

**THE WORD OF GOD BRINGS GLAD TIDINGS**

"And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ The Lord." Luke 2:10,11

Can you imagine the great joy and comfort that those lonely shepherds experienced at night in the fields as they were watching over their flocks. They were first afraid when the angel of the Lord appeared and the glory of the Lord shone about them. They were greatly comforted by the words of the angel announcing to them the birth of Christ the Lord and hastened to go and see the baby Jesus.

This was such a miracle to the shepherds, and later the wise men, as it still is to us, that the Word of God was made flesh in the person of Jesus, born of a virgin as was prophesied in scripture. He then dwelt among the people for many years and ministered unto them as He still is with us today in the spirit. In John1:14 we read, "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth."

What great things Jesus accomplished while He was here on earth, the miracles of healing and the saving of souls, as He does even yet today. While we celebrate His birth with great joy, we also celebrate His death and His glorious resurrection for our eternal salvation. We know that only by and through Him, we can be born again and be saved unto eternal life. His Word calls us to repent and receive the forgiveness of our sins in Jesus' name and blood. We are then made clean spiritually by His

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Word. As Jesus proclaims "Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you."John15:2  
May we be joyful this Christmas season that our Saviour came and be thankful for His birth into our own hearts. He is forever faithful unto us. We pray that we can be faithful unto Him.

In Jesus Name,  
Al Wuori

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**Worship Schedule**

Dec 1	Ken Storm	11:00	Holy Communion
Dec 8	Jim Johnson	11:00	
Dec 15	Ken Storm	11:00 4pm	Christmas Program
Dec 22	Nathan Ruonavaara/Mark Sunnaborg	11:00	
Dec 24	Ken Storm	7pm	Caroling begins at 6:30pm
Dec. 29	Chad Kuivanen	11:00	No Sunday school

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