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Dear Praying Friends,

Christmas Update

We pray you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We certainly did – we were able to be a part of some of the big events back home in Merida and also see all of our kids and grandkids during the holidays. Though it's not quite time for our next Newsletter, we couldn't wait to share with you the many answers to your prayers during the Christmas season!



The **San Jose Tzal Baptist Church** had 2 big evangelistic events during the Christmas season. The first was in a new village that they are beginning to work in. There were approximately 400 people who attended the event – all of whom heard the gospel! The second one was at their church where many of their unsaved friends and relatives also heard the gospel. They are also praising the Lord for the 30 leaders who helped them to organize these events – this is the largest ministry team they have ever had.

The **South Merida Baptist Church's** Christmas program was very special with games, music by Josh and his family (a very proud grandparent moment), a participation by the children's ministry, and a delicious Christmas dinner. They had several unsaved friends and relatives in attendance. Praise the Lord for the growth under their new pastor – they saw many saved and baptized in 2025 had 6 new people began discipleship this past week.



The **Caucel City Baptist Church** also had 2 big Christmas events. One for their church members and their unsaved guests. The second one was in a new village where they had 76 children attend – all of whom heard a clear gospel presentation. 30 of their parents made professions of faith. They are doing weekly discipleship classes for these children and their parents now in 2026.

At the **North Merida Baptist Church** 8 of the different ministries had special Christmas events where they were able to share the gospel with many unsaved friends and family members. One group planned a special event at a rest home. The construction team also had a Christmas party where the gospel was preached and 8 workers were saved! Then, the whole church came together at a rented facility for a big program where a little over 400 people attended and 6 more were saved. We praise the Lord for the GREAT things HE hath done in Merida and the surrounding villages!



We can't thank you enough for your prayers! God bless each of you...Larry and Tammy Allred