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Most of my working time the last few days has gone to preparing a downloadable album of my songs I plan to put on CD Baby for sale, and by putting it there, putting it on iTunes and various other markets. It's taking me a while to get it ready. Since I've accepted that as highest priority, I might not keep up with writing nor with preparing website entries for a few days.

In the last few years, I've recorded many songs and kept them on my computer. In 2011, I put an album of 11 songs on CD Baby. The album and individual tracks from it are available to buy. I put on another album through an online company I now can't find.

Making the songs available was premature. I didn't know enough about recording, about editing audio files, and I hadn't practiced guitar and singing enough. Eventually, I understood I shouldn't have made my songs available yet, but I couldn't get back on CD Baby to take the songs off. I couldn't log on, and I wasn't successful at getting in contact with the people at CD Baby to try to straighten things out. I went on with everything else I was doing, writing, practicing music, working on my website, and living.

Recently, I tried again to get in contact and was eventually successful at changing my password and logging onto CD Baby. I haven't yet yanked the old album, but I will soon, and I'll put a more carefully-prepared album on. I'm sorting through the songs I've recorded to my computer, selecting the ones I think are good enough to offer for sale, recording more songs, working toward having enough songs to put on. I cultivate patience and progress slowly toward completion while also keeping my spiritual study, my writing, my music learning and practice, all my other living going forward.

I have more entries almost ready to put on my website. I build documents in Word Perfect because Word Perfect shows me all formatting codes and allows me to control every part of formatting easily. I then open the documents in Word, which allows me to use a color for the background and to precisely control where I insert images. If colored background and precise control of image placement is available in Word

Perfect, I haven't discovered that. From Word, I convert the finished document to PDF, because PDF fixes the document into unalterable form, link it to my website in Microsoft Sharepoint and upload the document and my updated home page to my carrier.

Meanwhile, central Oregon has had excessive smoke from wildfires for weeks, and I've stayed inside, because I don't want to breathe the smoke. This morning, the air is clear. We're going to the park, then visiting friends, while the clear air lasts, so I may not get to further website entries for a while.

When I get enough of my music done, and then some being outside, I'll get back to more frequent website entries.