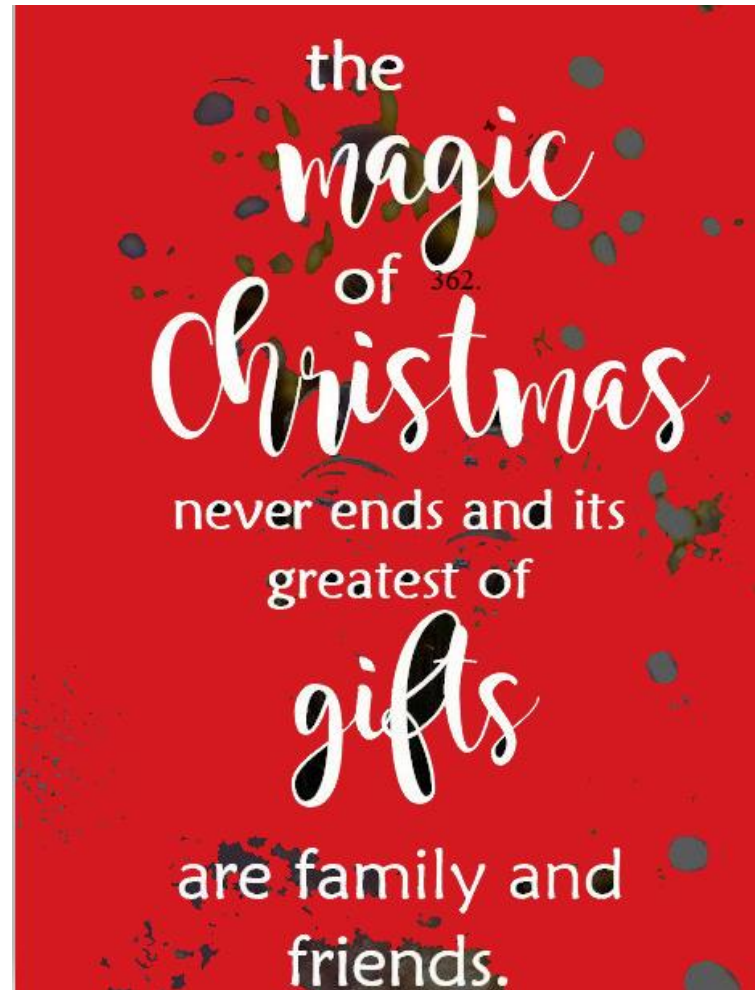


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To my dear colleagues and friends,



Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas to all!

First, how grateful we are to live in this great country, a country in which we continue to work to make it even better. Second, to have health, our most important asset. Some setbacks this year but so far really blessed. Third, to think how fortunate we are to be in the field of science and medicine, where our accomplishments have meaning for today and the future of all mankind. Fourth, to be able to continue to experience the working relationships and friendships we all share. Very special, the collegiality shown by all. And last, but equally important, to know that our families are safe and healthy during this trying time which we hope and pray will soon be behind us.

I always remind everyone that today we worry not about enough food, but too much food; not about running out of an energy source, but too much coal, gas and oil; not about the scourge of mankind, infectious diseases, but our social habits, which cause so many illnesses. I always remind patients that "we are living longer, jumping higher, and running faster than any time in history". Be positive, contribute, and make a difference, that is what we are about.

Again, my best wishes to all of you and your families for a wonderful Holiday Season. Merry Christmas!

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