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Dear Prayer Partner,

Greetings from Texas. I arrived back in the States on December 14th after spending time in Amazonas Brazil. I was blessed to be a part of the Home Missions program of the last church Daisey and I helped the Lord to start in Manaus, the capital of Amazonas. I also got to visit and speak in the school for the children of lepers. On the last day I was asked to speak at the closing ceremony for Onase, better known in the states as Awana. What a blessing to see how the churches in the state of Amazonas are on missions at home and around the world. Manaus has become the seventh richest city in Brazil and has increased in population.

Christmas was everywhere to be seen, and I could not help but speak on the subject. Isaiah 7:14 we read, "**Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.**" We know that Immanuel means "**God with us,**" and is a sign of the virgin birth. This was biologically impossible without a divine miracle of creation. However, the virgin birth tells us that the omnipotent God has become the God man once and for all.

Our Lord's entrance was not made in an emperor's place as a great personality. His entrance was in the very humblest of circumstances and was the first of many signs as to who the Babe of Bethlehem was. The angle told the shepherds, "**And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.**"

A few days later Jesus was taken to the aged prophet Simeon who said, "**Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against...that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed**" (Luke 2:34,25). Yes, Jesus became the God man and even this Christmas He is God's sign to the whole world that one's eternal destiny was when the Babe of Bethlehem was nailed to a cross and said, "**It is finished.**"

Thanks for your prayers and financial support.

**Unworthily His,
Wendell Hiers**

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
THINK WHAT WE CAN DO TOGETHER!