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Ken,

Hi. It's 3:30 PM and I just got thru with all my work. Now it's just got for an hour to pass the time. How are you doing? Most likely very fine I'm glad. I'm counting the days till you come home to me. I'm looking forward to doing things with you again. I think it'll be a little different now, though. Don't ask me how; but I think we both grew up a little bit. I feel much closer to you and I appreciate <sup>you</sup> more. I don't know, I just think things will be different. I love you.

Well, we're not real busy here today. I went down to peds. ~~this~~ <sup>afternoon</sup>. There's these 2 little kids down there. Megan, who is 3 + she is a doll + Scott who's 2 1/2, + he's got such big blue eyes. He just stares at you + smiles. He's really fun to talk with. They're both in traction for fractured femurs - with their legs hanging in the air. I like to go in + just sit with them + talk to them. Megan was really sad today she was crying for her daddy. I was thinking how sad it would be if our little girl was in the hospital. That would be really hard to have to leave her there. It would be a really scary experience for her I'm sure. You wish that you could explain to them but they just can't comprehend. Anyway, these 2 children are really sweet. I'm glad I had free time to go in + talk with them.

So, I'm hoping that everyone is feeling better

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up there. I'm also wondering if you got your car fixed.

Well, I just got home from running - hope you're not disappointed in me cause I only ran 1 1/2 miles - way too hot and should pay muggy and besides - I'm beat today (too much excitement on Monday).

Tonight is a congregational meeting we're voting in new members + I forget what all. Shouldn't be too long. Henry could you remember to pray for Cindy - now she's not going to become a member and she's also said she's not sure of her salvation. Patty + her will be getting an apartment together. Patty feels bad to do that - she feels Cindy needs someone to be real close to her. I think it's a good idea. I'm glad that ~~Patty is willing to sacrifice her desires to live alone~~ because she's real concerned for Cindy.

Wow I'm really sweeted - must go + take a bath.

Just got home from congregational meeting - it wasn't too bad.

They picked a pulpit committee of 4 members - who's responsibilities lie in picking a candidate for pastor, i.e. checking qualifications.

I enjoyed working with a Mrs. Bartholomew today.

She's an 84 year old woman who is still very active + whose mind is still healthy. She's got a strong Irish brogue (sp?) and she's very honest. We're ambulating her DIO and I enjoy talking with her and I look up to her cause she's experienced a lot ~~but~~ and she's wise. I also talked with a Mr. Short who is 96 years old. He was so sweet and he just talked + talked + I was glad to listen to him cause I just

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seemed as if he needed to talk to get things out. And whenever he said something, he'd touch my hand and then he'd talk about his wife who is ill and he'd squeeze my hand and cry. He was really neat. His name's Mr. Short & his legs hang out of the bed cause his so long. I walked in and I said 'You can't be Mr Short' & that made him laugh. I love to hear about what things used to be like in the world and even though he knew a lot about the past situations, he was really up on current news, which I thought was great. Then when I left he said 'I really like you, miss. Thank you'. It almost made me cry to think that he liked me. Well, I really liked him too.

Then there's Mrs Osman. She fractured her elbow & is coming as an outpatient for work & exercise. Well, it's so neat to see her progress. Each time she comes, she gains about 10° of motion. Tomorrow's her last visit and I love to see such progress that can be measured each week. She tries so hard & is so cooperative. She does all her home exercise program and she really wants to get better. Talk about us motivating her - she motivates me!

Sorry to ramble on + on about my patients  
but I have a real good time getting to know them.  
I just must tell you one more. Greg is 13 and  
we percuss him a lot. He just loves to be put  
in all sorts of positions for postural drainage  
(which is one real neat thing you can do on  
kids - so their lungs can drain)

Anyway I told him to spit up whenever he  
could so each time I come back he shows me  
all he spit up after the treatment. He  
actually paves his tissues with sputum  
in!! I just thought it was funny. Then  
after he shows me he throws it out. He's so  
proud of it and when visitors come he acts  
like he's really something cause he gets percussed

Well, babe I'm gonna sign off now. I just  
felt like talking with you. I know I write  
a lot - I hope you don't mind. (I know you  
don't - too bad even if you do).

"Wait on the Lord; be of good courage,  
and he shall strengthen thine heart:  
wait, I say, on the Lord."

Psalm 27:14

Love You  
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