

## Chunk 2

Thank you for all of the wonderful sermons and Wednesday night classes you have done over the years, They have been inspiring, encouraging and wonderful. You have also gotten me to read some books I might not have read otherwise. - Craig Strauss

Thank you Earl, you have enriched the life of my family. Blessings, - Barbara Johnson

You rock, Earl! Love Marti MacPhee

Dear Earl,

More power to you as you continue to exalt Christ the center. - Philip B. Payne

Dear Earl,

Love you and appreciate all you are and all you do. Thank you, Sonja Staley

God bless you Earl, I thank you for your influence in my life. Paul Sanders

I thank God for you and your family for your willingness to serve,. Love and follow and our Lord. Thank you for your words of wisdom and deepening my walk with the Lord. - Martha Weiss and Family

Hi Earl,

This service and celebration reminded me of a celebration in your honor some 40+ years ago - "This is your Life" I knew this was your 50th because I turn 50 this year. God bless you. - Craig Forehand

How could someone remember a passage from Hooper's essays on what CS Lewis' said about writing in over a decade? And when asked about it you're later able to locate the passage in the collection of letters. What a scholar. Blessings for all the lives you've shown Christ. Thank you, - Nancy S Potter

So.. What's next???

Words can't cover all you have done for us. Thanks and Blessings. Jerry and Bill Spauling

To a master storyteller! Thank you for sharing your joy w/ us. Liz and Randy Knapp

Earl,

From the first day we each walked into the doors of UPC you preached just to us. Thank you for being our beloved Pastor and bringing us closer to Jesus Christ and His word!

Warmly, Nadine and Robert Gibbon

Hey Earl -

What a fantastic teacher you are! Many thanks for helping me understand. - Clay A.

Earl,

Thanks for yours and Shirleys gift of self. - Lerna Gad

Earl,

Thank you for keeping the focus on the center. We always enjoy your sermons. Many Blessings, - Chris and Debbie Jott

You are God's special gift to many souls. Harry Christianson

Dear Earl,

Thank you for your blessing on our home and Seattle with your wisdom and teaching — We love you and look forward to many more sermons. - John and Mary Snyder

Earl,

Thank you for your faithfulness and glory to God's kingdom. And thank you for your good theology! Sincerely, Jason Shurland

Hi,

You don't really know me, but I'm in classroom 6D and you're awesome! Bye

Dear Earl,

Thank you... For introducing me to Narnia, all those college briefing years, your continuing encouragement and friendship. Linda sends her love! - Sally Salder

Where the lines cross - the top of Mt. Shasta sermon you have been my favorite preacher well before too have been my pastor with in Him. - Kathleen Miller.

Earl,

The Lord has blessed us with you! Blessings always, Julie Jackson

Dear Earl,

Thank you for sharing your gift of teaching and helping me understand God's word. I pray that you may continue. - Charles Patera

Thanks for leading a mission-minded church. Karen and Ron Stoufer

Earl,

I thank you for being such an outstanding leader and teacher to me. You've touched me in numerous ways, it's incredible. You have been such a blessing to UPC and all the life around it and what a joy is it to hear God through your voice. You're appreciate and honored by so many human beings and what a privilege it is to know you. Thank you!! God bless, Elizabeth A. Melrose

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Thank you for your service. - Erica Hanson

Dear Earl,

We love and appreciate you and all of the pearls of wisdom you've imparted to us. Your enthusiasm is contagious, and encourages each of us to live our lives to the fullest God has far us! We love you!! - Adams Family

God's Love

Sunday by Sunday we appreciate your faithfulness Earl. And thanks Shirley, for sharing him! May God continue to bless you. Thorpe and Lucinda Kelly

Thank you! - ChiChi

Earl,

Thanks for being such a huge influence on our lives! Mike and Kelly Yuceri

I'm glad you stayed on! Blessings on you and your family! From, Margaret Kanorgan

With gratefulness for the many ways you have touched our lives - Sally and John Dreschin

Thank you for the full discussions and lessons with John Medina. They have been very enriching. - Anna Joyce Nelson

Earl,

Your wise biblical teaching have been a huge inspirit and encouragement! Laura Christianson

Sarah Wayne

Thanks for the wonderful "ride" You gave me instructions for he path ahead when you married us 44 years Aho and you continue to do so now. Norm and Vivian Johnson

One Wonders! - Stan

Papa Thank you for teaching about God but wherever you are and whenever it is you will always be my one of my favorite Grandparents I love you! Thank you! - Sarah your granddaughter

Thankful to be in His adventures with you Earl! - Bruce Bale

Earl and Shirley,

You are an example to us in so many ways, not the least of which is how to be lifelong partners and empowering parents. Thank you is too small. - Marcia Cecil

We love you more than you know Papa Earl! - Your Hong Kong Family Jon, Kara Diane and Drew and Tommy

Earl,

Thanks for your great energy and passion for Christ. You explain the word in such a practical way and I'm blessed to have you in my life. The trip to Oxford and all the stories we have are such a blessing. Thank you for your time here - Jim Gresham

Thank you for bring our family to the Lord — We joined UPC when our children were attending college at the UW — They have taken their faith walk to all parts of the US and the world. WE remain members learning from your teachings a greater understanding for the love and grace of our Lord Savior Jesus! Rick and Jan, Troy and Travis Messer, and Laura Sue Wother

Earl,

God has given you great talents and you have used them well. It inspires us to do the same. (The previous sentence states just one of them.) A grateful person... Arbana P.

Thank you Jack

Earl,

You have been a wonderful blessing to our family. Thank you for sharing God's love with all of us. In Christ, Paul and Pat Collins, David and Autumn Collins, Andre Collins, Phillip Collins.  
Many thanks from Marilyn and Stanley

Earl,

I can't begin to say how much you've done to enrich and deepen my faith. Your leadership of the congregation is encouraging our world. Thanks for your example and for sharing the secret, that you don't have to stop having fun when you grow up. Many Blessings, Lynn Tissell

Earl, Thanks for faithfulness to God's call to UPC and the impact you've had here, You are one of my heroes. God's Peace, Mark Pearson

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Keeping my weight on the downhill ski and enjoying the adventure! Thanks for the great advice! - Kathy O'Laughlin

Earl, Thanks for being a teacher and storyteller. You pass on and share your wisdom to all generations. - Dianna Philbec

Earl and Shirley: Very best wishes for the many years ahead - Ron and Didi

Earl: Hey! Keep Smiling! We are. Thanx - Jim Fry

Thank you for all God has taught me through you Earl. You continue to teach me how to integrate my faith and live and listen to the spirit, daily. Blessings to you and family. Ruthanne McPhaden

Thank you, thank you thank you! And thank you once again! My faith, and many many other's, is richer because you generously share Christ with your whole heart! MaryAnn Nordgren

Earl Thank you for making connections between literature and real life and how that is our life in Christ! Blessings, Betty Brennan

Earl: Small towns, and real people - it's no wonder you amounted to something! - David Watt

Earl, I will never forget when the sanctuary was being remodeled and services were held in Larson. Instead of having the choir, a worship team was used. I was singing that Sunday, and when you announced to the congregation to greet one another, you walked over to me and rubbed the top of my freshly shaved head! Love you!

