

The Story I'll Tell...

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I heard a song lately called, ["The Story I'll Tell" by Maverick City Music](#). The lyrics spoke directly to the journey that I have been on this past year. As we approach Thanksgiving, I am reminded of God's faithfulness. **Thank you** for being an **instrument of His faithfulness** in my life through generous giving, encouragement, and prayers **in the waiting**.

I thought I'd share what I am most thankful for this Thanksgiving season using the lyrics of this song, but first... (drum roll...)

The moment we've been waiting for...!!!

I have tickets to Peru!!!

After almost a year of waiting, I will be on my way (**Lord willing!!**) to Peru **February 22nd**.

How **GREAT** it is to say those words!

"We can make our plans, but the Lord determines our steps."

Proverbs 16:9

Will you join me in this journey to see all nations worship Him and Him alone!?



Thankfulness inÂ the waiting...

"The hour is dark, and it's hard to see, what You are doin' here in the ruins, and where this will lead, oh, but I know..."

"That down through the years,Â I'll look on this moment and see Your hand on it, and know You were here..."

Thankful #1:Â our God who sees

This past year has been full of moments where I have wondered, "What **ARE** you doing, God?!...Where does **THIS** path lead?!"

But when I remind myself of all the moments throughout the years where I knew God's hand was in it, I can **rest in the fact** that even thoughÂ I may not see it now, **HisÂ hand is and always** will be in it all.

"And I'll testify of the battles You've won, how You were my portion when there wasn't enough

And I'll testify of the seas that we've crossed, the waters You parted, the waves that I've walked"

Thankful #2: YOU

I am absolutely amazed at God's provision and the ways that He has used your sacrificialÂ giving to encourage my heart to keep going on this journey and as an affirmation that I am on the right road. **THANK YOU for your faithfulness in giving and for the sacrifices you make to sow into God's Kingdom.**

*"Singing, oh-oh-oh, my God did not fail
Oh-oh-oh, it's the story I'll tell..."*

Thankful #3: Truth

The truth of this year is summed up for me in these words, **God did not fail.** It's crazy

how many roads our minds can wander down...trails of doubt and insecurity.

This year has been a training ground for learning how to stand firmly (**unshaken!**) on truth. I am so thankful that when plans look differently than what I thought, I can trust that God knows **exactly what He is doing** and He does indeed have a purpose in it all.

*"Believing gets hard, when options are few
When I can't see what You're doin', I know that You're proving
You're the God who comes through..."*

Thankful #4: Faith

I am someone who LOVES options and also LOVES to see the path before me. However, that's the wonderful thing about faith. **It requires not seeing the path** or at least all of the pieces to start with. It takes faith to believe **beyond what the eye can see** and to keep taking steps being sure that God will come through.

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Thankful #5: The Story I get to tell

I am incredibly thankful to live this **life of a missionary** each day. I am full of joy for the **purposes** for which God has placed me at here JAARS in this season and how He continues to prepare me for the day I arrive in Peru.

No matter where I am physically, **I will continue to testify** to how God has been my portion, how He has come through for me, how He fights battles for me.Â

"all that is left is highest praises..."

There is such truth in those lyrics..."all that is left is highest praises". **Despite** the disappointment, **despite** the let downs, **despite** the unknowns, what remains and will always remain is the praise that God deserves and is worth of.

As we entered into this Thanksgiving season, I hope you are encouraged as I am that we have a God who is on His throne, in control, and worthy of the highest praises.Â Â Â

End of the year giving, coming soon...

As the end of the year approaches, this is how you can **join me in this journey:**

- set up **monthly giving**
- give a **one-time gift**
- be **my advocate** for the work I'm involved in with SAM
- set up a **video meeting** with your small group
- organize a **fundraiser**

To give, click the link below.



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Thank you for being on this journey with me! Thankful for each one of you. Your prayers and sacrificial giving enable me to continue in ministry.

*love and thanks,
Ally*