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Dear Trace + Ida Rose,

I'm glad they transferred you to a more civilized mission, even though the divers are still wild. It's great to hear of your spiritual experiences, and I know there must be much frustration + hardship in between.

Hopefully Joyce + I can follow your footsteps some day, but Africa? Nathan is now 8 age, + we hope he will feel the spirit of missionary work soon. Right now he loves his new Celica. No girls though. He has lots of fine qualities, but he is too much of a loner.

We certainly have the proverbial white Christmas. Snow plow at the store almost 3 days in a row. But business is still good even in the face of recession. First of the year we will have a real 'honey' working for us, a Honeywell computer. Should make our work fun + easy.

Here is a quote from the Gospel Doctrine teacher's manual that fits you + Wendell + others in the Lord's work. "As truly great souls arrive at a certain degree of spirituality, their hearts naturally turn to the welfare of their fellowman." More great souls could make this world more like Paradise. Keep up the good work.

Merry Christmas + Happy New Year,
Gene + Joyce

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