As another Christmas approaches us, we have the privilege and opportunity to reflect back on the goodness and blessings in our lives along with the disappointments and heartaches. We trust at this Christmas season that each and every one of you can rejoice and praise Him for how He has blessed you. He has given us His promise that He will return and receive us to Himself where we shall be forever in His presence.

We thank you for your faithful support to us and the Lord's work in this part of Mexico. It has been our honor and privilege to serve Him another year and that has been the result of your love for Him and for the desire to see souls saved.

In His coming the word of God proclaimed:

Matt. 1:21-23

- 21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.
- 22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,
- 23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

Luke 2:9-11

- 9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.
- 10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
- 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

In His leaving the word of God promised:

John 14:1-3

- 1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
- 2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
- 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

From our home to your home, we wish you a very merry CHRISTmas and may our Lord's blessings be abundant in your home and life as our hearts yearn for the soon return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

As you enjoy fellowship with family and friends this Christmas, remember Brandon (in the picture to the right). He is 10 yrs old and had to have a tumor removed from his brain. He was able to go home for a short stay. He was in church this past Sunday and Tuesday (12-4-12) he had to be re-admitted to the hospital. He is in critical condition and without the Lord's touch, this could be the last Christmas he may have with his family. This is one of the most difficult times being a missionary. I remember when he was born and he has always had a smile. We love him as our own child and it is tearing the hearts out of Barb and me. His family lives in a village that we labor in and they are in great need of finances during this extremely difficult time in their lives.



Please pray for him!

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