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Dear Ruth.

You have been in my thoughts and prayers most every day especially since Lorraine called. I sincerely hope you have found good help to bring you back to good health again. I can understand that your health problems must have weakened you quite a bit. That must be hard on such an ambitious person like you are.

I'll be leaving for Arizona Feb. 12th. I haven't been there on any long trip for 5 years so that's why Carla & Rick gave me a \$300 check for a Christmas gift. It sure will be good to see them again & also Dan who is now living with them until he gets established with a job & can earn enough rent for an apartment. I'm glad he quit working for the Church of Scientology. Since he had no money it's a bit difficult for him to start everything from scratch again. I really couldn't help him with much but I did send him money to tide him over. He is now doing carpentry work for a furniture company. I do feel confident if he keeps in good health he will be able to make a good living. He said he wants to live near me so he can be of help to me eventually. That made me feel good. I don't think I could thrive in hot climate. We've been having sub-zero weather lately & frequent snow falls so I've been doing a lot of shoveling. My brother in North Carolina said they had an all time low of 8° below zero.

When people ask me how I am I always say "fine" but I do have problems with insomnia high blood pressure obesity etc. So far no flu or colds for the past couple years.

Our Batavia Senior Club went on a bus trip to Ft. Atkinson, Wis to the Fireside Theatre to a Hawaiian show and a Hawaiian luau. The performers were Hawaiian & it was most enjoyable. We made it in spite of the snow.

I will try phoning you as soon as I can when I arrive in Tempe. My plane arrives around 3:15 P.M. Carla will pick me up from work. Hope your phone is still 1-415-366-6242 otherwise I'll use directory assistance.

Love to all, Elsa