

Christmas Creed from Latin America

I BELIEVE IN Jesus Christ and in the power of the gospel, which began in Bethlehem.

I BELIEVE IN the one whose spirit glorified a small village, of whose coming the shepherds saw the sign, and for whom there was not room at the inn.

I BELIEVE IN the one whose life changed the course of history, for whom the kings of the earth had no power, and who was not understood by the proud.

I BELIEVE IN the one to whom the poor, the oppressed, the discouraged, the afflicted, the sick, the blind, the leprous gave welcome and accepted as Lord and Savior.

I BELIEVE IN the one who with love changed the hearts of the proud and with his life showed that it is more important to serve than to be served, and that the greatest glory is giving your life for others.

I BELIEVE IN peace, which is not the absence of war, but justice among all people and nations and love among all.

I BELIEVE IN reconciliation, forgiveness, and the transforming power of the gospel.

I BELIEVE THAT Christmas is strength and power, and that this world can change if with humility and with faith we kneel before the manger.

I BELIEVE THAT I must be the first one to do so.