

DECEMBER 2009

Merry Christmas



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IMPACT YOUTH MINISTRY

The Reason for the Season

"Jesus replied: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself."

Matthew 22:37-39

Wow! I am just so amazed at the love God has shown to me. God has given me a wonderful place to serve, a beautiful wife, a great and loving daughter, an amazing church family and an astounding gift, his Son. Over the past month we have talked on Wednesday nights about Christ and a few of the miracles that he performed and now we are celebrating the greatest miracle of all. As we embark on this Christmas season, there are so

many different reasons why people celebrate this time of year. For some people this is just another holiday with no significance attached. For others, it is about receiving and not giving, thus the importance is put on self. Why do you celebrate Christmas?

There are a number of reasons why I celebrate Christmas, but the most important is the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. Over the past few years I have seen our world try to take the Christ out of Christmas. Just a couple of years ago, many department chains were greeting shoppers with Happy Holidays instead of Merry Christmas. Without Christ there would be no Christmas, there would be no hope and ultimately people would all

end in ruin (Rm 6:23).

We need to remember the reason for the season and that is Christ. Hopefully you will look at this Christmas different than in ones past. My prayer is that you will love the Lord your God with all your heart and love your neighbor as yourself. Could you imagine what would happen this Christmas if you showed this type of love to visitors who come in to the Youth room. You gave them a gift, your time. Maybe you asked them to come and sit with your group, or you went and joined them where they are. Let's get out of our comfort zone and start loving people as God loves us, unconditionally.

Stepping Out- Chris

Up-Coming Impact Events

December 6th

Youth vs Adults
Flag Football Game

CCHS

Freshman Field

2-4pm

December 16th

Youth Christmas
Party at 6 pm.

Meet at the church
in the Youth room

for some great fun
and fellowship.

December 28-29th

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Winter Retreat

Glen Rose, Texas

Cost is \$35 dollars.

Sign up sheet located in youth room

Wednesday Night Line-Up

Tis the Season

December 2nd- Finding Hope

December 9th- Finding Peace

December 16th - Finding Joy

Jesus Rediscovered

December 6th - The Demon Possessed Man

December 13th - Jesus Power over Death and Sickness

December 20th - Jesus Reputation

December 27th - Two Miracles

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