



Merry Christmas

From the Smiths!



Dearest Friends, Volunteers, & Supporters,

This year, we have been thinking a lot about what this world would be like if Jesus had not come! Can you imagine?

- We would have no New Testament
- There would be no offer of salvation
- The Jews would still be living under the law
- Gentiles would have no hope at all – no reason to worship anything but self or pagan gods because when He brought salvation, He brought it for everyone – Jew or Gentile – but not if He had not come.
- Old Testament promises would go unfulfilled & the people who sat in darkness would still be sitting in darkness.
- There would be no hope, no joy, no light!
- Because there is some goodness in man, there may be a few scattered soup kitchens, or homeless shelters, but no churches – why would there be if there were no hope to offer -- no salvation to be freely given?
- No promise of Heaven would be waiting for us at the end of our lives – only darkness & dust.
- There would be no prince of peace, no wonderful counsellor – no Emmanuel or “God with us.”
- There would be no supply of grace for the hardships of life.
- We would not have the Holy Spirit to walk beside us, comfort, convict & guide us into truth.
- There would be no intercessory prayer for us by Jesus to the Father
- No mediator between us & God
- With no Life, no Truth, no Way, men’s hearts would be dark & cold & cruel – even more so than they already are -- & life on this earth would be most hopeless & miserable.

We can't truly imagine what this life would be like if Jesus had not come. Thank God we don't have to because Jesus did come – “Joy to the World,” we sing, “the Lord is come!” This Christmas we are so grateful for His presence in our lives & the many gifts we enjoy because He came.

One of those gifts is YOU!! So, we want to take this moment to say, “Thank you for faithfully supporting us in prayer, in service, or in giving -- so that we can continue Reaching this World with our Tools! We wish you & your loved ones a Blessed Christmas & a New Year fully aware of & grateful for His presence among us!”

Your Missionaries & Friends,

Philip & Susan Smith

“Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.” Matthew 1:23