# DEGEMBER 2022 MERRY CHRISTMAS from the Page's

"...for behold, I bring you **good news** of a great joy which shall be for all people; for today there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:10-11

#### Merry Christmas dear friends and family

The year 2022 brought exciting ministry opportunities for us at SOAR and some new adventures for our family. We deeply appreciate each one of you and eagerly anticipate hearing from you.

## Helping Ukrainian Refugee Kids this Christmas



At SOAR we have had the privilege of ministering to Ukrainian refugees fleeing into Moldova because of the war. Our Moldovan partners are tirelessly working with Ukrainian people some of whom have lost family & homes, some have no electricity or food in these winter months. SOAR staff have traveled there this year to help in this critical situation.

On January 1 our SOAR team takes our Stuff a Stocking project and the Good News of Christ's birth to Ukrainian refugee children both in Moldova & Ukraine, if it remains safe.

Our partners in Russia and Abkhazia will also pass out Stockings and Bibles to orphans and children in crisis even though the war prevents us from traveling there at this time. We still need over 2000 stockings to meet our needs. Want to help? Click here: <u>http://www.stuffastocking.org/</u>





#### 50 Golden Years: 1972-2022

Dick and I pledged our love to each other on August 12, 1972 in Tacoma, WA. That someone would cherish me for 50 years is a stunning gift. I am so grateful for a faithful husband who has stayed true to his vows and is faithfully devoted to serving God in what He has called us to do!! As we reflect on 50 years of life together, we count our blessings from God and remember His goodness to us! We celebrated our 50th with loving friends & family.



Dick, Scott & Jayden made a bucket list trip to Oshkosh, WI for the EAA Airventure Air Show in late July! They also did recruiting for our SOAR staff.

SOAR sponsored Bible camps in Russia (St. Petersburg & Ryazan), Abkhazia (see picture of a very special camp for the



disabled) and also in Moldova for children of Ukrainian refugees. God's love and the truth of the Gospel were shared in each of these camps and God was at work. We have amazing partners who continue the ministry even though we cannot go to Russia at this time.

#### FAMILY ADVENTURES



Scott (son), Steph & family have moved from Alaska to North Carolina near our son Kevin's family. Scott is establishing a SOAR South while Steph continues home-schooling. Moving has been a HUGE job!!

They expect a little girl on February 16th, so we plan to be in NC for a short time this winter. During that time Dick will have shoulder surgery and begin his recovery so we value your prayers.

While in NC we will enjoy extra time with Kevin, Rebecca & their 10 children. Kevin continues as VP of Finance at 1-800-PACKRAT! Levi just received his driver's license and Lydia was baptized! They completed a major house remodel a huge asset in their love for hospitality. What joy it was to have Kevin and Rebecca travel to Alaska for our 50th anniversary.



### Joy to the world! The Lord has come! What HOPE that "good news of great joy" gives us in this wonderful season!



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With warmest love & best wishes for 2023 MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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