Dear Friends,

Well, another year is starting and I hope all is well with you and your group. I am privileged to have been elected to serve for another year as Chairman of the Board of Trustees. One of the things I tried to do this past year was to improve our communications by letting you know what was happening here. I hope that this effort has helped make us feel less isolated. I know that as a result I feel closer to N. A. as a whole. I'm going to try to write again this year and would very much like to hear from you also. I think that just keeping in touch is one of the most important things we can do to unite our fellowship.

One of the most exciting things for me last year was getting to meet some of you in Houston and elsewhere. I expect that my business will again take me out of the Los Angeles area a couple of times this year and I am looking forward to visiting some groups whenever I can. Between the trips, the World Service Conference, and this year's convention in Atlanta I hope to get to know a whole bunch more of you. I just can't express how much it means to me.

The year is just starting out and I'm looking forward to what it has to bring. If I can only stay out of the way and not place too many demands on reality. Even though April seems a long way off right now, I know that the World Service Conference will be here in no time. The preparations are starting to be made (Thank God I'm not quite so deeply involved this time) and you should soon start hearing from Sue I., this year's Chairperson. I'd like to encourage you and your Groups to also start thinking about the Conference while there is still enough time. Let's try to shoot for the best representation ever. It's so important!!

I received Christmas cards from many of you and even though I procrastinated too long on my own cards I'd like to Thank You-- it meant a lot. Please feel free to contact me personally at any time if there is anything you feel that I can help you with from here, or even just to say Hello!

Love & God Bless....

Greg Pierce