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What do you need this year? Chances are that it is something which money cannot buy. I have several needs, the first of which is to express gratitude. Thank you for being part of the Body of Christ for me and for all who have needed you this past year. Your support through prayer, kind words of encouragement, and of sharing of your God-given blessings have blessed not only me, but thousands across the world. I am thankful for the "daily bread" which God gives to us all... today let us receive it with thanksgiving. I also need hope. So do you.

When centenarians, those over 100 years on this earthly journey, are asked about their secret to longevity, it always centers on hope. God has a promised future for us and for this so-loved world. May this fill us all with hope.

May our God, in mysterious ways, grant you what you need this Christmas. May God grant you the eyes of faith to both see and receive it.

Gratefully serving as your Bishop,

Bill Rindy

Pr. Bill Rindy

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- Philip Brooks, Stanza 3, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

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so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. - Romans 15:13, ESV*

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