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Dear Friends and Family,

If God would grant us the vision, the word sacrifice would disappear from our lips and thoughts; we would hate the things that seem now so dear to us; our lives would suddenly be too short, we would despise timerobbing distractions and charge the enemy with all our energies in the name of Christ. May God help us to judge ourselves by the eternities that separate the Aucas from a comprehension of Christmas and Him, who, though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor so that we might, through His poverty, be made rich. In 1955, Nate Saint wrote these words a week before Christmas and two weeks before he gave his life as a martyr for Christ. I hope we all enjoy this Christmas season, but that we enjoy it with a loose grip on the things of this world and a firm grasp of the fact that "Christ came into the world to save sinners."

Children in Australia have finished school for the year and start up the new school year at the end of January. Clarisse will be in eighth grade and Bryce in the fifth grade in the new year. We have lots to do between now and then, both at church with activities and outreaches connected with Christmas as well as chores around the house that have been neglected through the school year.

The end of the year activities went well with no one seriously hurt<sup>©</sup>. Please pray for the Christmas program coming up soon. Several unsaved friends we have made through sport, school and other activities have promised to come. As Christmas is one of two times a year that Australians, in general, are willing to go to church, this is a wonderful opportunity to present the gospel clearly to them. Please pray.

Please pray for rain! Townsville and surrounding areas are part of the tropics, but we have had three consecutive very dry years. The dam from which we get our water is down to less than thirty percent. December to February is supposed to be our wet season. Please pray that we get adequate rainfall.

Thank you for being an important part of this ministry. We are grateful for your prayers and financial support. On behalf of Becca, Reese and Bryce, I would like to wish you a very merry Christmas and a very blessed New Year.

With our love and prayers,

- Kelly, Becca, Clarisse and Bryce

"... the harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." —