Kelly & Rebekah Gilliam

Missionaries to





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December 2022 News

Dear Friends and Family,

"As we have a high old time this Christmas may we who know Christ hear the cry of the damned as they hurtle 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 these we have failed to bring out of darkness. Beyond the smiling scenes of Bethlehem may we see the crushing agony of Golgotha." These words were spoken by Nate Saint, missionary to Ecuador, who was martyred along with four others, as they sought to share the gospel. While enjoying the Christmas season is far from wrong, we must remember why Christ came into the world as a baby. Paul stated it well when he said, "This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Timothy 1:15a).

While school, youth groups and religious instruction classes have finished for the year, the opportunities for ministry are many. Next Sunday, the 11th of December, we will have a children's Christmas program. Each year, several visitors come along to this and here a clear presentation of the gospel. Please pray that many visitors come and that the gospel is presented clearly. The following Sunday evening, we will have a carols' sing. This too has been an effective outreach in the past. Please pray that the good news of Christ birth, death, resurrection and future return are shared through testimony and song. Finally, on Christmas day, we will have a 9am service. Many will come to church on Christmas who will not come to church any other time of year. Please pray for this special service that contacts can be made and hope given to all who come.

Please pray for three young ladies we have had the opportunity to minister to in the past and now once again. One is struggling with alcohol addiction and needs the Lord. The other two are searching for peace. Please pray that all three find rest in the Lord.

In family news, Reese and Bryce have finished their studies for the year. Both are working more and helping out in church as they can. Please pray for Bryce as he begins year twelve in January and seeks to pursue whatever the Lord has for him in the future. Becca is having some issues with one of her ankles. She has a very high pain tolerance but has commented that her ankle really hurts, so it must really, really hurt if she is mentioning it. Pray that the doctors can figure out the most effective way to help her.

Thank you so much for your gracious giving and faithful prayer support. We hope you have a wonderful Christmas and very blessed new year.

With our love and prayers,

Kelly, Becca, Clarisse and Bryce