





## GOD'S PEACE TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AS WE CELEBRATE CHRIST'S BIRTHDAY!

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy 2012.

In last year's letter we said we retired again from many of our volunteer activities. Well–not so fast! It seems we no sooner offload one activity than the time gets quickly filled up with another "opportunity." We are now blessed to be a part of the RCIA Team at our parish, helping prepare those who are about to enter the Catholic Church, or complete their Sacraments. But all work and no play makes Chuck a dull boy, so in anticipation of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary next June, we took a great trip this year!

In August and September we RV'd across the beautiful countryside of Oregon and Washington, visiting great sites and "traps"—the Oregon Vortex, Crater Lake, Big Pines, Mt. Hood, Mount St. Helens, Seattle, Mt. Rainier, Goldendale, Hanford and much more. In Seattle we met up with brother and sister-in-law Steve and Claire Page, jumped on the Rhapsody of the Seas and then off to Alaska. Steve and Chuck did a "bucket list" kind of thing. While in Juneau, they

helicoptered to the top of the a major hike in the rain, 38 crampons on their boots and got (actually had to or they jump over a two- foot wide drop. Feared it would crack jump but found when glaciers they don't shatter like iced visited Skagway, the Tracy including High Tea at the ladies). Before we left the sister Margaret, and on the with dear friends Ann & Nick George & Yvonne Studinski



Mendenhall Glacier and went on degrees with rain gear on, ice walking sticks. They even would have been left behind) to crevasse with a major, deep more from their weight after the are really deep blue in color, cubes on pavement. We also Arm Fjord, and Victoria, BC, Empress (a highlight for the Seattle area we visited Miriam's way back to California stayed Stevens in Richland (WA), and in Alturas (CA). To see a video

slideshow of the pics check out our family webpage at <a href="www.pagecage.org">www.pagecage.org</a>.. Here's a picture of us at the "Formal Night" on board our ship. Looking pretty good for some old folks (at least I think so!! ©)

Then just this last Saturday, we celebrated Miriam's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday and 7 years of the new heart plumbing. Took some great pictures of her surrounded by our 9 grandkids, while the room was filled with all our family, and Miriam's best friend (since Sixth Grade!) Dianne.

## Chuck and Miriam - www.pagecage.org

May the God of peace make you perfectly holy and may you entirely, spirit, soul, and body, be preserved blameless for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.





