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Dear Fellow Missionaries, Pastors & Friends:

As I write this letter, I am down with the flu-bug. I've been battling it for over a week, but I have taken a turn for the better. Dixie use to say, "You never get sick, but when you do, you really get sick." When I was sick, she waited on me hand and foot. I sure miss her. This past Sunday (yesterday) although I was sick, I did make it to our Japanese Church Service. My voice would not permit me to preach, but my son Paul did a truly remarkable job. His Japanese sure is good. We had a wonderful service. Due to our attendance back on the way up, we now have started a weekly Bible Study in the homes of our members. This week we also have scheduled a Japanese children's meeting on Saturday at Baptist Temple. We expect maybe 15 to 20 children. In addition to this, Thursday I have a Precious Memories Support Ministry meeting in Paul's church in Mt. Vernon and another one at Baptist Temple here in Springfield. So you can see, I must get better...and really ASAP. I was thinking the other day. Not everyone understand Japanese or even English in the world, but there is a language that everyone understands. *The language of love is understood by all the world*.

As I find time, I am writing a book with the intent of encouraging and comforting those who have lost a spouse. It is not easy writing such a book because I must recall my own experiences as well as those who attend the Precious Memories Support Ministry. But I believe strongly that the Lord is leading in this ministry. With that in mind, if you want to start one in your church, you can go to www.billhathawayministries.org to view and copy a brochure you can hand out and a handbook showing how to start and maintain the ministry. Soon, I hope to have my web site complete with all my ministries. There will be a page for the Precious Memories Support Ministry, the SOS Soulwinning ministry, the Japanese Ministry and the radio ministry.

I did not take any new pictures last month so I will put one here of an old picture of Dixie and I taken a few years ago. We were in our Sunday-go-to-meetin' clothes. You may be saying, "really?"

To you who support us financially and you who support us with your prayers, I want to say, 有難う御座いました (Thank you very much.)

Yours, Serving Our Savior (SOS), together,

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I want you to know that "You're SomeOne Special!"