Thank you Earl and Shirley for all you do to spread the Word! Love to all, - Myron and Jackie Saylor  
Climb high in the mountains we love!

Earl - I knew you were a splendid man of God the first time I heard you speak of C.S. Lewis! Thank you, Elaine

Earl thank you for our many memories of God's faithfulness. Ron and BaWon Brown

Thanks for supporting university ministries throughout th years. I became a christian at 1st Pre Berkely and continue to support UMin 2 decades later. Brenda TaamNg

Earl,

Blessings to you and your family! Our family appreciates your ministry and faithfulness, - Jeff and Betsy Mullen

Earl, You are such a consistent inspiration - week after week always a good word leading us o, thanks for the extra effort to come share with deacons and new members. We're so grateful God led you here to UPC. May your future continue to be richly blessed with God's presence and love. Roxanna Koester

Earl you are very and nice and funny! - Jennifer

Thank you Earl! I've been to other churches, but you are the one that can capture and hold attention of the young and old. Thanks! - Hallie

Earl,

I remember you when you come to the college age students in the 50's! Thanks for your marvelous ministry. Nory Better Raices

Timothy Eulton and Kaitlin

Earl,

Thank you for sharing all of your gifts with us — and helping us to value our own. Blessings to you and your family! Jon Shuman

Dear Earl,

You have touched so many lives with your wonderful sermons. Thank you for sharing with us the many gifts God has bless you with. - Lana Bite

Thank you for always taking the road less traveled to honor each of us and our own specialness. With love, - Scott and Kay Rice

Congrats and Thanks! Carla Hendidern

Earl thank you for everything. You are amazing! A,J,

It was 1972, Fountain Valley, Co. at a young life training that I heard you... all these years later I still say — when it comes to preaching, you number #1!!

Thank you for the inspiration for missions - Jan Matthews

Earl, Year after year I have heard you share The Word at the evening service. Many years wanting a special someone to be sitting beside me worshipping together. 3 ½ yrs ago on our first date, Chris came to the 7pm service with me, the beginning of his journey to know Christ personally. When I asked him what he thought of the service, he said he liked it because it was so different from the Catholic Church he grew up with! And we are still together & here worshipping at 7pm. We're the ones in the back row, sitting on the chairs that are supportive for a bad back! Thank you so much for your dedication to the Lord + preaching at services! - Love, Bonnie Nygren & Chris Eng  
P.S. Chris says "thanks for your words of wisdom over the years & when will we see you snowboarding?!" :)

Earl & Shirley, thank you for your tremendous love of Christ - Ellen M Agee

Earl, congratulations on your 50 years for the ministry and all of the support you have given us. God bless you. - Denise & Janelle

I get up each Sunday with such anticipation for Sunday service. You always give me something I can hug to my heart and ponder. Thank you, Earl, for your faithfulness. - Millie Miller

Hey Earl, thank you for sharing your love of the Lord, the arts, and your profound humble wisdom with us. We are a rich people thanks to your gift. - Dan Gildrist

You have been such a blessing to our whole family. Thank you! - Shirley Blaut

Earl, thank you for giving me the book "Prayer Between Friends". May God bless you. -Joseph Ko

What a fantastic preacher you are! Thank you for all of your passion! Love - Sarah

What an inspiration you are Earl. You're a living example of "hanging ou" - we love you - Yamile & Sharon

EFP, great is His faithfulness unto you. Thank you so much all you've given at your 3 posts in ministry. I feel grateful to have experienced your ministry for a decade in Seattle and in beloved Berkeley as well. From my Cal students and husband Carlos (in Iraq) who can't be here today, thank you! - Casey Evans & Carlos too

Earl, thank you for being such an encourager and source of blessing to so many people. Because of you, so many lives have been brought to the center, Jesus Christ. I am grateful to God to call you both my pastor and friend - Rich Lawson

Earl, your sermons are great and make me laugh - Spencer Feathers

You are a treasure of Christ, thank you. - Jeff + Debbie Moha

Thank you Earl for being such a great spiritual influence! - Dave Dykstra

You and Shirley are a great team! - Milt + Holfa Smith

Thank you! I love you. - Catherine Williams

Earl & Shirley, you are an example to the world. May God bless you. - Nesia Baw

Earl & Shirley, so glad we could be here, it was a sensational service. Love - Betty & Bob Gray.

Earl, I'm so grateful for how you taught me to keep Jesus at the center - personally and professionally in ministry. - Jeff Gephart

Earl & Shirley, You're both amazing people, to have you in my life has been a profound blessing. I am grateful to know you. Many well wishes - Jesse & Brahm Randals

Thank you Earl - Annie Krull

Thanks for being a consistent testimony in my life, Earl. A light when all other lights go out. God bless you - Mary Long

Thanks for renewing my faith in Jesus Christ. You are wise, funny, smart, kind & loving. - Victoria Long

Praise to God for you & your service in His name. We love you, Earl! - Deanna & Ross

Thank you for being there when life is challenging. I will always remember you fondly. - Christine Vederoff

Earl, thank you for pointing toward Jesus for a half century. Well done, good and faithful servant! - Johnson Miller

Earl & Shirley, it's been such a great pleasure & blessing that the Lord allowed me to move here and meet you in Seattle. I enjoy listening and learning about the Lord from your preaching! God bless both you and your family. - Rachel Ng from Singapore

Earl, thanks for being an inspiration through many years & beyond! - Anna Stuart

Thank you for your teachings and the joy of the outdoors. - Paul Nohra

Earl, you have been a mentor to countless young people starting 50 years ago and continuing past today as well.

Thank you for the 50 years of preaching in our church. Love - Kate.

Earl & Shirley, we thank you humbly. May you have many blessings. Thank you again. You are an inspiration & good faithful servant. - Jan Mitchell

Dear Earl & Shirley, Gary Williamson and Chevy Williamson want to thank you for keeping on with the message of Christ. We pray for many more years of ministry, joy, and sharing his word.

