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Greetings in the name of our wonderful Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The January, February and March issues of the Circle of Love audio magazine went out on schedule. George Gray and I are in frequent contact concerning the ministry transition. He has been a good mentor and coach while I learn the ropes.

I've met several of our subscribers by phone and have enjoyed getting acquainted with each one. Response to the magazine has been positive.

The process of getting things ready for me to take over the Circle of Love began last fall. I began planning content to be included in forthcoming issues. Developing the habit of looking ahead has paid off.

In October I spent several hours revamping the website. It is now on a platform which allows me to make changes and additions more easily.

Brother George provided nearly all of the supplies needed to send out the magazine. My wife Carol and I only needed to purchase a few additional office supplies. She has updated address cards so subscribers can return their magazine cartridges to me.

We also purchased a SD card for a Canadian subscriber because Canada does not use the cartridges used here in the U.S.

One of our subscribers has switched from the cartridge to the online edition. She has a friend who may receive it that way as well. We have one subscriber overseas who receives the magazine online, and I pray we'll have more.

In February I submitted an announcement to promote the Circle of Love in a secular audio magazine for the blind called the Newsreel. It was included in the March issue. As I write this, it's too early to know what the response will be.

Checks made out to my home church, Northwood Baptist Church, will be deposited in an account we opened for the ministry.

I'm honored and humbled to be entrusted with the Circle of Love. I'm keenly aware of my need for the Lord's empowerment to serve Him in this outreach. Your support and prayers are greatly appreciated.

In Christ's service,  
John Wesley Smith