

Newsletter 2014

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Just thought I would share with you some of the Christmas spirit that was exchanged between KIMA and the men and women of Mexico that we have been blessed to be in partnership with as we share the Good News of Jesus Christ. On December 23, 2013, I shared the following email with each of the men and women that we help. I personalized it by substituting their names for "brothers and sisters in Christ".

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Marty and I, and all who are associated with KIMA, want to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. You are very special people whom God has chosen to be His messengers and we feel honored to be partners with you. Even as God sent His messengers, the angels, who brought the Good News to those shepherds taking care of their flocks at night so He sends you, His messengers, to bring the Good News of the salvation, the birth of Jesus -His life - suffering - death - and resurrection, to share in your neighborhoods, communities, and the workplaces. I pray that as the true message of Christmas warms your hearts and fills you with His love, that you will become more energized and enthusiastic in leading others to come into a very real and personal relationship with God.



The words in Luke 2:10-11 are very special. **"But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.**¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born <u>to you</u>; he is the Messiah, the Lord." I like especially the words in verse eleven where it says, "que <u>os</u> ha nacido hoy," unto you. That makes it personal. The Gospel teaches that Christ was born for our benefit and that everything He did and suffered was for us. A Savior has been born to you.

As we close this year we begin to make plans for next year. We will continue to make plans until our dear Lord comes and calls each of us home. If there are any special needs or concerns I would ask you to share them.

Thank you for all that you do to help extend His Kingdom. May God continue to bless you, your family, and your ministries.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Pastor Norman and Marty Finke

On December 27,I received the following from Vicar, soon to be Rev., Samuel Perez Herrera:



SANTISIMA TRINIDAD - Matamoros Mx.

Thank you Pastor Finke for this word that is a blessing to our lives, is a blessing to share the word with others. And it is a greater blessing to listen to them and take possession of the same words.

Through this medium I respond to this greeting and send to you and your family and all the KIMA team who has been a blessing for 5 years, we are always grateful for your love for us. And your unconditional support. I recognize that it is something that comes from your heart without any compromise and that's of much admiration. You are a great contributor to the kingdom of God and I have no doubt how much you love the Ministry here in Mexico.

I also know that it has not been easy, but I also know that despite how hard it is for you, you have not given up and have fought for the love of God and the growth of His work among us. Your support has been very helpful and if you look at Mexico you will realize that each support sent has not been wasted.

It only remains to say thanks, for allowing God to use you, and my desire for you and your family is one double blessing for the coming year and may God add more each year to you.

Merry Christmas and a very blessed New Year.

Atte. Pastor V. Samuel Pérez H. Iglesia Evangélica Luterana "Santísima Trinidad" H. Matamoros Tamps. Mx.



On December 31, 2013 I received the following from Yolanda Guevara Jaramillo, Pastor Isaac's wife: Pastor Norman and Marty,

Greetings, as they have been, I hope that you had a very blessed Christmas.

I would like to thank God first for all His blessings and for each of your lives and because one day God allowed us to know each other and God to use your lives and KIMA in a big way to help our family my children and I to collaborate in the ministry that God has entrusted to my husband to announce the Good News of salvation.

I wish you a happy new year full of blessings and that God continues filling your hearts with His great love.

A greeting and a very strong hug for your whole family.

Your sister in Christ,

Yolanda.

On December 24, 2013 I received the following from Rev. Isaac Garcia Castillo:

Pastor Norman Finke and Marty,

Hello friends and brethren in Christ,

We want to wish you a Merry Christmas and a new year full of blessings at the side of your loved ones, and that God

continues using your lives to His service. You have always been a great blessing for us and we thank God for having you as friends and brothers in Christ, thank you for all your support and encouragement for the Ministry and the work that our God has entrusted to us for sharing of His great love for all mankind.

Merry Christmas and a blessed new year,

Pastor Isaac Garcia and family

On December 24, 2013 I received the following from Job Jimenez: Thanks for all pastor!!

God bless your day and Christmas, and new year 2014!!

In warm Jesus love

Lay Pastor Job Jimenez

When they say thank you or God bless you they are talking about all of you who have done anything to to help support their ministry. I also say, "Thank You" because without you little would be done. May God continue to bless you, your families, and your ministries!

Rev. Norman Finke KIMA





