

or unto us a Child is Born. unto us a Son is Given.

"And thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins."

(Matthew 1:21)

December News 2006

Dear Praying Friends,

Not much is made of sin anymore in society. Many people do as they please despite its offense to God or man. The Lord still hates sin with the same holy passion and justice He always has. Thankfully, He sent His Son ("Christmas" means "Christ-sent") to pay the penalty for our sins. And He is still saving people from their sins.

The school year is winding up here. Many of our normal ministry activities will not begin again until the next school year begins in February. Please pray for the youth groups, religious education classes, and other outreaches as their finish up.

During this month we were able to have 4 days of evangelistic services with evangelist Glen Weeks. The Lord stirred the hearts of those that came along. One lady trusted Christ as Saviour on Sunday morning and another fellow told me he wanted to talk to me another time about getting saved (this was not a step away, but a step closer to the Lord for this guy.) Please pray that the results of the meetings would continue on into the new year and beyond.

Please help us pray about the purchase of some property. The Lord, I believe, has opened a door to buy a piece of property. Please pray that the Lord will supply wisdom and, if it is His will, the funds to pay for the property. A church building would have to be built on it, but the location is wonderful. Please help us pray.

We leave you with a quote by Jim Elliot from the book <u>Through Gates of Splendor</u>. Jim Elliot gave his life to reach the Auca Indians for Christ. These are his thoughts as he prepared for Christmas: "As we have a high old time this Christmas, may we who know Christ hear the cry of the damned as they hurdle headlong into the Christless night without ever a chance. May we be moved with compassion as our Lord was. May we shed tears of repentance for those we have failed to bring out of darkness. Beyond the smiling scenes of Bethlehem, may we see the crushing agony of Golgotha. May God give us a new vision of His will concerning the lost and our responsibility."

Have a blessed Christmas and a happy New Year.

Love,

Kelly, Becca, Reese, and Bryce Gilliam