



December 2010

Jerry, Itzen, & Jezen wish all of you a very, merry Christmas.

This year has been a special blessing to us because of our daughter. We can see her changing a little bit each day. Now that she is walking she is a little hard to keep up with, but she is so interested in everything. We can see her developing her character before our very eyes. She is a happy little child and already doing funny things. One thing she does not like at all, and I suppose it's the same with all children, she does not like the word "no". As with all new mothers and fathers, we can see that this is going to be a challenge for us. We see the need to help her develop a good character, but for now, she has brought great joy to our lives.

The Bible school has been a challenge to us this year as we notice with each passing year that the students are more intelligent, but have less fear and respect for God. As a whole they are quick learning, but are distracted by everything around them. They cannot really concentrate on what they are doing. For this reason, we have decided to receive no more than twelve students at any one time. We are trying to mold lives, and in this day and age, it seems more difficult than in years past. I have been told this is not a local problem in Mexico, but is a worldwide problem. Most young people want to do well, but have not the patience. We have known for the last few years that young people do not know how to love one another and love God as they should. Howbeit, there are a few exceptions. Once in a while, we can see young men who are natural pastors, and they do have the love and kindness and patience that it takes to have a successful ministry. Our job is to try to mold and develop the talents that each one of them has so that they can not only become good citizens, but also understand how to have a fruitful and lasting ministry.

I know that a Christmas letter should be an uplifting one and full of great things that we have accomplished, however, this is not the case. The church where I am presently pastoring has had various problems, and we had to deal with some difficult issues. We are praying that God will send us a new family which would be an encouragement to the few people we have. I remember working with my Dad in years past, knocking on doors and it seemed the people were more open than they are now. We faithfully continue this at least four times a week, soul winning with my family and the Bible school students. It is our prayer that we have more success in the coming New Year than we have in this past year. I believe the coming of our Lord will be soon, and while we are looking forward to that day, we will remain faithful. It is our desire that the Lord finds us busy for Him when He comes back for His church.

Thank you so very much for all your prayers and your sacrifices in giving to this ministry. It is our desire that each of you have a very blessed Christmas and a Spirit filled New Year.

Jerry, Itzen & Jezen Shaw

*Please don't forget our 26th annual missionary field conference from January 17th -21st, 2011.  
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