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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We have all heard the phrase "save the best for last", and that seems exactly applicable to this time of year with Christmas being the focal point. It really is the best season of all.

As Christians we all strive to remember that Christ is the reason for the season, and for our new brothers and sisters in Christ from the Muslim world I am certain they are saying thank you for giving Christmas a new meaning for them, because of the Bibles you provided...their BEST gift ever received. And the same is true of the many school children that received Bibles and study materials this years. Truly, the Bible is a most wonderful gift to anyone that has been denied God's story of redemption in their lifetime. So from all of them (and all of us at EEM) we say "thank you" for making this Christmas much more meaningful through the gift of God's Word.

I am especially reminded of one Middle East convert that said that "for the first time in my life I learned that God is love". Yes, God is love and the best way to know that absolutely is to be able to read and study the Bible in your own language. I wish you could see the eyes and smiles of the children and adults of Eastern Europe as they receive God's Word because of your generous support of EEM's mission. Their joy in receiving is a most precious gift in return. Their extreme expressions of thanksgiving will melt your heart.

Please know from all of us at Eastern European Mission, we wish you and your family a most joyous and safe Christmas holiday. And we again thank you for your ongoing support as we look to 2017 for more opportunities to reach the lost with God's Word.

Merry Christmas!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Riehn".

Richard Riehn  
Regional Development Officer

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