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To our Russian ministry partners in the Lord.

"Tis the season to be jolly" the song says, but in reality "tis the season to be thankful". This season should bring out our thankfulness to our Lord more than in any other time. When God decided to visit planet earth in our image to have fellowship with us, it became the greatest time in history. By coming to us in our form, he brought us love, grace, forgiveness and salvation. The four greatest gifts we could ever have. Our thankfulness to Him is overflowing and should be never ceasing.

This should remind us to be thankful for one another as we work together for our Lord and Savior in telling the world of these great gifts.

I want to take this opportunity to tell you how thankful I am for each of you who have joined with us in telling the Russian people about these gifts. They in turn join with me to thank you for learning about the love, grace, forgiveness and salvation that the baby Jesus brought to this world 2000 years ago. I know that this last year has especially been difficult financially for many of you, but your faithfulness to this mission has seen us through, and we are so grateful for that.

In keeping with the season I want to share a poem with you that I ran across - This was written by Peter Enns of Wisser Family Productions. I am sharing this with you with his permission.

HOW DO I TELL JOE?

She remembered the day, and knew it was real
Gabriel had said it and now she could feel,
Something had happened, because she believed.
By the Spirit of God, she had conceived.
Mary was pregnant and starting to show.
When she got home, she had to tell Joe.

Three months she had lived with Liz and Zach.
But now it was time for her to go back.
Pregnant with John, Elizabeth knew,
What Mary had said about Gabriel was true.
Gabriel's words still rang in her ear,
"Mary, you're blessed. You have nothing to fear."

Joseph was waiting when Mary got in.
He wanted the news of where she had been.
Having her home, made Joseph feel good.
She tried to explain it, the best that she could.
"Joseph, I'm pregnant", Mary began.
"But darling, please trust me. It wasn't a man."

He was confused, as he left her that night.
It didn't make sense. How could it be right?
He would believe, if he knew it was true.
He tried to decide what he should do.
God smiled on Mary. What she didn't know,
since the baby was His, He would tell Joe.

May you have a blessed Christmas and New year as we work together and wait for Him to visit us in our image once again only this time on a white horse and as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

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