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THANK YOU
(Ladies Edition)

The Bible teaches that Christians should be a thankful people. We have many things for which to give thanks. We can be thankful to God that He has allowed us the opportunity to be saved through obedience to Him. We can be thankful to God for sending His Son to shed the blood that washes away sin (Revelation 1:5). We should also be thankful for one another – our brothers and sisters in Christ. Paul, by inspiration of God, states, “Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints, ***Cease not to give thanks for you,*** making mention of you in my prayers” (Ephesians 1:15-16, emphasis mine). We should take the time to give thanks for one another and this will begin a series of articles in which we do just that. We will begin with the ladies of the congregation.

Thank You, Sister Martha Bentley, for your unflinching stand for the Truth. Thank you for all of the words of encouragement that you give and for being such a wonderful example to the younger members.

Thank You, Sister Debbie Caldwell, for your good example – doing all you can for the Cause of Christ, despite not having the fullness of health that most of us do. Thank you for your influence and the edification that it gives us all.

Thank You, Sister Diane Capps, for your desire to know and follow the Truth. Thank you for the good example you set for the younger ladies and for us all. Thank you for the humility and meekness your life exhibits.

Thank You, Sister Dede Carver, for your good example – also working hard in the Kingdom of Christ, though health has been a hindrance. Thank you for your gracious hospitality in allowing the new congregation to meet in the comfort of your home.

Thank You, Sister Ashleigh Green, for teaching the nursery class. Thank you for your kind and encouraging words and for your optimistic attitude.

Thank You, Sister Amanda Hatcher, for teaching our 2-5 year old class. Thank you for your sincere love for the truth and for the brethren. Thank you for defending and supporting those who are faithful.

Thank You, Sister Sara Johnson, for being a wonderful example to us all. Thank you for the wonderful encouragement you were to Brother Bill as he served in the highest of all offices – that of elder. Thank you for your commitment, hard work, and grace.

Thank You, Sister Chela Keever, for being such a nice person. Thank you for your kindness and

compassion. Thank you for your love of others and for bringing lost souls to Bible studies.

Thank You, Sister Sandra Simmons, for standing strongly beside Brother Barry as he labored as an elder. Thank you for your love for the truth and for your humble spirit.

Thank You, Sister Tresa Snyder, for the loyalty you showed to Brother David as he served as a Deacon. Thank you for your work as a teacher and encourager of children.

Thank You, Sister April Green, for your work as a teacher in our Bible class program. Thank you for your love and compassion for others, but thank you, most of all, for being my wife. Thank you for loving me without limits and for lifting me up when I am weak.

Thank You ladies for all you do in the Kingdom of Christ. Thank you for being good mothers, wives, and sisters in Christ. We also want to thank all of the ladies for the excellent meals they have provided as well as their patience and understanding towards the work of the men as we build this new congregation.

– Brad Green