

*Dear Brothers and Sisters,*

*So, there goes a turkey walking down the street; you don't see that every day.*

*So there goes a Mr. and Mrs. Native American walking down the street; you don't see that every day.*

*So, there goes a Mr. and Mrs. Pilgrim walking down the street; you don't see that every day.*

*So, there goes a big bowl of cranberries walking down the street; you don't see that every day.*

*So, there goes a crockpot full of dressing walking down the street; you don't see that every day.*

*So, there goes a big platter of glazed sweet potatoes walking down the street; you don't see that every day.*

*So, there goes a pecan pie followed by an apple pie walking down the street; you don't see that every day.*

*So, there must be some kind of big convention going on because this seems to be an odd assortment of characters gathering together!*

*Well, it could be that another **THANKSGIVING DAY** is about to make an appearance on the horizon of our lives!*

*Well, of course, turkeys, Native Americans, Pilgrims, cranberries, dressing, glazed sweet potatoes, pecan and apple pie all uniting together, it has to be **THANKSGIVING DAY!!!***

*Yes, a feast of epic proportions, family coming together from hither and yon, fellowship around the dinner table while catching up on the latest news and happenings, and football, football, football!!! Indeed, **THANKSGIVING DAY** is about to **GOBBLE-UP** some of our very valuable time. Hopefully, the feast, the family, the fellowship, and the football will all be celebrated with a great deal of special **FUN, FUN, FUN!!!***

*Hopefully, the feast, the family, the fellowship, and the football will all be celebrated with a great deal of special **FUN, FUN, FUN** wrapped in a spirit of some very special **APPRECIATION!!!***

**APPRECIATION???** Yes, **APPRECIATION!!!** Why **APPRECIATION???**

*Well, every day ought to be a day on which we prayerfully share in a spirit of appreciation; every day includes this unique day we call **THANKSGIVING DAY!!!***

*Well, every day ought to be a day on which we prayerfully share in a spirit of appreciation for our **GRACIOUS** and **LOVING GOD** who has **BLESSED** us with the gift of life and the wonder of love!!!*

*Actually, every day ought to be a day on which we prayerfully share in a spirit of appreciation for our gracious and loving **GOD** who has **BLESSED** us with the gifts of life and love; but then we could include many other precious gifts **GOD** also offers us, gifts like compassion, guidance, understanding, forgiveness, comfort, and **HOPE** through **JESUS CHRIST** and the **HOLY SPIRIT!!!***

*Yes, every day ought to be a day on which we prayerfully share in a spirit of appreciation for our **GRACIOUS** and **LOVING GOD**; may every day of prayerful appreciation include **THANKSGIVING DAY** with all the feasting, family, fellowship, football, and fun!!!*

*Love in Christ,*

*Pastor Dana*