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Dear Francois and Denise :

You are both so kind to remember me at this time of sadness, it is only friends like you that make things bearable. It is difficult to find words that express my gratitude for all of your many kindnesses both now and in the past. I can only be grateful for all of our good times and the opportunity to have met such wonderful people as yourselves. You both have made such important contributions to the profession and will always be monuments to the understanding of mans prehistory.

I wish that I could see Paul and Cecile before they leave for Austrailia, they are not far from me, but for now I cannot make any plans until I have some additional sugery. I have a blockage in the Aorta and my legs dont get enough blood, so I cannot walk only short distances. I am planning on having the operation the last of this month. If everything is successful it would be nice if I could drive you from Kimberly to Missoula, it is interesting country. Austrailia seems so far, and for three years but it is a wonderful opportunity and Richard Gould tells me that it has much variety and is an exciting place.

This spring Evelyn and I made our last trip together, we went to Belieze and you wouldnt believe the vast quantities of broken tools , blades and flintworking debris. I saw some twenty new techniques that have never been described, some day I would like to go back. For now this is but a short note and I did want to thank you for your many kindnesses.

My love to yourboth,

Don Crabtree

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