We've only been here for 2 years, we're thankful that you are our pastor. - John & Wally Bennet

Thanks for your preachings and sermons. - Debbie Chim

Thank you for your work - Lee

Thank you Earl for your messages - Frankie Bathiell

Earl, you are not only a kite, you are a great teacher. Thank you for your faithfulness and inspirational teachings all these years. - Lling Leet

Earl, I appreciate how God has spoken through you, and that you walk the talk. Thanx - Rachel Needmose

Dad: what a great day that was! All my love, Jon

Thank you for your years of faithful teaching! - Tom, Renee, Nathaniel, and Naomi Williams

Thanks Earl - Suzy Valentine

Dear Earl, thank you for preaching the love and spirituality of our Lord God. - Andy Gambing

Thank you, Earl, for your joy and inspiration - Barbara & Laury Millon

Thank you for giving your lightning to us all - Nigama Eighlett

Earl & Shirley, thank you for opening our hearts - Jamie Johnson

You words have helped keep my faith rooted and grounded in Christ! Thank you - Nancy Maston

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Earl, Thank you for being such an encourager and source of blessing to so many people. Because of you so many lives have been brought to the center, Jesus Christ. I am grateful to God to call you both my pastor and friend. - Rich Lawson

Dearest Earl, (Shirley and Family) How my (and all of our families) life has been enriched by you (and your family) It has been an honor and a journey filled with joy and I look forward to the continuing adventure in a walk with Jesus - Thank you for introducing me to my Lord! - Jon Sayson

Earl, I remember you when you came to the college age students in the 50s! Thankful for your marvelous ministry. Mary Beth Davis

Earl, You've been responsible for a few (ok lots) of "Kleenex" mementos as your setons have caused me to be touched by God in new ways. As an architect I have appreciated your support of the arts. And as the "one man" on the banner committee I have wanted to express my thanks to you for appreciate a bit of my own gift... Fondly,- Mark Brennan

Earl, Thank you for your passion... for your faithfulness in encouraging us all to live more fully for Christ. May God continue to bless you in ministry... and may we all grow in grace as we grow in age! Love in our Lord, Karen and Dean Johnson

Blessings to you Earl! Thank you for your inspiration an example for leading a christ centered life, Kathy Burge



Dear Earl and Shirley, Over the years you both have impacted the lives of so many. You have had such a caring and compassionate ministry here at UPC. Love you both, Shawna Trumbull

We love you! Barrett and Judy Backer

What a wonderful celebration of you, Bonnie and Boyd Chris

Earl, You have challenged my faith for 14 years — you have made me think not just about myself. UPC has changed my life. My husband and I and our three kids wouldn't rather be anywhere else. Thank you!  
- L. Palter

My husband and I are filled with gratitude for you leadership. Thank you for equipping us for our adventures. Best wishes and blessings to you Earl on what lies ahead. Marty Holter

God bless you always! - Betty and Dean McDonald

God bless you Earl Palmer! - Irene Hona

Earl, My cousin Nancy Barton loaned me a tape of you right before my trip to England and I heard you speak of the "The Kilns" then I called you, and we spoke about all of C.S. Lewis's marvelous work. Thank you for introducing me to this! Donna Horde

Earl, you are the epitome of Beuchner great line, true vocation is "when your inner gladness meets a world's great need." Thanks, - Don Wick, Mt. Vernon

Earl, what can I say... you rock!

Earl remember, going downhill keep equal weight on both skis. - Martin

Thank you! I've enjoyed this church and been blessed the moment I started attending 5 years ago. Jane Heilbrecht

Dear Earl, Best pastor there is, was, and will be! Thanks, Risto McFeely

Dear Rev. Earl, I am here alive and healed because God used you to "save" me and my people (of India). I pray I have an eternal relationship with you and Shirley. Thank you for showing me the greatest mysteries of the eternal journey. - Kumar and Lisa Sinclair with Isaiah

Thank you for shoring your faith and words of wisdom. You are amazing. Congratulations on your fifty years. Bonnie Wats, and your family and life!

Dear Earl, you took time for me, a simple parishioner in a hallway once, in a classroom again. You answered my troubled questions (about a book I could barely begin to address) simply, directly, in three sentences or less - you freed my troubled mind and eased my fears: pointing me to the word with assurance that we can not guess the grace that God bestows. My dear deceased sister could most surely be saved. Thank you - for words to cling to when I grieve and a knowledge to apply to other various challenges of life. - JR

Earl, your ministry to me not only changed my life but encouraged my should to enter the ministry in Bellingham. "Oikos Fellowship" Gary Williamson

Earl, One of my life's greatest joys was to have you part of my session family at UPC. God Bless. - Dick Irwin

Thanks for the joy, inspiration and wisdom you bring to all of us. Scott and Michelle Dowling

Earl, Thanks for being a pastor and Teacher. - Timothy and Jayne Peterson

### **Chunk 10**

Thank you for being a joyful Christian! In every sense! - The Segress Family

Thank you - Ed Millare

Love you Earl, - Emma

Thanks for all that you embody about freedom, joy and confidence; for your sheer passion to convey God's love for us.

Earl, thanks for teaching me about God. - Gerard

Earl, you have inspired me to be a light. - Bob

Earl, So many years since your arrival when I was in Calvin Club. We have been back to UPC since your return and have been so blessed by your wisdom and practical insights into the daily Christian walk. We continue to be grateful for you and Shirley's service in our body. Blessings, Ken and Maggie Tank

Earl, your sermons seem to be a bit short. The time flies by. - Christine S.

Dear Earl, It was nice meeting you - Nick

You and Shirley are such a good-looking couple!

Earl, thanks for your many years of ministry, humor and teaching. Kathleen Knutson

You have blessed me, Earl. You have shown me Christ! - Kathy Mead

We love you Earl! Thanks for continually challenging me! In Christ, Nancy Rutherford Sleight

What You are a wonderful example to all of us. - Judy

Earl, thank you for your many reminders of God's faithfulness. Ron and BuWon Brown

As we are called to work in young Life (Rob runs Beyond Malibu) We feel so privileged to be in a place where that calling is affirmed. Thanks for using your gifts for God's glory. Laurie and Rob Dyker and Family

To, Earl from, Will Yoder

Wish you were staying on! - K and R Kirkshandall

Thank you for sharing Christ's light to us, We came here because of you and we love you and this church.  
Blessings Always, John and Becky Ridida

Praise the Lord! Thank you for being such a wonderful example of Godly teaching and that there is no such thing as retirement in God's work. Love, Doug and Andrea Holton

Earl, thank you for the wisdom you share and the love you have for us! - Sarah

Earl and Shirley, It has been pure joy being here with you at UPC. You both are wonderful examples of the Lord's love. - Joan and Doug

Dear Pastor Palmer - thank you for your illuminations from Jesus - Anita and Anabelle Shen

Pastor Earl, Thank you for making our church an inviting home of God — a little bit of heaven on Earth!  
We love and pray for you always. Tracy and Brian Cameron (Rachel and Justin too)

