUISE TO ITALY AND GREECE, JUNE 22-JULY 2.**

We returned in our anniversary month to one of our favorite European countries, Italy. We spent the evening before the cruise with dear friends, Rev. and Mrs. Salvatore Scognamiglio. What a scrumptious and authentically Italian meal Milvia prepared for us! The cruise took us to Sicily, Athens, Ephesus, three Greek Islands, and Naples! Yes, we backpacked for one week following the trip. Never again!



*Alice and Lee Woolery with us at. Beautiful, beautiful Venice, Italy! the Coliseum in Rome.*

**MEMORY TRIP TO PASTORAL ASSIGNMENTS, OCTOBER 11-17.**

In October, we traveled to eastern Pennsylvania, where we met with approximately 20 adults from the old Lansdale Emmanuel church gang, lunched with friends from our first pastorate at the Norristown, PA First Church, met MVNU alumni, visited friends and attended worship service at the Avon-Grove Nazarene Church, our last pastorate before moving to ENBC.



*First Church of the Nazarene, Norristown, PA, USA*

*Avon-Grove Church of the Nazarene, West Grove, PA USA*