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News Notes

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Hello. Today is my birthday. I woke up at 6:00 a.m. with the first call from son, Larry, who lives in Michigan, to wish me a happy day. From Mexico came a note from fella-widder, Billie Sloan conveying her desire that someone would do something special for me today. It isn't 9 a.m. yet and on my phone/WhatsApp, already messages have come from 14, plus 3 groups, of family and friends. THAT is special. Nothing could be more heart-felt and heart-warming than the love expressed by each.

In August is the anniversary of the first church service of the Templo Bautista of Las Lomas. We celebrate 49 years on the first Sunday in August if Jesus has not caught us all up to Heaven by then.

The church has "daughter churches", so many I dare not try to count, but it is a BIG blessing. Of my supporters, most have supported Jim Willis' work in Panama for 50 years or almost. For that I stand amazed and recognize it is the Lord's doing. Yet, I want to say "Thank You".

Still active, just a lot slower, I want to express my gratitude to those who have me in their "Widows' Care Program". Without you, where and how would I "stay"? (Jim used to enjoy one group of people that almost never ask each other where they live, but, where they "stays".)

At the Ladies' conference here last week, I marveled that the speaker, Magaly de Santiago had been a teen girl sitting before me as I taught, years ago, now I sit before her, with two of her daughters, graduates of North Valley Bible College in California, learning from her! Love and greetings, Elaine