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Dear Partners, Friends and Relatives,

As we are nearing the end of 2020, we want to wish each of you a very Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving as well as a Joyous Christmas as we celebrate our many blessings of the year and our Lord's birth. This has been quite a year hasn't it?! An invisible virus that we cannot see except under a scientist's microscope has all but shut down our world at times. And Covid 19, that we all became aware of in the early part of this year has caused pain, economic deprivation, grief and established a "new normal" lifestyle. Social distancing, masking, constant handwashing and sanitizing have become the norm. We are so very thankful that God has spared us from Covid 19 even when our niece and her daughter who are often with us tested positive with it in September. Thankfully, they were not ill and we, though having been with them not long before their tests, did not come down with it. Others of our families seem to have also been spared from the virus and we praise the LORD and pray that He continues to be so gracious to us.

While many have had this illness and succumbed to it our TWR President, Lauren Libby, has suggested to us that "in such a time as this" that God has used TWR mightily in the lives of listeners. TWR's Ministry has been able to offer informational programming of health and spiritual hope and help during these times. Listenership in many areas has gone up, especially on our internet ministry, as people have sought answers to this virus. TWR has broadcast many programs on many different media platforms informing of the virus as well as giving mental, emotional and spiritual health advice during this time. While we think of the virus as being so bad and in so many ways such a pain in our lives and plans, God has used it in many lives to bring them to Himself.

On another topic, we have heard from our friends and co-workers in Cambodia how the flooding during this monsoon season has been especially damaging to crops, homes and the health of people. The following information and picture call us to pray for Cambodia. Ten adults and 8 children have already died, and more than 52,000 acres of rice fields flooded; 51,000+ homes and 439 schools and 53,000 families have been affected with 6,200 families having to evacuate to higher ground somewhere. Please pray for the people of Cambodia during this time as they have at least another month of monsoon rains.



A street has become a river.

And to change topics again, here are two interesting listener responses. The first one is from a woman in Turkey: "I am a 22-year-old woman and was wondering whether women are worthless in other religions as well. In my family neither me nor my mother had any worth. Our family never asked us about anything - they just decided over us. The same thing continued after I got married. I always asked myself why God does not love women. What have we done? Even when we get abused as women, we get the blame and I couldn't understand that. I talked with a friend, and she said the evil one had deceived us and therefore we were thrown out of Eden. She said that there is a curse over women. "Then I found your programs. I listened to them in secret, and it's difficult for me, but I always find a way. Christ has done so many things for me. I accepted Him into my life, and I'm so happy because I know I'm worthy to him. He cares about me and he doesn't look at me as a woman but as His child. I never experienced a love like that before in my life. He gives me strength. Thank you for being there and for the work you are doing. It has changed my life."

From Indonesia: "Some days ago, your program shared how Jesus was rejected by his own creation. The words of God on the program confirm my faith. I too am rejected by my own family because I became a Christian and believe in Jesus. Now, I don't have a permanent place to live; I have to move from one place to another. But I give thanks to the Lord Jesus because he accepts me. Although the world rejects me, I know that Jesus always loves me."

Please pray for listeners like these in Turkey and Indonesia, Muslim countries, who face persecution if they turn to Christ. There are many, many thousands of Christians who face such persecution in countries of Africa, the Middle East, Asia and Central Asia and parts of China and North Korea. At the same time, God is using media and the internet to be a beacon of hope to such people. TWR is a part of this effort to not only serve the whole Church of Jesus Christ everywhere but the persecuted church especially. Pray for the persecuted church around the world to stand firm in the face of persecution and to have God's face and grace shine on them.

We won't be sending out a Christmas letter, so we want to take this time to wish you a Blessed, Joyous, and Merry Christmas as you celebrate our Lord's birth.

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