



Pointing the Way to the Cross Internationally



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Dear Prayer Warriors,

It is that time of year again! So much has changed over the years. This season used to involve hanging the Christmas lights, decorating the tree, baking with mom, and family time. Oh, how I miss that! Life seemed so simple. Now it seems everywhere we look, we are bombarded and inundated with stuff, a commercialized Christmas! Have we lost the real meaning of Christmas in the business of the season? Those things are great, but they are not even the true reason for Christmas. A baby was born in a stable in Bethlehem, but not just any baby. He was then and still is today the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. When I think about what Jesus did for us, I think of the angels announcing His birth in Luke 2:10-11: ¹⁰ "But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord." (NIV) Our prayer for you is that the baby in the manger will find a place in your heart not only at Christmastime but forever!



Can you picture the moment when Jesus was born into this world? Why did He come here? To be rejected, spit on, mocked, persecuted, and then crucified? That is what He suffered for you and me. If you ever sat down and tried to think of all the things that Jesus has done for you, your head and heart would not be able to hold it. But there are so many who still have not heard the "Good News." My heart is grieved and burdened for those who have not heard of His Saving Love. As you ponder what God would have you to do this Christmas, please say a prayer for those around the world who do not know Jesus or have never heard of Him. We must be sensitive to God's Spirit and share His "Gift" with all those we know. In order to make the Gospel clear to take to the uttermost parts of the earth, CrossWay has designed the Gift Cube, and with this new tool, we will be able to share the love of God with those who have not heard the "Good News."

Please pray for us as God prepares our hearts for our next mission trip to Nicaragua in January. The men will be preaching at a pastors' conference with approximately 100 pastors, and the ladies will be teaching Bible School and doing crafts with the children. Also, we are taking 400 Spanish Bibles with us. Please pray that God will make room for them in our bags and that we will have no issues with getting there. Romans 10:14-15 says, ¹⁴ "How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'" (NIV)

We would like to thank you for all of your support (prayer and/or otherwise) for Nicaragua. We pray that you and your family have a blessed year in 2011. Please pray that God will provide us the ability to help those in Nicaragua who have not yet heard His message, and make clear to those who don't understand that salvation is a free gift, not something to be earned with works. "Confiar en Jesus Cristo solo, no trabajo." (Trust in Jesus Christ alone, not in works.)

In HIS Name,

Robert and Ann Messier

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