



Unto us a Son is given

Christmas 2017

Dear Prayer Partner:

Well, its that time of the year again – Christmas, my *favorite* time of the year. I love it because it is the one time of the year that everyone on the planet must take note of the coming of Christ into the world. Many may not acknowledge His mission of mercy as our Savior, *that “...Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners...”* but history mandates it and they must accept the fact that he came, AMEN!

What a blessed joy to be in the service of our Lord, especially a military missionary. This is my 33rd year working in this great endeavor of reaching our military personnel and their families for Christ and its been a wonderful journey. We have seen many hundreds of young men, women and children come to Christ through these years and have seen many of these go on into the service of our Lord.

We now have 84 military missionaries serving with BIMM and two more will be meeting the Board this coming week. It is, indeed, a blessing to see them gladly serving our Lord in this great work! Many are serving overseas away from family and friends, and their hearts will be lonely for the fellowship of home. But they are committed to minister to our military serving our country who are also away from home and loved ones. If you have loved ones serving in the military I hope you will pray for them and encourage them any way possible during this special time of the year. Thank God that we have some dedicated missionaries in many places of the world there to minister to them.

It is also a great joy to see missionaries finish their deputation and head for the field. Since September we have seen two families leave for their field of service – the Jellisons to Okiawa and the Wolfes to Germany. In January three more will be heading to Japan: the Pinsons and Edwards to Yokosuka and the Martins will be going to Okinawa to work with the Jellisons in the new church being planted there in the northern part of the island. Then in February Don and Patsy Drake are heading to Spain to plant a new church in Moron. Please pray for these and pray that the Lord of the Harvest will send us some more missionaries who have a burden to minister to our military.

Joyce and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. May Christ be honored in your life and home during these holidays and may the new year be the best you have ever had. Thank you for your support and for your prayers. We love you and remain...

In Christ's Service,

Jeff & Joyce Alverson