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Jesus is Born

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"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:11

Jesus Christ is born. How would you have felt if, while you were minding your own business, you suddenly heard that awesome proclamation? We sing about that great day each Christmas. Just ponder that truth: He came to be the Savior! WOW!

At Christmas, not only do we remember Jesus' birth, but we also remember why He came in the first place – to die on a cross to pay our sin penalty (Isaiah 53:5). We also remember His resurrection from the dead – guaranteeing the forgiveness of sins and eternal life which is freely given to all who believe in

Him (John 11:25-26).

One day Jesus will return. While we wait, He remains active in using His church to reach anyone who has yet to hear the Good News about Jesus and/or to believe in Him as Savior. He is at work in every local church, in every Christian mission organization and in every individual Christian to make disciples of all nations (Matt 28:18-20). What a Savior!

At Ethnos360 Bible Institute, the Lord is drawing our team together, making us more effective in our ministry of training future missionaries - missionaries who will spread the Good News and plant churches worldwide. We are both so very thankful for our ministries at EBI.

We praise the Lord that we get to disciple students at EBI. We especially love our Tuesday evening "Walking in Victory" study as well as leading a Wednesday chapel with 12 students. We just had our staff Christmas party. That was a lot of work

pulling that together, but it was worth it. What an encouragement to celebrate the birth of our Savior together.

We praise the Lord for our growing family. It's fun to think how last year at this time we didn't know that Amy and Dave would get engaged in January and married in July. This Christmas we celebrate with them as a married couple! We are thankful for our cute new grandson, Silas, born in May. We plan to see all our kids and



grandkids over Christmas break. Thankfully, we finally had the chance to visit Sue's family in Arizona in late October.

In all the busyness of life, it is easy to lose sight of the Lord and His use of everyday Christians to reach the world with the Good News. At a recent staff meeting we received an update on the Ethnos360 <u>Field Leaders</u> Forum in Thailand – they shared this picture of the huge number of missionaries in attendance who had all trained at New Tribes/Ethnos360 Bible Institute. It was so encouraging! A graduate of EBI is more than a graduate, they are instruments in the Lord's hand to share Christ worldwide.



Prayer and Praise:

- Please continue to pray for the sale of the Jackson property. It has been three and a half years since it was listed, and we wait on the Lord for its sale.
- EBI's application for accreditation should be submitted by the end of January. A lot of work has gone into this. We appreciate prayer for a smooth process.
- Praise: Since our last update the end of August, we have seen the Lord raise our support significantly, and we are now at 71% of our new recommended amount! Please continue to pray for us as we look to His increased provision. For more details on where we are at on our support, click here.

We love you and thank God for each one of you. Merry Christmas!

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