

Joy to the World

As on that Holy Night of blessed memory, may the message of Christmas enter the hearts of mankind. May peace and good will be with you and yours.



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Season's GREETINGS

Best wishes of the season to all our friends. In the spirit of this holiday time, we wish you a heart full of good cheer, a home full of friends and loved ones, and a life filled with happiness. May all the joys of the Yuletide be lastingly yours, to brighten and enrich every day.

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Just Thinking

What's in a Name?

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For our Christmas meditation I would like to use several verses from Matthew's Gospel. From Matthew 1:18-21 we take the following verses:

"Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins."

It is almost incredible that the life of one man could be so important, yet the passage just read tells of the birth of One about Whom all human history revolves. His was a birth so important that it was foretold centuries before it occurred. An archangel, announced His birth to Mary, and a heavenly choir heralded His coming. So important was the occasion that His Almighty Father hung a new and brighter star in the canopy of space, and from afar kings came to the brightness of His rising.

Old Testament saints looked forward to His coming with anxious longing, and Christians the world over look back to it with wonder and adoration. Yea, so great was the event of this Man's birth that the course of human history was divided into BC and AD by this humblest of nivities.

Not only His birth was unusual, but His name also was given before His birth. The Bard of Avon speaks questionably when he writes: "What's in a name? That which we call a rose / By any other name would smell so sweet." Shakespeare might be right that for ordinary people the name makes no difference, but this was no ordinary man.

What's in a name? Maybe we'll never understand everything that was in this name; but His name meant Saviour, for He shall save His people from their sins. This was a name given by no human being, but spoken by an angel from the throne of God on high. This was a name that was to be full of meaning, containing the promise of God that by the power of this name men would be freed from the evil of their own natures. At the sound of this name demons have bowed in fear and the gates of Hell have trembled.

Brave men have sung their praises to this name even while flames enwrapped their bodies, and saintly mothers have closed their eyes in death with this name upon their lips.

For two thousand years this name has been a healing ointment to the wounded soul; it has been the symbol of Love to a suffering humanity; and it has been the oil in the lamp of Hope, for it is the only hope of those who sing of peace on earth and good will toward men. It has been the only hope of those who have sought to triumph over sin and self, and it remains the hope of those who trust in the righteousness of a compassionate God.

What's in a name? And His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Yea, His name shall be called Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins.

Little did Mary know the meaning of His name! She was like many another mother who has named her son Moses or Napoleon, Solomon or Nero, George Handel or Karl Marx, John Wesley or Jesse James, and then has wondered what significance that name would have for future generations.

Mary was like the devout wife of the poor rector at Somersby who never dreamed that the Alfred Tennyson in her arms would someday be the great poet laureate of England, or like Nancy Hanks, who, holding her infant in her arms, looked into the darkness of

a frontier wilderness and thought that it held no opportunity or chance for her poor Abe. Mary, with the searching eyes of a mother looking into the infant's eyes, must have wondered what chance an unfriendly world offered to a poor child born to a family from Nazareth.

The most incomprehensible mystery of all ages is that Mary, without knowing it, held in her arms the incarnate God at whose name every knee in Heaven and earth should bow and every tongue confess that this lowly child of Nazareth is the Lord of all creation.

Well may we ask, "What's in a name?"

In keeping with our theme, I have enclosed two poems of my own composition.

O Lord, While Nations Study War
O Lord, while nations study war
And armies march the earth,
Renew Thy people's ancient hope—
The promised Saviour's birth.

Make ev'ry heart a Bethlehem
And ev'ry home an inn
Where may be born the Prince of Peace
Whose love o'er war shall win.

His rule is truth; His law is love,
The increase thereof peace.
How bless'd! His righteous government
Shall ne'er be made to cease.

His birth recalled inspires our hearts
To deeds of charity;
So may each day through all the year
Be Thy nativity.

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Because Christ Jesus Came
The heavens smiled o'er hills
And lit their brightest star.
The Wise Men knew a king was born
And traveled from afar.

A choir of angels praised His name,
Foretold the reign of peace;
And shepherds heard about His fame,
His government's increase.

Yea, even now because He came,
Some speak of brotherhood;
We challenge life with nobler aim
"And work for all men's good."

We cannot make the star now shine;
We need not go afar,
For we can know His love divine
Toward all men . . . where we are!

Why Not Let Him Bite?
Marion, Ill. (AP)—McKinley McCuan paid more attention to swatting a wasp than driving his car and was fined by Justice of the Peace Elmer Farmer when he ran his car into another car. He wasn't stung. Or was he?

Children Attend Party



Christmas is a time for parties and fun. Here Kay Lewis, Faye Garner, Ethel Wetherington, Linda Tilghman, Linda Dunnavant, Pat Lilly and Rachael Rhue are at the home of Mrs. G. T. Spivey, Beaufort, enjoying their class party.

Christmas music, games, decorating the Christmas tree, and making popcorn trees were enjoyed during the evening. Gingerale, ice cream and cookies were served.

Boy Pulls Alarm After Visiting Fire Station

Lexington, N. C. (AP)—Second graders from Dunbar Elementary School visited the Lexington Fire Department in the morning hours.

A fireman directed the tour. He showed them the trucks and the apparatus, explaining how it all worked. And he showed them how to turn in a fire alarm.

And, of course, a fire alarm came in at 3:25 p.m., after school was out. Twenty firemen and 11 volunteers rushed to the alarm box. There was no smoke, no fire anywhere.

The usual false alarm investigation was made and the unhappy culprit was found.

He, of course, was one of the 7-year-olds who had watched so interestedly the demonstration that morning.

David W. Freshwater, Carteret Supply, Retires

David W. Freshwater, Morehead City, has sold his interest in Carteret Supply Co. to George A. Pennell, Morehead City.

Mr. Freshwater is retiring because his doctor has told him he should do no more work. He's hoping now "to get in a little fishing."

Mr. Freshwater, a native of Hubert in Onslow County, bought the business from W. J. Hales in 1942 after working with Mr. Hales for 25 years. Mr. Pennell has been with the firm for 16 years.

Males have a higher death rate than females through all ages of life, the disparity being largely due to male susceptibility to accidents and heart ailments.



May your holiday season be filled with merry days and may joy and good will fill your heart.

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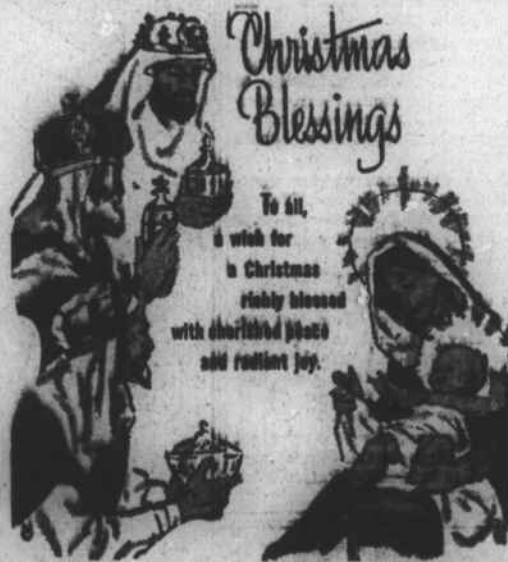
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At Christmas

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