

Merry Christmas from all of us at Racing with Jesus Ministries!

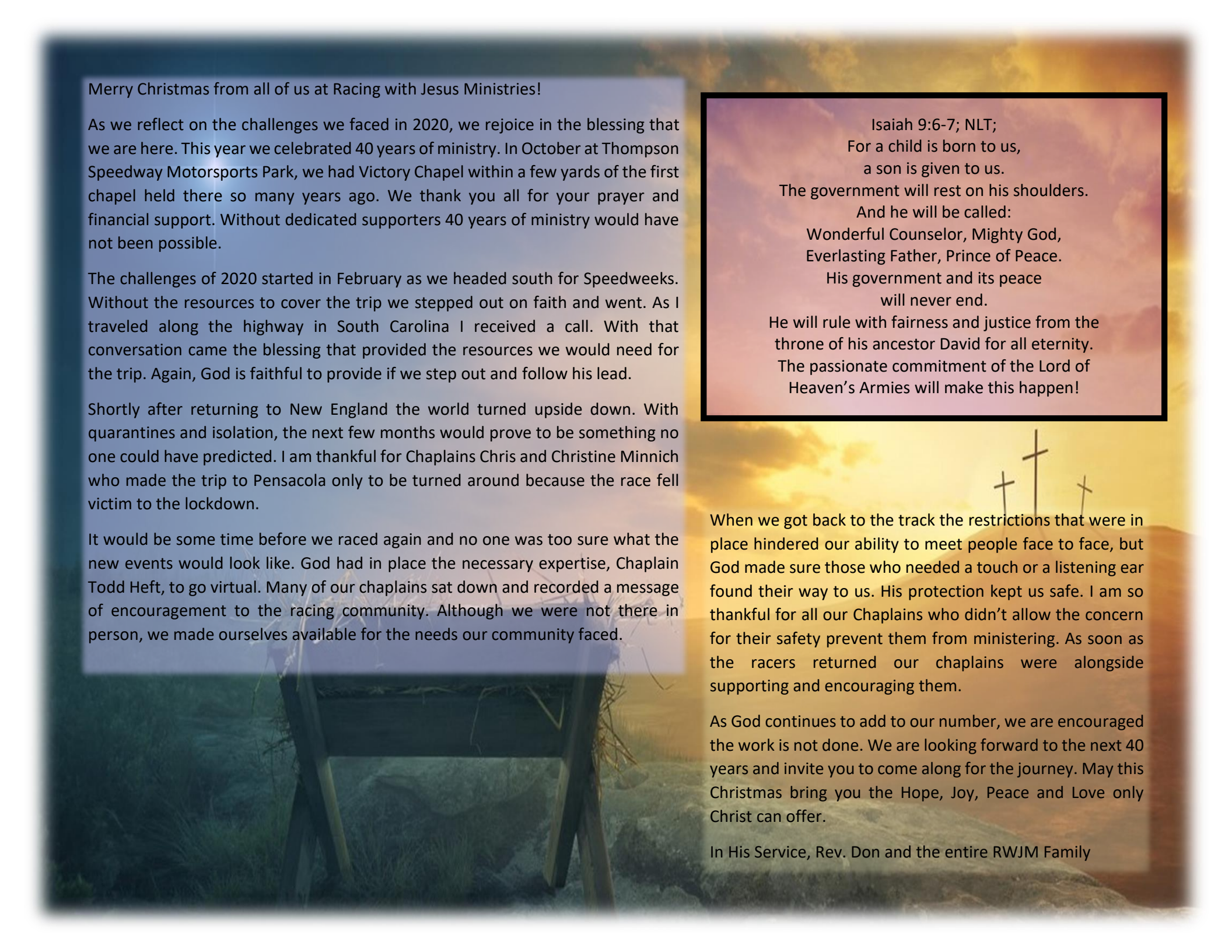
As we reflect on the challenges we faced in 2020, we rejoice in the blessing that we are here. This year we celebrated 40 years of ministry. In October at Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park, we had Victory Chapel within a few yards of the first chapel held there so many years ago. We thank you all for your prayer and financial support. Without dedicated supporters 40 years of ministry would have not been possible.

The challenges of 2020 started in February as we headed south for Speedweeks. Without the resources to cover the trip we stepped out on faith and went. As I traveled along the highway in South Carolina I received a call. With that conversation came the blessing that provided the resources we would need for the trip. Again, God is faithful to provide if we step out and follow his lead.

Shortly after returning to New England the world turned upside down. With quarantines and isolation, the next few months would prove to be something no one could have predicted. I am thankful for Chaplains Chris and Christine Minnich who made the trip to Pensacola only to be turned around because the race fell victim to the lockdown.

It would be some time before we raced again and no one was too sure what the new events would look like. God had in place the necessary expertise, Chaplain Todd Heft, to go virtual. Many of our chaplains sat down and recorded a message of encouragement to the racing community. Although we were not there in person, we made ourselves available for the needs our community faced.

Isaiah 9:6-7; NLT;  
For a child is born to us,  
a son is given to us.  
The government will rest on his shoulders.  
And he will be called:  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
His government and its peace  
will never end.  
He will rule with fairness and justice from the  
throne of his ancestor David for all eternity.  
The passionate commitment of the Lord of  
Heaven's Armies will make this happen!



When we got back to the track the restrictions that were in place hindered our ability to meet people face to face, but God made sure those who needed a touch or a listening ear found their way to us. His protection kept us safe. I am so thankful for all our Chaplains who didn't allow the concern for their safety prevent them from ministering. As soon as the racers returned our chaplains were alongside supporting and encouraging them.

As God continues to add to our number, we are encouraged the work is not done. We are looking forward to the next 40 years and invite you to come along for the journey. May this Christmas bring you the Hope, Joy, Peace and Love only Christ can offer.

In His Service, Rev. Don and the entire RWJM Family