Earl, thanks for your joy and faithfulness to Christ! - Trent Rapen

Thank you for all your years at UPC! I am 17, so I can't remember UPC without you. I enjoy all your great stories and especially Tolkein and Lewis references. You have really helped me and my faith - Elizabeth Donner

Earl, thanks for so richly blessing our daily lives - Clay & Emma Tremens

Dear Earl & Shirley, thank you so much for your ministry, encouragement, prayers, hospitality, and love. You have both been great inspirations to me. Earl, congratulations on your 50 years in the pastorate. Blessings as you continue on in the service of the Lord. - Rosie Perera

Earl, we are both so thankful for your ministry. For us the consistent message of love and hope has been a great comfort. Especially with Peter's death - Jonathan & Barbara Stanfield

Earl, thanks for being our pastor. And thank you for drawing my aunt Margaret and my mother Nancy McElvain into your youth group in the late 50's. You helped change the course of our family. - Andrew & Sharon Mead

Earl, thanks for living your faith with us. Well done... - Peter & Helen Anderson

God bless - Elizabeth A. Melrose

You are God's special gift to many souls - Hank Culhoun

Thanks for sharing all your blessings with us - Jan Stofe

Thanks Earl! You're fabulous - Anna Martin

Dear Earl, thank you for nurturing and helping my faith. All the best to you and Shirley - Nancy Jote

Earl, thanks for all your years of service! Congratulations on 50 wonderful years of ministry! Blessings - Ginger Chin

Earl, thank you so much for being such a teacher of faithfulness to this congregation & the world. Blessings - Trudy Amanson

Praise Him. Bless you Earl - Greta & Lee Roselong

Love you Earl Palmer - Emma

Thank you for the fall discussions and lessons with John Medine. They have been very enriching - Anna Joyce Nelson

Thanks for your wonderful sermons! - Lyra Yarmae

I'm very glad you stayed on! Blessings on you & your family! Love - Margaret Kamorgan

Thank you for being an example of how the gospel can be represented intelligently & with integrity - you are such an encouragement! - Brianna

Thank you from Jonah (6 yrs old) and Sam

Earl, we finally got to see some climbing exploits on the sarnex skots. Keep on, God bless - Marion Banner

We'll always be glad to God for your friendship - Brady R. & Patty & Glenn

Earl, I have only known you for two years, but I have felt the Lord working in my life through you. Thank you - Ryan Sebrecht

What I have learned through this celebration is that Earl the pastor is the same Earl at home, church, with family, and with friends. That is a wonderful and powerful truth. Thank you.

Earl, thank you for your wonderful sermons and sharing your life with us. - Patrice, Gray & Chan

Not only do we celebrate your amazing ministry, but the beautiful family, Shirley, the children, and the grandchildren who play such an important role in it all! - Ron and Marianne Frase

Earl, thank you! - The Haus Family

I love you Earl!

Congratulations & thanks - Carla Hernandez

Thank you, Earl and Shirley! Keep on! - James Naswenger

Earl, thanks so much for all that you do here at UPC & around the world. You have been a great inspiration to me. I am becoming a big fan of C.S. Lewis. I don't ski but I will keep my weight on the downhill ski! - Jeff Feathers

Bless you and thank you for all the years of services and teachings. We savor these past years. - Lois Devau

The outfit is old, but you are not - keep keeping on - Dave & Corinne Hill

Earl, you are a great inspiration to many families. - Newton Prier

Earl, you are a treasure. I've learned so much about our loving Lord and about the importance of family from my dear friend Earl. Blessings - Sue Lanne

All the best to you as you enter a new journey - Kristen Zach

Earl, from someone who sits in the back and is regularly inspired by your teachings, thank you for sharing your life and dedicating yourself to teaching so we all may benefit & grow in God's love. - Dan Russell

Earl, what a privilege to sit in the front row every Sunday hearing your love. Thank you for allowing the Lord to speak through you. You are so good and so faithful. - Sherill Lauppio

"An elder is worthy of double honor, especially he who works hard at preaching & teaching" - Paul to Timothy. You are worthy of double honor. The Lord has revived my spiritual life & my mind through you. - Ken Knite

Thanks for the joy, inspiration, and wisdom you bring to all of us - Scott & Michell Dasling

Earl - thank you for your ministry. Making a large congregation feel like a small home community, and welcoming the unlovable. - Midori Dance

Earl, those were great memories! Congrats on 50 years! - Kine & Connie Jones

Dear Earl, you are handsomer than Ketty Grant! - Gong & Keesoul Namfune  
Earl & Shirely, you have truly been an inspiration God's grace to the Steiner family as well as many others. May God continue to bless you - Kayinin & Hal Steiner

Dear Earl, thank you for your teachings! I love the one about Narnia at Easter. You make the church come alive. Love - Ali (P.S. I've read all the Narnia books, they're great!)

You are a great gift to UPC - Don Yates & family

Thank you for your wonderful ministry & for welcoming me into your family with such kindness - Greg

Thank you for laughing at our Christmas pictures each year! - The Harders

Earl, thank you for the great influence you've been in my life. You have been a great teacher for me, first as someone who served as a father figure and whose way of life has changed me, and now through your teachings as a pastor. Congratulations! - Drew Jackson

Love Sunday mornings with you Earl - Ellen Schall

Earl, thank you for helping me walk my faith real and concrete. Blessings! - Byron Fellis

Christ is risen! - Joanne Green

## **Chunk 11**

Dear Earl, After being captivated by your searching in Calvin Club, I was praying for some who can teach "like Earl Palmer" in 1991 — I'm so thankful the Lord sent the real thing! Heather and Bill MacKenney

Thank you, Earl. We have needed your sermons and wisdom over the years and you've carried me through different journeys in life. Thank you! May God Bless you. Josephine Ko

Dear Earl, you have been a terrific teacher and joyful blessing to us and countless others God Bless you! Mike and Nelma Lawton

Earl, we love you so much - what a joy it has been to be in ministry together - much love, Kari and John

Earl, Moved here in '90 looking for a church. Came across Westphal whose preaching reminded me of you in my old days. Then found out you were coming. It's been a great blessing for 15 years! - Won Chung Kim Cal '88

Thanks for providing the gift of learning that to follow Christ a person can have assurance that our faith is based on solid evidence (we don't need to abandon our mind) and when following christ we don't have to abandon our sense of humor. I also deeply value your sense of moderation especially in our world that is so polarized. Deeply appreciate you!! - Ted Thurong

Thank you for you ministry in the Philippians The Belo's

Earl, Thank you for showing Christ is at the center of our life and teaching. God Bless you. Julie Ames

Earl, You are one of a kind. I'm so grateful God for you, and for putting me in your path. Every blessing. Melissa Deryn

