

Christian Apostolic Church

Weekly Bulletin for Sunday, December 24, 2006

Last Sunday Morning...

CAC's special Christmas program was held. The children were all dressed in wonderful costumes. They were excited as they sang and portrayed the birth of Christ. God bless our little children! There were also various songs about the Christ child sang by adults. The program was awesome! Following the program, Pastor Joseph preached about Christmas. He read from Matthew 2:1-5, which tells about wizards (wizards, or wise men) who saw the star and came to worship Jesus. Prophets of old had foretold the star. In Numbers 24:17, Balaam prophesied "there shall come a Star out of Jacob." Why did the magi come only from far away in the east to see the Christ? Were there no wise men in Jerusalem? All the scholars in Jerusalem missed the birth of Christ because they were not watching for it. Likewise, many modern people will miss the Lord's second coming because of failure to pay attention. Let us **pay attention** to the signs of the times. He's coming again. **Watch for Him!**

Last Sunday Night...

Pastor Joseph preached a Christmas sermon about "The Living Word", using John 1:1, 14. "Logos" (which in English is translated "word") was used in the Greek to mean *thought, spoken word, written word, or action*. Before a word is spoken or written, it must first be thought in the mind. For an example: Logos could refer to (a) the plan or idea of a play in the mind of the playwright, (b) the script of a play, and (c) the play as enacted upon the stage. — The Incarnation (God manifested in flesh) is the revelation of the Word of God. Originally, the Word was God's mind, God's undisclosed identity, God's unrevealed plan, indeed God Himself. Then the Word was spoken and written prophetically. Finally, the Word was enacted as Jesus, the living Word, God uttering Himself, God revealing Himself. For an analogy, think of three ways to teach: (1) Instruction, such as explaining to a student how to write the letter "A." (2) Demonstration, such as writing the letter for the student. (3) Participation, such as helping the student write the letter by guiding his or her hand. — Thus we can understand that, as our Father, God first told us how to live by giving the law. Then, by coming in flesh as the Son, God showed us how to live. Now, He enables us to live victoriously through the power of His indwelling Spirit.

Last Wednesday Night...

Pastor Joseph used Luke 2:14 as his text: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." The title of his message was "Prince of Peace." Jesus was born so that we can have peace. Even in the society in which we live, one can have a life filled with peace. Even though there may be turmoil on every side of us, one can have the wonderful peace of God dwelling within. Isaiah prophesied in Isaiah 9:6 that His name shall be called "The Prince of Peace." If you trust God you will have peace. People look for peace in the wrong places, such as in money or material possessions. There is no worldly pastime that can give us peace. Only Jesus gives inner peace. Jesus told us in John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you." Man cannot fathom the peace of God. Paul wrote in Galatians 4:7 "And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

<i>Natural Birthdays</i>	<i>Spiritual Birthdays</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pastor Doug Joseph (12/24)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bro. John Todd (11/5/1999)• Sis. Elizabeth Todd (12/13/2006)
<i>Wedding/Anniversaries</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None to be listed at this time.	

Note: Please be sure that Sis. Renée Bargo knows each of the following:

- Your natural birth date: _____
 - Your wedding anniversary: _____
 - Your spiritual* birth date: _____
(*Date of completion of your new birth of water baptism *and* Spirit baptism).
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Announcements

- Remember there will be **no service tonight**, Sun., Dec 24, 2006.
- CAC **will** have both services on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, but the evening service will be somewhat abbreviated. Everyone that is in town can be in church with time to get home to family celebrations.
- We are occasionally selling freshly-popped popcorn for \$1 per bag to raise funds for the Missions account. Please help us raise Missions money, and enjoy the popcorn!

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Please continue to pray for young **Jonas "Cubby" Carter** (grandson of Bro David and Sis Diana Todd). In a certain area of his chest, the skin grafts were not doing so well, and so they took him in Thursday morning for another skin graft process (a much smaller procedure than the first batch immediately after the burn). This means he was taken from the place for therapy back to the burn center at the hospital. He will be in the hospital for some amount of days, and then be released back to some place of therapy. His mother, Kayla, and the family, are hoping they can get him transferred to some place in Morgantown for the therapy. That would be better for everyone to get him closer to home. Kayla has been spending much time there with Cubby. She says to tell everyone a big **THANK YOU** for the monetary gift of support given her from the church. Pastor Joseph took this photo while there with them Thursday:



Today's Featured Bible Verse:

“And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn” (Luke 2:7 KJV).

Did we miss something? Please let Sis Rhonda DeMoss know: news@clarksburgcac.com

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Christian Apostolic Church Community of the Redeemed



Upper Left: Bro Rusty Sandy is among the invaluable Media Ministry Staff.

Upper Right: Praise from Sis Tracy Sandy, Sis Joseph, and Bro Godwin.

Above: Pastor Joseph presents New Birth certificates to Sis Liz Todd, Sis Adena Joseph, and Bro JT Sandy.

Submit your CAC-in-action photos to paster@clarksburgcac.com