

CHRISTMAS SERVICE



Mark your calendars—THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22
7:00 PM is our Christmas Service. Join us for an amazing
evening of worship and a fresh look at the Christmas Story.

★ THE CHRISTMAS PLEDGE

1. To remember those people who truly need my gifts.
2. To express my love for family and friends in more direct ways than presents.
3. To rededicate myself to the spiritual growth of my family.
4. To examine my holiday activities in light of the true meaning of Christmas.
5. To initiate on act of peacemaking within my circle of family and friends.

From Unplug the Christmas Machine | by Jo Robinson and Jean Coppie

CHRISTMAS

at Jubilee Christian Centre
December 22 @ 7:00 PM

A fresh look at the Christmas story!



Dec 04 » HOPE
Dec 11 » PEACE
Dec 18 » JOY
Dec 22 » CHRISTMAS
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Prayer REQUESTS

▶ SALVATION

- Walter Miner III Gearen Family Tom M. Stein Family
- Ryan K. Tyler M. Mandy W.

▶ HEALTH ISSUES

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“The birth of Jesus Christ was accompanied by declarations of blessing over you and me.” —Robert Morris

METRICS THAT MATTER (11/27/22)

ATTENDANCE ▶ 24 GIVING ▶ \$690 GUESTS ▶ 0
VOLUNTEERS ▶ 15 DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ▶ 0



*When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home. **John 19:26-27 ESV***

*Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces perseverance, and perseverance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. **Romans 5:1-5 NKJV***



How you choose matters...



PERSONALITY
(likeability)



CHARACTER
(uprightness)

Your belief system also matters...

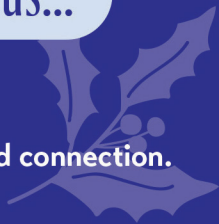


because it shapes your character.



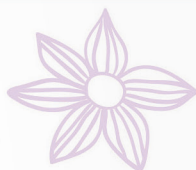
Our culture tells us...

- We have a belief system that tells us that perseverance is the "award".
- Perseverance is where we build community and connection.
- Perseverance is supposed to be a PHASE.





Mary and the first Christmas *God introduced a belief system.*



Luke 1:28-33 -The Angel Gabriel brings a message
-Mary is highly favored
-She is to conceive a child—Jesus
-This was the “HOPE” of Israel
-She “wrestled” with this experience



Luke 1:45 -She believed the word of the Lord

Luke 1:38 -She yielded: “Let it be to me according to your word”

Luke 1:30 -She was told “do not be afraid”

Luke 2:32-35 -Simeon blessed the child
-Prophesied about the sword that would pierce Mary’s soul.



John 19:25-27



How do you respond when your hope is slipping away?

- Her son was slipping away.
- This was not the thing she had hoped for.
- Jesus helped her to look away.
- Mary thought her hope was dying.
- Her hope was being transformed.
- She had to look away and let God have his way



*Some of you have thought your dream was dying—
It’s possible your hope is not dead—it is being transformed!*