Earl, thank you for your ministry to our congregation. Nancy and Tim Kenagy

Earl and Shirley, You have truly been an inspiration of God's grace to the Steiner family as well as many others - May God continue to bless you his servant. Virginia and Hal Steiner

I Love you Earl

Earl, thanks for sharing your life! Wising you many years of service with the Lord! Den Sato

Wonderful reception, but where are the chips and salsa? Robin Oleary

Earl — Thank you for your consistence example of faithfulness — you loved and appreciated everyone greatly - Bob Davies

Earl, what a full and wonderful life you've led... so dar! Thanks for your inspiration!! All our best, Sue and Mark Peterson

Earl, thank you for your joy in Christ — you are such a blessing to all of us. WE are so grateful for your service to us and to God through your time here. Thank you for your focus on Jesus Christ as the center. You have been a good and faithful servant. - Annie Sleight

Your reach goes farther than you'll ever know. Thank you for all your inspiring and faithful service to God and the rest of Us. Which ski is it? - Andy James

Best wishes on what's next! Charles and Martha Diede

Earl and Shirley blessings to you both. Jim Bauer

Earl, thank you for being a wonderful narrator and guide in life. Thank you also for everything you have shown me in life through your narration of your own path. God is faithful. Thanks again. Bill Lybe

My sister came back to the Lord at the Berkeley Church! I've heard you for years at Mt. Hermon and your gift of teaching w/ Christ at the center has blessed and enriched my life so much. What a great God we have! Thank you for your faithful ministry in His name! Please never "pass the torch" but carry it on right to the gates of heaven. Every single week you continue on impacting and transforming generations for eternity. With love in Christ. William and Larisa

Thank you for teaching us how to trust and obey in the Lord. - Anna James

This has been my church all of my life. Thank you for being a teacher to me all 15 years. - Amy

Your grandchildren are a marvelous reflection... I appreciate your love for our church and care for the people. - Michael Adeney

Earl our pearl! We love you Jaime Aere

## Chunk 12

Thank you so much Pastor Earl! We have learned so much from you speaking and life. Your messages have been an encouragement and extortion in our lives to live rightly and faithfully, keeping Christ the center! God bless you and yours richly. The Keyes Family. Nathan, Rae, Daniel and Zachary

Earl, Well always remember the day you baptized our daughter Anastasia (she bowed down in front of you) we have it on tape! Congratulations on your 50 years in God's service. James, Joanna, Anastasia McConachie

Congrats on 50 years in ministry! God Bless, - Laura

Bicycling is easy once you get the hang of it. Thanks for showing us how to navigate our faith journey.  
Lucille and Tom

Thank you for the joy that you faithfully present the gospel each week. Ted and Lindsey Mallor

Earl, because you have always been "at your post" We have been blessed! May the Lord bless you and keep you and your remarkable Shirley and Family. Pam and Jim Ferguson

Earl, Thank you for your messages, for baptizing our daughters (Haylie and Olivia) and for all you have done for us and continue to hold a special place in our hearts. Congrats on 50 years — you are an inspiration! God Bless you — Reed, Lisa, Haylie and Olivia Hunt

"P. Earl", Thank you for your wonderful respect for women and the marginalized.

Earl, you have brought me back to Christ, what a gift. - Tim

From Whidbey Island to Bel Air Pres. To Princeton, to UPC. I am grateful for how our lives have intersected. Thanks for being a great Pastor to my family, baptizing my sons and your message of grace which has been so helpful to SoAnn and us. - Steve Booth

Earl, God bless you for your inspiration to me and your unique humor. Ana Moore

Marjorie Turner Domenowabe Calvin Club 1960-63

Earl, Today has been a lot of fun, full appropriately of a lot of good natured humor 0 of which you were the gracious target. But, all kidding aside — what we are left with is the substance you have — thank you and may God continue to bless us through you - Jim Dravus

Thanks Earl for helping me keep my life Christ Centered. - John McDowell

Earl and Shirley you are an example to us in so many ways, not the least of which is how to be lifelong partners and empowering parents - thank you is too small - Marcia Cecil

Earl, Thanks for all your ministry to me and my family in Manila and in the past years through your books, and faithfulness through the years! - Barbara Chan

Dear Earl, Thank you for your humor, your smile, your constant faith, and for being our teacher: and thank the lord for bringing us to you. Bill Davis and Sharon Auston. Ali and Randy Davis

What a gift to know you, - Janet

What a wonderful day to party with you! - Kay

Earl, thank you for the impact you've had on my faith and Life! My husband and I were married at UPC over 2 children dedicated here during my time at the UW - you challenged me —> was being a Christian going to be my thing during my college years? Your support of tutoring was so encouraging during my



years with Kidreach. My husband and I appreciate your wisdom humor and gifts so much! Thanks for your amazing 50 years in ministry. Joelle Csuha

Thank you for sharing your wisdom. - James

Earl! You have been an inspiration and a blessing to me in my Christian journey.

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Earl, thanks for teaching me to invest myself in places in my life - to be present there - it has made a real difference. You have continually improved me and helped anchor my faith during some hard times. Thanks for everything.

- Sara Shoemaker

Dearl Earl, what a gift you have been (and continue to be) to Mount Hermon! Thank you for your friendship and significant ministry. Mari and I salute you!

- Keat + Mari Hannover, Mount Hermon Conference Center

Earl, my father and mother introduced me 58 years ago, and found your ministry. So young and vibrant, crisp and clean in your voice. You inspired me, and led me to being a Christian.

- Mark Sewey

Earl, thank you for grounding us as a father would his children, to saying grace and modeling it! Our entire family loves you!

- Ken, Francie, Jonathan, Anna, & Andrew Knutzen

We appreciate you and thank God often for the person you are. May our Lord continue to bless you and your family.

- Ray + Sandy Slinthius

ROAR!

- Aslan

Here's to another 50 years!

- Alysun

Earl, thank you for your teaching, stories, service & the joy you've shared with us all - UPC & our family - & for blessing us with 50 years!

- Martha & Earl Anhelm

Earl, even though I'm new to UPC in the last year, I'm very grateful for your gift of sharing God's love & joy and making it real. Cheers to you.

- Kiki Raleigh

Earl, all I can think of to say is thank you for sharing God's word in a way that comes alive and helping me to find my own belief. "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

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Earl - Thank you for sharing with us your gifts of wisdom, knowledge, and faith. You have inspired us weekly to seek more and more of the living God.

- Aidrian, Dawn & Alan

Thanks Teach!

- With love, Nick Rempel (Berkeley)

Earl, I appreciate your commitment to Biblical scholarship and truth. God brought me here in a transitional time in my life and one thing that drew me was the truth you taught permeated with love, grace, and the understanding of the original Greek / Hebrew text. Thank you for your leadership.

