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Dear Friends,

Do you remember the letter Walt sent out after we moved to our new home in Indianapolis titled, "A House of Death"? In it he wrote, "People move here in the fall of life, awaiting winter when life is no more. We do not move to such a facility en-route somewhere else. We come preparing to die."

I confess of all of Walt's letters, I had the hardest time with this one. To me it seemed morbid, and I wasn't moving here to die. With much prayer and what I hoped was a submissive spirit, I approached my beloved and asked him if he would please consider a different approach. He calmly said, "No." Then I asked if he would please change the title. "No." At this point I used my last piece of logic and said, "It is so shocking!" To which he replied, "That's the point."

I have been here for two-and-a-half years, and I realize that though Walt always said he was not a prophet, in that letter he was. Little did I know that the Lord would call him home ten months from our arrival, now I also see things from a different perspective.

Making friends is easy in this environment, but a new challenge for me has been witnessing. First, most of us have an increasing hearing loss and don't grasp what is being said. My second biggest challenge is that residents here know their Christian vocabulary and communicate they don't have any Spiritual needs. Unexpectedly, this Easter, the Lord opened a door for me to do Bible Study with a small group of ladies. Bible Study is new for them, because all they have experienced is attending lectures on passages of Scripture. We started right before Easter with the Seven Last Words of Christ on the Cross. They love discussing the Scripture we have studied, and they ask endless questions. Following that short study they wanted to do another one, so we started a study on heaven: "What God Has Prepared for You" (Part I) and "How Do You Prepare for It" (Part II). When I gave them the study, I didn't realize how appropriate it is for our age group, 77-89 years 😊

If the Lord brings it to mind, I would appreciate prayer for the Holy Spirit's leading in the study that we deal with the issues the Lord wants us to discuss and special prayer for one who is not a believer as yet. She is openly discussing and asking questions. I am so grateful for this opportunity, for the wisdom and insight of Walt and for his teaching me the difference between doing Bible study and studying the Bible.

Thank you for your generosity, encouragement and love,

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