



Merry Christmas

Luke 2:10 "And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of GREAT JOY, which shall be to ALL people."

Dear Family, Friends & Co-laborers in Christ:

What a blessed season we are in! We trust that you are rejoicing in that great joy that comes only from personally knowing the Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 1:8 "Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory."

This has been quite a year for us. A year with many trials & many tears, yet many blessings as well! We have seen God do some miraculous works. For which we give Him all the praise and glory! Philippians 2:13 "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure."

Prayer Requests & Praises:

- 1) Praise for the open door to go on an extended furlough thru June 2012. Prayer for God to prepare hearts, provide offerings and new support to make up the great loss that we have experienced during all the economic upheaval. This has been a totally new (& learning) experience for us!
- 2) Praise for Gene & Rita Krehl and Earl & Joan Barnett for so graciously & faithfully filling our "shoes" while we are on furlough. They are doing a tremendous job and we greatly appreciate their dedication!
- 3) Pray as the Christmas shoe boxes and coloring books are going out that God would bring in fruit from the seed sown. We do not have a final count yet on the shoe boxes as they are still coming in, but we have 4,000 coloring books that are printed and being distributed. Pray much for this outreach!
- 4) Pray for our health — Jeff: with the increase in the heart medicine in August, he has seen a BIG improvement, but now found out he has a kidney stone and severe sleep apnea — pray as we deal with these. Meagan: suffered a pretty bad concussion on Oct. 12 playing basketball and then on Nov. 4 rolled her car multiple times exacerbating that concussion — praise the Lord she walked away with no other injuries per se! There are still substantial symptoms that she is dealing with (and will be for a while). This has affected her school work as well. So we greatly appreciate your prayers in all this!
- 5) Pray for the up-coming 2nd annual Pastor's Conference in Mexico the beginning of April. We are looking for help with monies for new materials to give each pastor. Also, for you men/pastor's who have some like-new, used ties in your closet that you would like to donate, let us know. If you weren't able to get involved with the Christmas outreaches, here is your chance to get involved!

We have had different ones ask how they can keep in touch while we are on furlough ... our phone number is the same (956-457-0853) & e-mail is jeffnbettina@gmail.com. All of our funds still go thru VIBM, PO Box 908, Donna, TX 78537 — correspondence can be sent there in our name as well. If you have e-mail, please let us know because we send out updates with a lot more info than we can put in a prayer letter.

We cannot thank you enough for your faithful support and prayers on our behalf and on behalf of the ministry that God has called us to! Please continue to uplift us in prayer! Your prayers are a vital part of God's sustaining grace!

Gratefully His,
Jeff, Bettina & Meagan Shue