- Diane Swingler & Richard Swingler

Thanks for your parables and pearls.

- Debbie Chinn

Dear Papa, I love you! Thank you for being such a great grandpa! I love how you comfort me.

- With buckets full of love, Katherine

Earl, God has given you great skills, and you have used them well. It inspires us to do the same.

- A grateful person.. Arlene P.

Earl, God bless you! May the future hold many memories to make and may the Father keep you always close. You're an amazing guy.

- Michelle Lim

Your ministry is such a blessing.

- Anna Farth

Earl, what a wonderful example you are to all of us!

- Maureen & Bill Sanith

Congratulations Earl. I remember fondly you in Calvin Club.

- Raul Schism

I can't believe that we have a pastor that has climbed Mt. Shasta countless times!

- Timothy Easton

Earl, thank you for sharing God's love with us!

- Shane Melore & family

Earl, you have been such a blessing to so many, and we thank God for you and your ministry the past 50 years.

- Love, the Hastings, Julie, Grey, Ben, Annalise, and Sara

Thank you Earl!

- Genaveve Holter

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Thanks for all your Grand Positives! And the words of wisdom I quote from you on all occasions.

- Patty Johnson

Thank you so much for the special part you and your family have played in my life and my family's life all these years.

- Much love in Christ (our center), Jocelyn Angelo

Although we listened to you for many years on the radio, nothing beats hearing from you in person. You are such a blessing in our lives!

- Curt & Allie Fleck (P.S. the first thing we did when we moved close to Seattle was to join UPC!)

Earl, the joy of the Lord is your strength. Thanks for the joy!

- Rick & Jen Carter

Hi Earl, you have blessed my life.

- Dave Quall

Earl, you have been preaching to us for years to find our calling and become the best. Well you certainly practice what you preach! You are simply the best. Thank you!

- Kinsley Family

Thanks for your example of a life well lived for God to the younger generations that follow.

- Vance Felton

Earl, it is a privilege to be a member of UPC where we can hear your sermon every Sunday. We truly appreciate from the bottom of our hearts. May God bless you more and more everyday! Thank you!!!

- In Jesus' love, Soowon, Yoon, & Lawrence Kim

Thanks for sharing your wisdom

- Joanne Chana

Congratulations Earl Palmer

- Tony Chalera

Earl, I am so thankful for your ministry. Thank you for inspiring me, making me laugh, and making the Bible real in my life. May God bless you & your family for many years to come.

- Trisha Clayson

Nice meeting you.

- Nick

Hi :)

- Laura Wayne

Thank you!

- Anna Mcphaden

Earl, thanks for everything. The teaching, the friendship, small group, and of course, the ski days!

- Todd V.

Dad: what a great day that was!

- All my love, Jon

Earl, may the Lord shine down on you & Shirley. You have given 50 years to the Lord!

- Maria Marshall

You have proved an inspiration for my life. Thank you so much! Your words & actions have remained a truth & a constant over these many years. What a blessing you are to our family.

- Bruce & Gloria Beard

Earl, I am going to be baptized on June 18th 2006. It's you that helps me to make the decision. Thank you so much for your wonderful sermons.

- Miaowen Cheng

Earl, thank you for giving so much support for the music program here at UPC.

- Rob Duyunga

Dear Earl, what a gift you & your teaching have been to me & my family. May God bless you and your family forever more.

- Sandra Huamatsu

Way to go Earl! God has blessed you and in return you have blessed me!

- Barb Rochan

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Earl, thank you for years of service. You are a blessing to us all.

- Phil Chase

Thank you for helping me choose a new bible :) Everyone who's cool reads the Apocrypha!

- Kenny Saldano

Your humility is a beautiful gift to witness. Thank you!

- Simone Bouterse

I love you dad!

- Anne

Earl, you are not only a kite, you are a great teacher. Thank you for your faith and inspirational teachings all these years.

- King West

Dear Earl, it has been very special to be included in your session family. May you be blessed for your leadership and friendship to us all.

- Love in Christ, Betty Szeden

So much has been given by so few.

- Many thanks, Elien Vadagur



Earl, I've learned many helpful insights on sharing our faith with others.  
Thank you.

- Roy & Jul Carlson

Earl, I was in darkness until I started hearing your sermons. Thank you!

- Jon Reynolds

Dear Earl, thank you for your steadfast focus in Jesus as our center.  
You've challenged our minds for a quarter of a century on His character  
& Lordship. Grateful for you!

- Art & Jane Kopicky

Earl and Shirley, thank you for everything!

- Sincerely, Ernie, Martin, and Burwash

Congrats & thanks!

- Carla Hendrickson

Earl, of all my teachers, even at SPU - you have been one of the most  
influential. Thank you!

- All my love, Sandra Wary

Thank you for your great ministry. Congratulations!!!

- Love and special wishes for you and Shirley, Mary Moone

Earl, you are a mountaintop blessing!

- Fondly, Cinda Cones Brownfield

Earl, you are the greatest. Thank you for your faithfulness. Thank you for your teaching in Him.

- Kathy Adolphsen

Thanks for your solid teaching and encouragement.

- Joyfully, Nancy Payne

Earl, here is to 50 more! Well maybe 20! Bless you.

- Jim Trumbull

Life's a puzzle sometimes, isn't it? Thanks for helping us work it through! Blessings on you and Shirley and your clan :)

- Robert Teresa & Josh Mcelhinny

Ear, we are so blessed by you! Each Sunday we learn so much and look forward to your painting us to Jesus. We have you Shirley.

- Rene, Mark, Anne, Elli & Evan Thomiar

Earl and Shirley, UPC is so very blessed to have you.

- Jerry & Sharon Rolter

May His grace continue to fill your lives and ministry!

- Diane & Peter Wie

Well balanced at the pulpit or skiing on top of Mt Renren!

- Jerry Griffin

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We love you guys!

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Earl, what a joy to celebrate you today! My memories go from my youthful days in Calvin Club to my more mature years here in 2nd Wind. Thanks for your consistent spirit in teaching and living the abundant joy of Christ.

- Connie Hiel

Earl & Shirley, thank you.

- Love to you, Patti Dewin

Hooray for your 50th year preaching with this church! That's a long time! Everyone is so glad that you are here with us! Thanks for the movie by the way.

- Tim McDowell

Dear Earl, thank you for your wonderful ministry to all of us.

- Pam Davies

Dear Earl, you have meant so much to our family.

- The Elevelds

Earl - you are such an amazing blessing.

- Evelyn Eldridge

Pastor Palmer, thank you for your meaningful talk that you gave to the World Deputation deputies. You are inspiring!

