THANKSGIVING DINNER Thursday, November 26, 2009 New York City, New York

Brent J. and Lorinda G. Belnap; their children

David, Caroline, Christopher, Spencer, Rebecca, and Nathan and friends Jeff Johnson and Lauren Vorhaus

Reading of the One Hundredth Psalm

(The 56th year of this Belnap Family tradition, begun Thanksgiving 1954)

Hymn #93, "Prayer of Thanksgiving"

Blessing on the Food and Family Prayer

Review of Blessings from "Thanksgiving Pumpkin" (The 5th year of this Belnap Family tradition, begun Thanksgiving 2005)







Appetizers and Hors d'oeuvres

Black Olives; Dill Pickles; Pickled Beets

Celery Stalks Stuffed with Vegetable Cream Cheese

Assortment of Crackers and Cheeses

Soup

Lorinda's Butternut Squash Soup with Savory Toasted Croutons

Salads

Fresh Spinach-Cranberry Salad with Poppyseed Dressing

Holiday Cranberry Jello Salad with Whole Cranberries, Chopped Pecans, and Golden Delicious Apples

Breads

Caroline's Homemade French Bread Rolls and Biscuits
Old-fashioned Cornbread with Wild Honey

Main Course

Brined and Seasoned Roast Stuffed Turkey with Old-fashioned Breaded Sage Stuffing and Homemade Cranberry-Orange Sauce

Vegetable Dishes

Creamy Mashed Potatoes with Thick Turkey Pan-dripping Gravy

String Beans Sautéed with Ginger and Garlic

Buttered Cooked Carrots with Brown Sugar Glaze

Gourmet Sweet Potatoes with Brown Sugar and Pecans

Buttered Kernel Corn with Parsley Flakes

Beverage

Cranberry Juice with Sparkling Water

Desserts

Christopher's Homemade Pumpkin Pie

David's Awesome Apple Crisp; Brent's Perfect Pecan Pie

Vanilla Ice Cream

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens His will to make known; The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing. Sing praises to his name; He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine; So from the beginning the fight we were winning; Thou, Lord, wast at our side; All glory be Thine!

We all do extol Thee, Thou leader triumphant, And pray that Thou still our defender wilt be. Let Thy congregation escape tribulation; Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!



ONE HUNDREDTH PSALM

- 1 Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.
- 2 Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.
- 3 Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- 4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.
- 5 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

