“Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice:” Psalm 63:7

Born King

“Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? “
Matthew: 2: 1-2a

Over 2000 years ago, Jesus was born “King” and ever since that day, war has raged against his reign. While some receive him and serve him, many reject him and fight against him. The wise men sought him to bring him gifts, but the news of his royal birth so troubled the heart of Herod that Joseph and Mary were forced to flee with Jesus to Egypt to spare his life. When Nathanael first met Jesus, he declared “Thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel.” As Jesus approached the Mount of Olives riding on a colt, the whole multitude of disciples praised God saying, “Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord.” Pilate asked Jesus, “Art thou the King….?” Jesus replied, “Thou sayest that I am a King. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world.” Pilate’s plea to the angry mob was “Shall I crucify your King?” But the people would not allow Jesus to reign over them, so He was delivered to be crucified. The title was put on the cross “JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.”

Today, we serve the Lamb of God; and we look and wait for His return as the Lion of the tribe of Juda. One day, we will say together with the four and twenty elders,” We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned”

Jesus will reign, to this end He was born. Let Jesus reign in your life now! And let us be faithful to bring as many as we can to the One who was born King. “

-John Peeples, IBFI Mission Director

October/November 2015

- Larry and Regina McKinney (N.A. Indians) celebrated paying off the mortgage note on the Tacoma Indian Baptist Church this past October. A faithful preacher friend of the McKinney’s recently passed away. Bro. McKinney had led him to the Lord several years ago. Please pray for Regina’s upcoming surgery that all will go well.
- **Ron and Kathy Valerio (Dominican Republic)** Bro. Ron was able to witness to some men at a car wash. The men are interested in learning more about God’s Word through a regular Bible Study lead by Bro. Valerio. Please pray that they will come to know Christ.

- **Daniel and Michelle Jones (Mexico/Rio Grande Valley)** continue to disciple the new converts so they can “teach others.” They have recently had seven trust Christ on visitation. The Jones’ request prayer for a permanent place to meet as a church. They are currently renting. Please pray for Jo Weaver (Michelle’s mom). She has had serious health problems recently.

- **True and Diana Hawkins (Brazil)** report ten students at the institute in Manaus this semester. The Hawkins’ request prayer for Pastor Valmir and his wife Rosimery. The Lord is using them in a great way, but they are going through many difficulties. Please pray for them as they recently lost their five year old daughter to a high fever. Please continue to pray for the churches and members as they face much violence.

- **Leon and Beck Wambsganss (Accent Radio)** please continue to pray for Bro. Leon and Becky. Bro. Leon is unable to walk due to the massive stroke. God continues to use the Accent Radio ministry to reach the Hispanic people!

- **Leslie and Alba Priday (Honduras)** report one of their church members lead two young men to the Lord after completing a soul winning course. The Priday’s request prayer for the upcoming Youth Camp.

- **Harold and Lena Priday (Honduras)** The Lord continues to bless the mission work. The Priday’s are looking to buy a lot for the church building. At present, they are renting. The work continues to go forward as the church members are being trained to serve the Lord.

- **Bill and Sharon Smith (Brazil)** request prayer for Bro. Bill. He is having extensive dental work done. Also, Sharon request prayer for her sister who has had ongoing health problems. The church anniversary service in Caracarai was well attended with 120 present.

**Happy Thanksgiving!**