



*from all of us here at*

# EMU International

We want to wish you and your family a ...

- **Merry Christmas** from our English speakers Ted and Marla Allston, Jeff & Joanna Davis, Ken & Joan Jensen, John & Suzie Lehman, and our finance assistant Pam Ault, and her husband Wayne. It is a privilege to serve our missionaries and their faithful partners. Please, let us know if there is any way that we can better serve you. Thank you for your faithfulness in prayers and financial support.
- **Feliz Navidad** (Spanish), from Tim & Cheryl Chapman in Peru, Tom & Connie Chapman in Chile, Marco & Gwendolyn Nunez in Mexico, Matias & Kristine Espinel in Uruguay, John Mark & Deborah Steel in Uruguay, plus our national missionaries in Mexico and Uruguay. With 559 million people speaking Spanish, it is the fourth most spoken language in the world behind, English, Mandarin Chinese, and Hindi (India). More of our missionaries speak Spanish than any other language.
- **Joyeux Noël** (French) from Tim and Ruth Bixby in France. I will be with the Bixbys from December 1-7. Since French is a Latin language like Spanish, I can decipher a little bit of it. Pronouncing it is a different story. I would appreciate your prayers as I seek to be a blessing to our missionaries.
- **Sretan Božić** (Croatian) from Kornel and Tanja Crnkovic. I will be with the Crnkovics from December 8-13. As part of the Slavic language group, Croatian is considered one of the most difficult languages to learn. I do my best but struggle to pronounce words the same way they do. I'm a little nervous about my return flight from Croatia to Paris. I only have a couple of hours to make my connection on a different airline. If you are up early, around 6 a.m. EST on December 13, say a little prayer for me.
- **عيد ميلاد مجيد** (Arabic – pronounced eid milad majid) from J & M. We are excited to hear how God is at work in the Arabic world. We are thrilled to play a small part. For security reasons, we do not list our missionaries' names. If you would like more information on how you can play a part, please contact our office.
- **វិករាយថ្ងៃបុណ្យណូអែល** (Khmer – Cambodia, pronounced rikreay thngai bony nauel) from JD & Kim Crowley, Jeremy & Bonnie Ruth Farmer, Matt & Becky Hancock, Brooke Illsley, Josh & Amy Jensen, and Brian & Lydia Kane. We could have included several other languages in which our missionaries have been instrumental in developing alphabets.
- **క్రిస్మస్ శుభాకాంక్షలు** (Telugu – India – pronounced Krismas śubhākāñkṣalu) from Billy & Saritha. When I traveled to India, I asked a worker at the airport how to say thank you. He asked in what language? India's constitution officially recognizes twenty-two different languages. There are literally hundreds of languages in India. With 81 million people speaking Telugu, it is the fourth most spoken language in India.

# Merry CHRISTMAS

