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Merry Christmas



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A Great Light

Wednesday morning at 3:44am MST is the winter solstice for 2016. Known as the shortest day of the year, it is also the darkest day of the year. On this day, December 21st, the sun rises at 7:17am and sets at 4:39pm giving us only 9 hours and 22 minutes of daylight here in Colorado. But this is a long day compared to what we experienced when we lived in North Pole, Alaska. The shortest day there is 3:41 minutes --- not much light.

Physical light is important --- we all desire it. That is why we visit sunny warm places in the winter time – so we can bask in the warmth of the sun. But as important as sunlight is to us physically and emotionally, it cannot overcome the spiritual darkness that pervades the heart of every man, woman, and child. The only thing that can conquer that darkness is the “Great Light” --- Jesus Christ.

This is the reason the birth of Jesus is so important. The prophet Isaiah foretold this long before Christ’s birth. *The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. **Isaiah 9:2*** Jesus came to rescue us from the darkness --- from our sinfulness. Matthew wrote in his Gospel concerning Jesus, that He would come to “*save his people from their sins*”. **Matthew 1:21**

As you celebrate Christmas, please remember to pray for the military men and women around the world who need to have their spiritual eyes opened to see and come to know the “Great Light” --- Jesus Christ. And as you pray, remember also to pray for the Cadence missionaries who are sharing the Gospel and their lives with them. May the “Light of the world” fill your Christmas and the coming New Year with His love, joy, and peace!

Light – from Genesis to Revelation

*And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. **Genesis 1:3***

*The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? **Psalm 27:1***

*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. **Isaiah 9:2***

*In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. **John 1:4-5***

*Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." **John 8:12***

*This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. **1 John 1:5***

*And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. **Revelation 22:5***

As this year comes to a close we want to thank you for praying for us and supporting us financially as we help bring the Gospel to the military community. Politics have captured the spotlight this past year. It seemed like it would never end. Even after the elections, the battle continues to rage. What has been made so clear is that, more than ever, people are longing for a leader --- a savior really, who will satisfy their every need. The winning candidate's slogan is "Make America Great Again". Can America be great again? Well, we will find out. I think, though, that America's problem is not it's lack of greatness, but rather, its understanding of where greatness comes from. This past January a friend of mine addressed this problem with words that are worth remembering because they are true. "America has been great, because God has been great in America."

Please pray with us that God will once again be great in America. Maybe then God will bless America with greatness once again!

Grace and Peace,

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