Friday - March 8

God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God.

Ephesians 2:8

Through God's grace I have the hope of eternal life.

I began my journey of faith past 75 years of age, first coming to PUMC on April 20, 2014, becoming a member on September 7, 2014.

I first felt the feeling of love while listening to a song of love on the CD, "Enfolded in Love," sung by Christine Avers who is now in her glorious heavenly home. One day I will thank her for bringing me God's message of feeling really loved for the first time in my life. After that experience, I felt the love of God and the love from others. I now have more friends whom I know by name than I have ever known in my entire life, all through the grace of God. I remember playing this CD again and feeling someone touch my shoulder. I truly believe it was the hand of God.

The peace that I have experienced from God's grace has helped me to address other issues in my life which are much improved.

I now use my talents/gifts which I never would have had the confidence to do before experiencing God's grace. God has helped me reach out to help others through prayer, giving words of encouragement, or acts of help.

Passages in scripture that have helped me understand more about God's graces are:

"For the grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people." -Titus 2:11

"May God's grace be with you all." - Hebrews 13:25

"May the grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's holy people." - Revelations 22:21

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Prayer: Heavenly Father, I thank you for the grace that you have bestowed on my life. Thank you for sending your messenger to guide me on my journey of faith and life of grace. Sisters in Christ in two Bible study groups have been a great source of inspiration and help. In Jesus name I pray. Amen.