



Little Town of Bethlehem

December 2023

Dear Praying Friends,

The month of December has always been a fascinating and an exciting time for me. This is the month we celebrate the coming of the Creator of the whole Universe and mankind into the world He has created. Think of how He entered our world – through a virgin's womb. Born in the town of Bethlehem, a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger. His arrival was not announced to the king on his throne in the capital Jerusalem, but to poor shepherds in the open fields watching over their flocks by night! Fascinating stuff, is it not? Why would He come in this way? To seek and save a wretched sinner as I am, and all who are humble enough to acknowledge their own sinfulness and their inability to atone for their sins.

The exciting part is that God the Son, even Jesus Christ our Lord, is still seeking and saving all sinners everywhere who would truly repent of their sins and call upon His wonderful name for salvation! December therefore is an exciting time to celebrate this good news that JESUS SAVES!

My wife and I are here in the US, having arrived in Manassas, Virginia, on October 10, 2023. Prior to our coming, we roamed the health centers in Accra, Ghana, for eight weeks seeking medical help for my wife concerning a debilitating sickness, which could not be diagnosed. Our daughter Ruth flew in from Virginia to Accra, Ghana, to help her mother, and when she realized the desperate situation we were embroiled in, decided to bring us to Virginia where my wife is now receiving treatment. Some specialist diagnosed her condition as allergy. Since treatment started, she has responded favorably and her condition has improved remarkably. She is still under the care of an allergy specialist, and we hope and pray as that doctor dispenses medication, that the Lord Himself, in whom we trust, will bring about complete healing.

Please continue to remember us in prayer. All ten of the churches in Ghana are doing well except two which lack resident pastors.

We are also thankful for your prayers and financial support for our ministries.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!

Sincerely in Christ,

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