



Christmas 2022

Hoping you have a Merry Christmas and Wishes for a Happy, Healthy New Year!!

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May the blessings that surround the birth of the Christ Child be with you and your family .Join us as we pray for peace on earth.

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Age is creeping up on us but we do want to keep connected to friends and family by adding our 55th annual missive to the other 54. Barb is also keeping up the tradition her parents started in 1951. We spent almost half our year on Cape Cod in Eastham, Massachusetts, staying in a small cottage across the patio from our daughter Gwyneth and her husband Rob's home. They winterized the small cottage so that whatever season we wished to come, we would be safe and welcomed. We also spent the Easter and Thanksgiving holidays with our younger daughter Susannah, her husband Luis and their delightful now 6 year old twins, Leo and Miles. Susannah and the boys also shared the little cottage with us for a week of August fun at the beach!

Our grandkids keep us proud and entertained. Gwyneth's daughter Camille received her master of science degree from Oxford University in the UK amid much pomp and circumstance which Phil and Barb watched from afar at 4:30 am in our time zone. Granddaughter Chloe is working on becoming a paramedic while working as an EMT living an hour off the Cape. Susannah's boys are in kindergarten and keep her hopping with all the extracurricular sports activities plus their own ideas of creative projects! Gwyneth continues to work from home and has added being president of her church to her already overwhelming schedule. While on Cape we do poop patrol and dog walking with Gwyneth's pups and frequent cat sitting with Chloe's escape artist cat.

Phil is facing his health problems with stoicism and come cheer: faithfully doing exercises twice a day with his video instructor "Jenny" and taking short walks. Barb has been doing longer trail walks wherever she finds herself. One big change recently is that we sold our second car and Phil has decided to no longer drive. Although Phil has restarted singing with his ukulele, neither of our voices are choir worthy so our singing is kept to ourselves. Barb remains active within the computing community, serving another 2-year term as chair of the ACM History committee. She attended the annual computing education conference of ACM-SIGCSE in Providence Rhode Island and a celebration of the 75th anniversary of the ACM in San Francisco. Church is still an important part of our lives, attending on Zoom, and in person both in Texas and on the Cape.

Peace and Love, *Phil and Barb*

Buteras clockwise: Chloe, Rob, Gwyneth, Camille



Riveras: top: Susannah, Luis
bottom: Miles, Leo

