

"And all the people saw him walking and praising God; and they were taking note of him as being the one who used to sit at the Beautiful Gate of the temple to beg alms, and they were fi lled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him." Acts 3:9-10 NASB

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Thanksgiving and Rejoicing Go Together

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It seemed appropriate to mention thanksgiving and rejoicing at this time of year, since they really do go well together. I am including some family pictures here from our recent Thanksgiving weekend fun. I am so grateful for my family and also for my family in the Body of Christ. I hope you are finding many ways to give thanks and to rejoice in God's goodness, even though you may be struggling in these very uncertain times. My heart is burdened for some who are facing desperate situations. Our prayer for you this holiday season is that you experience deep and abiding peace in the midst of your busy schedules, financial challenges, health issues or any other things which may be weighing heavily on your hearts. Let's laugh more, sing more, praise more. *The Lord truly delights in our praise.*

I was reminded this morning of a fabulous portion of Scripture from II Chronicles 14:11 "King Asa prayed to the Lord his God: 'O Lord, there is no one but you who can help the weak when they are vastly outnumbered. Help us, O Lord our God, for we rely on you and have marched on your behalf against this huge army. O Lord our God, don't let men prevail against you!"" (The NET Bible) How often do you feel you are marching against an enemy which vastly outnumbers you? Your response? Trust, Obey, Wait. God will bring the victory and strike down the enemy on your behalf.

Here are some of our family fun times: food, football rivalry, games and musical chairs:



Have a glorious time of celebration and please continue to pray for us as we seek to complete our fourth translated Bible study, *"Breaking Free: The Journey, the Stories."* Our dear Romanian speaking sisters abroad anxiously await this study, so we are asking the Lord for the remaining funds to complete this project. Your year-end gift will be greatly appreciated. You can donate online at our website www.beautifulgatetranslations.org or via our mailing address in the left column.



With thanksgiving and rejoicing, Paulette and gang