

Dear Friend,

Once again I say “Hello” to you and hope that you are okay, and finding something to do that makes you happy and contented with your lot in life.

Sadly, we are grieving the passing of Bev Miller, who has been a friend to many of us in her almost 15 years involvement in Friendship Centre. Bev will be greatly missed. We can be thankful in having known her and for her contribution to the on-going of our weekly Thursday mornings—especially for her home-made goodies for morning teas.

Friendship Centre breakup is only 2 weeks away (where has the year gone?). For catering purposes, please add your name to the list in the hall, or let me know if you intend to attend.

The next ‘Keeping in Touch’ letter will be a week later—9th December.

Until next time. Keep well. In friendship, Betty Francis.

What a Wonderful Explanation (Unknown author)

A sick man turned to his doctor as he was preparing to leave the examination room and said, "Doctor, I am afraid to die. Tell me what lies on the other side."

Very quietly, the doctor said. "I don't know"

"You don't know? You're a Christian man, and don't know what's on the other side?"

The doctor was holding the handle of the door; on the other side came a sound of scratching and whining, and as he opened the door, a dog sprang into the room and leaped up on him with an eager show of gladness.

Turning to the patient, the doctor said, "Did you notice my dog? He's never been in this room before. He didn't know what was inside. He knew nothing except that his master was here, and when the door opened, he sprang in without fear.

I know little of what is on the other side of death, but I do know one thing
I know my Master is there and that is enough."



Of course, the doctor was referring to Jesus as his Master. As a Christian he knows Him as his Saviour—the One who saved him from the penalty of his sin. Because of this, he is assured that there is a place in heaven for him, because Jesus promised it.

None of us really know what heaven is like. It will be beyond anything we can imagine. There are glimpses in the Bible of what is in store for those who will be there to spend eternity with Jesus—all who have put their trust in Him as their Saviour.

In the book of Revelation we read that Heaven will be filled with Peace, Joy, and Praise. There will be no more sickness, no more death, no more pain, no more crying or sadness. There will be no more sun or moon—for the glory of God will provide light. It is a beautiful place with streets of gold, the gates are made of pearl, and walls made of precious jewels. *Try and imagine that if you can!* (See Revelation, chapter 21)

As beautiful as it will be, for Christians, the best thing is that Jesus will be there. He said that He has gone before to prepare a place us. (John 14:2-3)

It is not by just being a good person, attending church, or helping others that will give us entry into Heaven. The Bible teaches that the only way to get to heaven is by accepting Jesus as your Saviour. Jesus, himself said,

"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life; no one comes to the Father except through Me."

John 14:6

(Pastor John is available if you feel the need to talk about this.)

We're here on earth a little while
 To live as best we can.
 To follow Jesus' teachings,
 And be kind to fellow-man.
 When we take Jesus as our Saviour,
 And accept the price He paid,
 To know that we are forgiven
 For sin and bad choices we have made.
 It's by God's grace and mercy
 We can go to our reward
 In heaven, one day we'll see Him,
 Our friend, our Saviour, our Lord.
 It will be a happy place,
 Where there's no tears, no pain, no sorrow.
 God only knows when that will be—
 Any time, maybe today or tomorrow.

Whenever it is that we are called
 This life on earth to depart,
 Leaving behind all temporal things,
 And eternity with Jesus to start.
 A wonderful reward there'll be for those
 Who know and love God's Son,
 The one who gave His life upon the cross,
 And paid the price for sin that we've done.
 Thank you, Jesus, that you made the way
 For us, to enter our heavenly place,
 Where we will live for ever with you,
 And see you face to face.

B. Francis
 (Reference: Book of Revelation)





- Pic 1.** Can you see a dog?
But can you see a baby and 2 adults?
- Pic 2.** Can you see a cat? But can you see two adults?
- Pic 3.** Can you see a rabbit? But can you see 2 smiling faces?

A retired older couple return to a Mercedes dealership where the salesman has just sold the car they were interested in to a beautiful, young woman.

"I thought you said you would hold that car till we raised the \$150,000 asking price," said the older man. "Yet I just heard you closed the deal for \$130,000 to the lovely young lady there. You insisted there could be no discount on this model."

"Well, what can I tell you? She had the ready cash and, just look at her, how could I resist?" replied the grinning salesman.

Just then the young woman approached the senior couple and gave them the keys. "There you go," she said. "See you later, mum and dad."

The Next Town (Submitted by David Carter)

A visitor to the town approached a local person and asked, "What's the quickest way to the next town?"

The local, scratched his head, "Are you walking or driving?" he asked the stranger.

"I'm driving," said the stranger.

"Well, that's the quickest way." *Received from Mikey's Funnies.*

The Delta Covid is expected to enter our State,
 When the borders are opened next week,
 Take care, wash hands, still wear a mask,
 Just do it—don't freak.

Some cause happiness wherever they go; others whenever they go.