- Ester Sinite

Earl, we thank God for your gifts that you have used for a blessing to all in the Kingdom. We love you and your family. You have been a great role model & influence in our lives! May God continue to richly bless you.

- Steve & Carolyn Schwind

Best wishes on the next 50!

- Charles & Martha Diede

Earl, what a gift you have been to our hearts and minds! You have inspired and encouraged us to grow deeper with Jesus!

- Liz Whitney

The Lord has and will continue to bless your service. It's a privilege to be on your ministry team as a staff member.

- Jennifer Reeve Parker

Dear Earl, thank you for your love, and messages. Especially when Tom passed away.

- With love, Margo Clutter

Earl, having heard you for the 1st time in 72, you have never stopped influencing me. It has been an honor to serve with you.

- Much love and appreciation, Bill Whitworth

You always make good choices.

- Audrey Mothgen

Dear Earl, I am new in this congregation and I am your fan. You are as good as Baus Koshmier, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Carson City Nevada.

- Lystignia Bessos

Earl, thank you very much for helping us learn about Jesus' and God's words. Although english is our second language, we are successfully learning them thanks to your help!

- Nishizawa Family

Hey Earl, thank you for preaching every Sunday!

- Chris Molrose

Thank you Earl & Shirley for all you do to spread the word!

- Love to all, Mynon & Jackie Sayler

Thanks for being real to us!

- The Bogaard Family

Earl, I am grateful to our Lord for our encouragement in ministry! You are a blessing.

- In faith, Michael Rogler

Thanks!

- Emily Yockey

Dear Earl & Shirely - thank you for leading the transparent life of ministry for 50 years, for pouring yourselves out and demonstrating grace.

- We love you, Rich & Sue Devries

Keep buying green bananas.

- Leih Midral

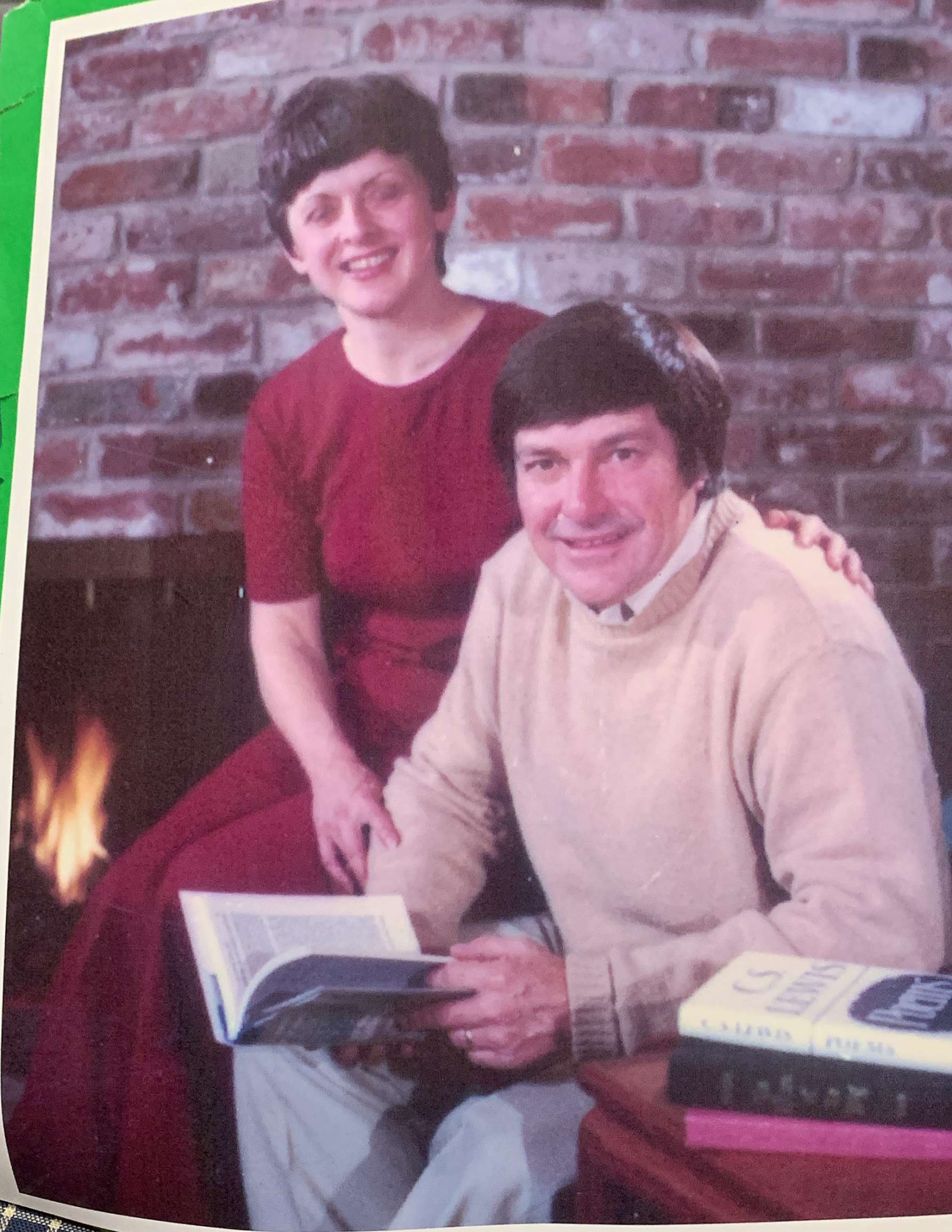
Though I was Christian for many years, it was your teaching that brought me to understanding grace.

- Bob

You and Shirley have been such a pillar at UPC for so long! Thank you for your wisdom, your teaching, and your service for 50 years. And we all know that Shirley has contributed as much, if not more as your life partner. God bless you both richly, and may you have many more years together and with us at UPC.

