

## 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 spirit of Christmas. |
5. To initiate one act of peacemaking within my family and friends.

*Merry  
Christmas*

Merry Christmas to each one of you at JCC. Each family will receive a gift bag as a token of our love.

*Bob & Phylis*

**RESET**  **2018**  
POSITIONING *for* GROWTH

Plan to take part in Reset—it's a plan to help us grow spiritually.

**WAYMAKER**

God is our Waymaker for 2018. Be here next Sunday for this important stand-alone message!

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

A 5-SESSION  
DVD BIBLE STUDY

**anxious** *for* **NOTHING** | BY MAX LUCADO

*Starts Tuesday, January 9*

# Christmas

FROM MANGER TO MAJESTY

Dec 03 » The Humanity of Jesus

Dec 10 » The Deity of Jesus

Dec 17 » The Virgin Birth

Dec 24 » Jesus: The Savior of the World

## PRAYER REQUESTS ▶ THINKING-OF-YOU PRAYER

Breanna V. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Michelle G. ▶ Spiritual growth	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elizabeth S. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brian H. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Suzie S. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Benjamin G. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noe F. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rick W. ▶ Pinched nerve	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kenny D. ▶ Neurological	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ray H. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Danny L. ▶ Peace Corps	<input type="checkbox"/>	Karen W. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Phyllis L. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cheyenne W. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Misty L. ▶ Headaches	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tommy F. ▶ Healing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jason G. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>		

## ▶ URGENT PRAYER

Barb S. ▶ Cardiac Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Danny R. ▶ ALS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Toni R. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gerry G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Peggy K. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ruth H. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emma G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Terry P. ▶ Cancer/spleen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sam H. ▶ Cardiac Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bob Z. ▶ Lung Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Judi G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Paul B. ▶ Surgeries	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gearen Family ▶ Drawn closer to God	<input type="checkbox"/>	Laura S. ▶ Post-Operation Recovery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stein Family ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jean G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*“The gifts of time and love are surely the basic ingredients of a truly Merry Christmas.” —Peg Bracken*

## METRICS THAT MATTER (12/17/17)

ATTENDANCE ▶ 33    GIVING ▶ \$735    GUESTS ▶ 0  
VOLUNTEERS ▶ 15    DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ▶ 0

# Christmas

FROM MANGER TO MAJESTY

## JESUS, SAVIOR OF = THE WORLD =

A savior is one who rescues us, the hero as it were, from some potentially terrible plight. So something bad is going to happen, so the savior the hero, rescuer is the one who comes, comes in rather and, and saves us from the potential terrible plight.



## JESUS IS SAVIOR



OLD TESTAMENT

I, even I, am the LORD, and apart from me there is no savior. *Isaiah 43:11*

Declare what is to be, present it—let them take counsel together.

Who foretold this long ago, who declared it from the distant past?

Was it not I, the LORD? And there is no God apart from me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none but me. *Isaiah 45:21*

I will make your oppressors eat their own flesh, they will be drunk on their own blood, as with wine. Then all mankind will know that I, the LORD, am your Savior, your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob." *Isaiah 49:26*

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## JESUS IS SAVIOR



NEW TESTAMENT

She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins. *Matthew 1:21*



Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. *Luke 2:11*



<sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying: <sup>29</sup> "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace.

<sup>30</sup> For my eyes have seen your salvation, *Luke 2:28-30*

# jesus

IS THE ONLY ONE WHO  
CAN CHANGE YOUR  
**SADNESS**  
**INTO JOY,**

YOUR **WEAKNESS** INTO **STRENGTH,**  
& YOUR **FEAR** INTO **FAITH.**



## JESUS IS A GLOBAL SAVIOR

of people. And he is a global, multiethnic, multinational, multiracial God.

Jesus is the Savior not of a select minority group of people.

But Jesus came to save a multitude

They all ate and were satisfied, *Mark 6:39-42*

» He is savior of the Jews. // *Acts 5:30-31*

» He is savior of the Samaritans. // *Acts 8:12-16*

» He is savior of the proselytes. // *Acts 8:27*

» He is savior of the Gentiles. // *Acts 10:43-48*



God is a gracious god that saves us and in Jesus the wrath of God is diverted and the love of God is given because Jesus lived the life we couldn't live. Jesus lived then died the death we should have died.

And Jesus rose for the salvation that is pure grace.

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## THAT'S THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS.

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# A Mixed Bag (of goodies!)

This Christmas season  
**S-L-O-O-O-W DOWN**  
& enjoy some of the goodies:

Coffee, Tea  
Hot Chocolate  
& Jelly

May you and your family be  
overwhelmed by God's goodness  
this Christmas.

———— Bob & Phylis Huerta ————

# RESET



# 2018

POSITIONING *for* GROWTH

**RESET** is a strategic plan to help each one of us grow spiritually through systematic Bible reading and fasting.

The 2018 **5-DAY BIBLE READING PROGRAM** allows you to read the entire Bible (*or the New Testament*) in one year while only reading five times a week.

**YOU HAVE  
A CHOICE.**

This is designed to help you catch up on the weekend if you have missed a reading or two.

*Reading schedules are available from Emma that fully explain the program and that chart the course.*

The fasting dates are scheduled from

**JANUARY 8 THROUGH JANUARY 20.**

*Please sign up with Emma if you are available to fast.*

Look for God to do *New Things* in 2018!