

Dear fellow workers,

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Ruth and I thank you for your love and financial support for us and the Pensacola Hospitality House.

We celebrate that Jesus was born fully human and that He has always been fully God. But what if Jesus had never been born? What would the world look like? I skimmed an article written for a newspaper in 1884, written by Frances Power Cobbe, entitled "A Faithless World." In her article, she asks what society would look like in 1,000 years if there were only atheists. In a little over 100 years, not the 1,000 in her article, our daily newspapers reveal the truth of her writings. However, Jesus has been born! On the cross, Jesus died and paid for our sins in full (it is finished). What great joy it is that God dwells in the hearts of all true believers today!

I have been sharing with two guys who have been reading their Bibles to discover what it means to become a Christian. Watching men search the Scriptures to see if what I have shared is true is always exciting. The chaplain in charge of the evening service has asked several of us (me included) to preach about the different people of faith from

Hebrews 11. I spoke about Jacob and later about Rahab. Ruth finished studying Hebrews with a woman via the phone, and now they have started studying Romans.

Please continue to pray for us that we will have the wisdom to know what to share. Some of the military students are only here in Pensacola for a few weeks. We want to see them come to Christ and serve Him wherever the military sends them.

Praise the Lord! Ruth has had two eye surgeries since July, and her last appointment with the eye surgeon was in November. She finally got new glasses, and her vision has greatly improved. I'm dealing with trigger fingers (if you don't know what they are, consider yourself very fortunate).

We would love to hear from you and how God is working in your life.

In Him, Skip & Ruth

Sharing the gospel and our lives with the military community

