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Dear Friends:

Your card or letter of love and sympathy should have a letter of appreciation and thanks, but there are at this moment so many I should write to that I hope you will forgive this short note.

Mary fell asleep in Jesus so suddenly that it came as quite a shock to me. I knew of course that she was in a very weak condition and that only a miracle would restore her again to good health. She hoped to recover and with me to go on with this fine work which the Lord has given to us.

She spent her last three weeks in the hospital, The heart specialist did all possible to rid her of fluid around her heart and he did succeed. He gave me every reason to believe that she would recover.

At 5 p. m., the day before Christmas, we had prayer together and read the Word, then I helped her with her supper, helped her get back into bed, then we decided I should go home early, for there had developed a very thick fog, and her last thought of me was concern for my welfare.

At ten p. m , in our home a telephone call from the hospital made me hasten back, but she had gone to be with Him she so greatly loved. I rejoice for her.

Again I say thank you for your expressions of love and sympathy.

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