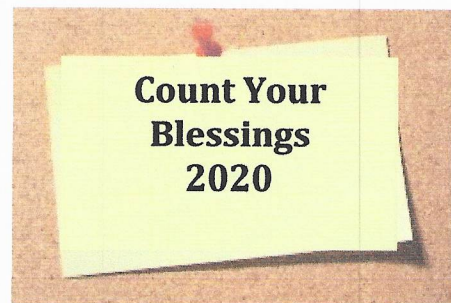


Bixby Bulletin

Season's Greetings!



It is that time of the year again when everyone gets into the holiday mood. That might mean something different this year, but it is still a wonderful time to reflect on God's blessings.

The song "Count Your Blessings" has been running through my mind for days. I cannot even imagine how many times that song was sung around our dining room table throughout the years! We always started our meals with a song and prayer. When we had company, Bob often began singing "Count Your Blessings." I am sure it came in a close second to his favorite, "Thank You, Lord."

I could never innumerate all of God's blessings to me. I have so many wonderful memories of our life on the mission field, fulfilling His calling every day. I am blessed and grateful as I contemplate the calling God gave us.

This year, in spite of Covid, we were all able to be together for a family reunion. What a thrill it was to my heart to see my children and grandchildren interact together. A special treat was that we were all able to participate in Donna's commissioning service before she left for Africa in August. I am blessed by my wonderful family.



My plans have changed so many times over the last few months that even I can't keep up with them. I had tickets to return to France the Tuesday after they went into lockdown on Sunday. Since then I have tried to make plans to return but something (Covid!) always seems to block the way. My plans for Christmas are still unsure. I long to be able to see family and friends there but the timing is in the Lord's hand. I am blessed to live in an age where we can communicate instantly—no matter if we can't be there for a real visit.

Another blessing that I count every day is you—my friends and supporters. You have prayed for us for years and since Bob's home going, I know you have continued to pray for me. Some of you have continued to support me in my retirement. I am blessed to have you in my life.

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and above all, don't forget to count your blessings,

May God bless you,
Bonnie Bixby