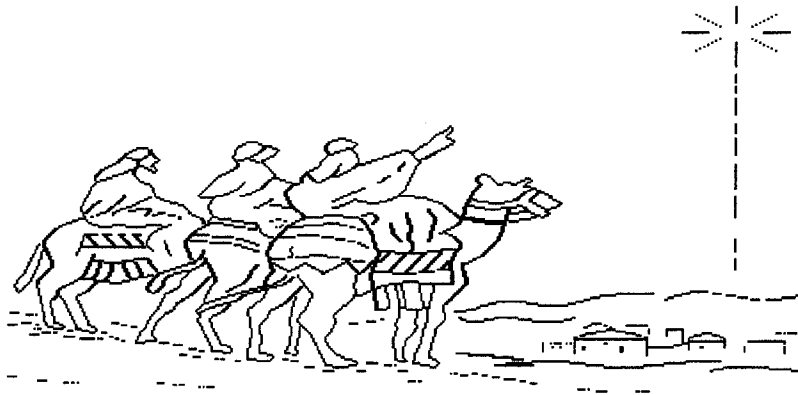


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"... and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy."



Dear Friends,

After a brief mini furlough we are once again back in our ministry in Spain. This morning, Nov. 23rd, we had 36 present in the services and we are grateful to the Lord for the opportunities he continues to give us to share the Gospel. It is a special blessing to see, year after year, how there are new believers who find a special "joy" as they celebrate Christmas in a much different way than they did the year before. We continue to covet your prayers for those that the Lord brings into our lives. Pray especially for Ricardo who seems to be very close to salvation. His wife Belen is growing wonderfully in the Lord and we will probably have baptisms soon. Mari Angeles seems to have had a genuine conversation experience but has problems coming to church because of a bedridden mother and so many other commitments. Ramon and Patricia, a couple with a Baptist background from Argentina, come faithfully to church with their 16 year old son, Jorge.

Work is again beginning on the farmhouse and we will be very occupied for the winter months. We will be trying to prepare a fairly large project for a big group of men coming from the States in late March or early April. Getting these projects ready is always a big job. The Lord is wonderfully supplying the funds for these projects and it is wonderful to see the building getting more and more useable and trusting the Lord for it to be a special place for the salvation and blessing of many Europeans in the years to come.

Thank you again so much for your faithful prayers and support. Have a wonderful Christmas Season and may the "joy of the Lord," be ours at this special season. God bless.

Sincerely in Christ,

Al & Helga Bonikowsky