

Especially for you
at Christmas
with warmest thoughts
and wishes

Dear Brother and Sister Hall

I pray that Heavenly Father
will bless you with many
choice blessings. May the old,
but always new Miracle of
Christmas be yours with peace
health and happiness. With my
love and prayers. Opal Field

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Dear Brother and Sister Hall,

I am so ashamed for not writing sooner and more often. I pray for you every day and think of you so very much. I read this little poem and it is like I am.

Somehow the days keep slipping by,
with so much left undone.

The letter that I meant to write
just never was begun.

But those for whom we really care are
in thoughts so much,

That now, when Christmas comes again

I am glad to get in touch.

I really did think I would write before Thanksgiving but just let time get away. I had most of my family here for the Thankful day. There were 25 here and it was good to be together.

There were four grandchildren four ^{years old} and younger and four great grandchildren three ^{years} and younger. It was a fun day for everyone. It took me a few days to get rested up but was so grateful that I was feeling better so I could have them here.

2 - Larry and Sue had their darling baby girl on Aug. 10th. That was the 20th grand child and a great grandchild was born on July 8th being the 4th G. G. child.

Larry is really working very diligently as the Bishop of his ward. Thiers is among the top in the Stake. Sue is a very sweet and patient wife and mother, and a great help to Larry even with the two children. Matthew turned 4 on Aug. 30th so he is a good helper when I want to be and loves the baby very much.

Larry is 1st Counselor to the bishop in his ward and is also very busy.

Marcia is also a help to Larry and their children, ~~at~~^{will} soon 4 and 2. They are also very sweet and loving (most of the time). I ~~am~~ happy that they like to come and visit me usually on Sunday evening whenever possible. Sometimes for home evening. They were all here this last Sunday evening and we all had an enjoyable time together. If the other children don't get here they call me and that helps a lot also. I don't know how I would make it if it were not for my children and grandchildren & G. G. children.

3/ I have a grandson in the Bristol England mission and doing very well, and will be home in April now that they only have to be gone the 18 months. I also have a granddaughter in the Tampa Florida mission. She is also doing great and enjoying it very much.

David Beesly was operated on two weeks ago for blockage of the intestines. He is getting along very well but hasn't been out much yet. I suppose you have heard of Max Hill's heart operation, he also seems to be getting much better.

I have really had a difficult time trying to write this letter. I had just got started and received word that dear El Tueller had fallen and broke her hip. She was at a practice for a skit and had a bad fall. She is to be operated on Wednesday. She hasn't felt very well for some time but still keeps going. She really does do more than she has the strength to do and her leg has still been bothering her quite a bit. They have really had more than their share of medical problems, the fall that Walt had was

so very serious and he still has
problems. I am so very sorry for El
and Walt they have really had more
than their share this year and
earlier. I truly hope and pray she
gets along very well during and after the
surgery with no complications.

I sincerely hope and pray that
you are both well now and that things
are going very satisfactory for you.

I hope you have a very nice Christmas
and that 1983 will be a very special
year for you. I miss you very much,
you are so very special to me. I pray
you will have choice blessings and
and wonderful experiences. May the
gifts of the gospel that you give to
others return to you a hundred fold.

My sincere love and appreciation
Opal