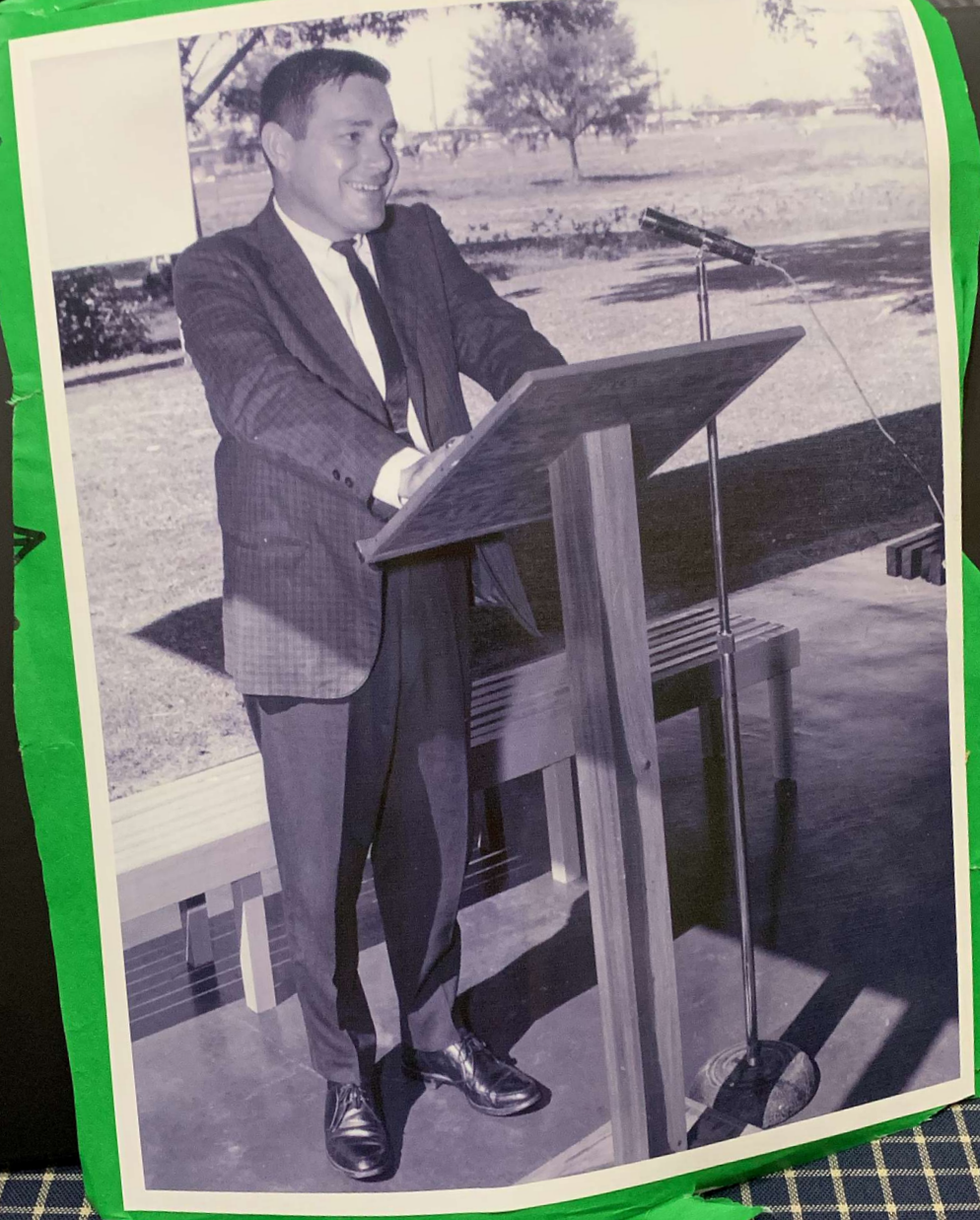
- Blessings, Shelly Barkley











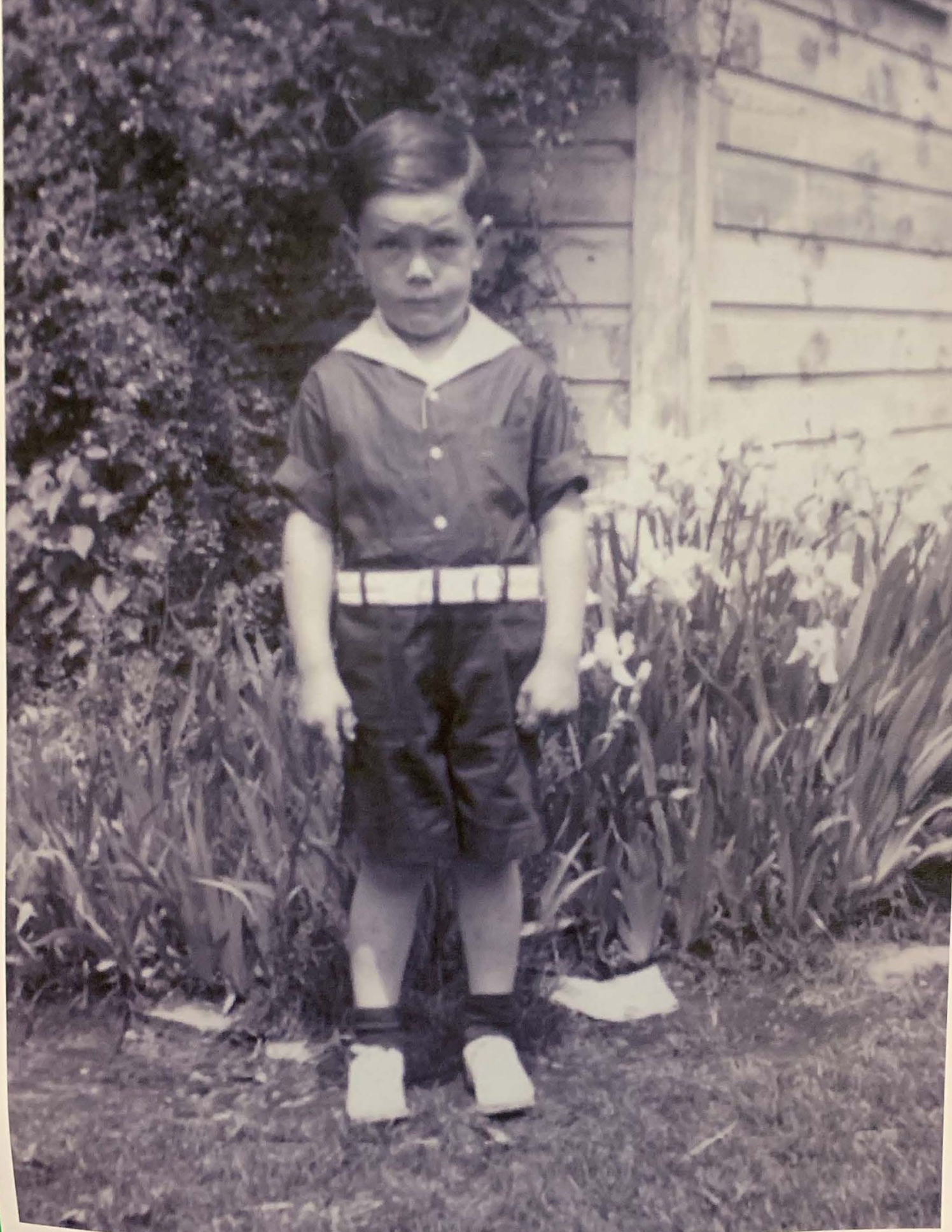
















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