

New Life Church Welcomes Our Guests Today!

New Life Church is a friendly community Where Jesus and His Word are Exalted! It is a real blessing to have you visiting with us today. We love welcoming and connecting with people in our community.

If you and/or your family are first-time guests at New Life Church, please complete the attached Connect Card. Each first-time guest family that completes and submits the Connect Card will receive a Gift Bag from our NLC Family.

Visit the Welcome Table following the worship service to submit your Connect Card and receive your Gift Bag. Members of the Welcome Team will be available to answer any questions you may have about New Life Church.

Our NCC family looks forward to meeting you

and getting to know you!



CONNECT CARD

Welcome to New Life Church! We love welcoming and connecting with people from our community. If you are visiting with us today, please complete the top portion of this card so we can connect with you. If you are a First-Time Guest, following the worship service bring your completed Connect Card to the Welcome Table to receive a Gift Bag for your family. Thank You!

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FAITH PROMISE MISSIONARY UPDATES

Litson, Matt & Sarah - New Brunswick, French Canada

The Litsons begin their update with "In His time the Lord continues to bless the work here in Edmondston." They share about an increase of folks retiring and moving to New Brunswick. Some are English speaking, so are excited to have Christian fellowship at the English service. "We have also been encouraged by the attendance of another young man in our French service. He came looking for a Bible and has been faithful to the Sunday service and been a couple times to the Wednesday prayer meeting. It is so different to meet people who have no clue what prayer is or what Bible study is or even that you can read the Bible for yourself and ask questions about it. This has allowed a couple of the other men in church to really step up their discipleship efforts and see the need to help new Christians and folks who are seeking truth find the answers they are look for. What a blessing to see them start to understand this is not just the "pastor's job. It really is amazing to see God do such a work, not just in the life of the young man searching, but in the hearts of those who are seeing the value of sharing their faith as well." Sarah has been filling OCC shoeboxes again this year and the Litsons are encouraged by the doors it has opened for them in the community. They "are glad that it helps the church to become the 'face' of the organization. Anything we can do to help break the stereotype of greedy, faceless, religion in the area is a win for me. Please pray that the Lord will use this to continue to open doors to the truth of His Word and the value of His Church in our valley."

Serino, Nick & Darianne - Alaskan Arctic

"Greetings from balmy Point Hope where we have had a break in the stormy weather with no winds about 35 mph in the last 2 weeks!" which gave Nick time to get maintenance done on vehicles. The wind chills are now back below zero. Nick asks that we pray for Jennifer Sutton as she is in New York due to some complications in her pregnancy. The missions conference in Barrow went great. The church there was such a sweet blessing. There were over 80 folks in the last service on a Wednesday night. "We sure have much to be thankful for! We had around 30 in church Sunday night with some teens and folks coming who haven't been coming for a while! It was a blessing!" The Serinos ask that we continue to pray with them for a family to take the Wainwright Church as Bro. Henry will soon return to Anchorage. He worked hard to keep things going over the last few years so they want to keep the momentum going. Nick has begun his maintenance program medications. "Please pray the cancer stays at bay till the TRUMPET SOUNDS! It is so good to be home and doing what God has called us to do! To HIM be all the Honor and Glory!" They end their update with "As always, we thank you all so much for your prayers, cards and love shown to me and Darianne! YOU ALL ARE VERY PRECIOUS TO US! WE LOVE YOU GUYS!!!!!"

Parschauer, Bob & Mary Anne - Word Of Life European Representative

"There is no better way to celebrate Thanksgiving then to glory in the fact that we know Christ as our personal Saviour and Lord! In that way we will be thankful and glorify Him for the rest of our lives." Their update reviewed 2024 in ministry. It began with being in Poland from January through March. They were able to be part of the ministry in many churches and youth groups, a home for people with developmental challenges and Operation Christmas Child distribution and winter camp. They returned to Florida, then traveled to Canada where Mary Anne took on the responsibility of training and leading the children's Sunday summer program at Emmanuel Bible Church in Simcoe, as well as facilitating the VBS week. Bob had a full schedule of filling in for pastor of churches in Southern Ontario who were on vacation. The last 2 weeks of July found the Parschauers at Word Of Life in Schroon Lake, NY. Mary Anne shared that on September 28th, she "reached a milestone...80 years of a life so blessed and guided by our Heavenly Father. We celebrated by renting 4 cottages at 'Shalom by the Lake', a highly-recommended Christian-owned resort in Muskoka (northern Ontario). Almost all of my children, grand-children and great-grand-children were able to be there. (27 of us) Just two of the husbands had to work and couldn't come. ... What a blessing to spend precious time with the family God has given me." They end with "We are so thankful and Thank God for all of you who are supporting us and many of these ministries in Europe and Africa."

Hawes, Tim & Leandra - Papua New Guinea

The Hawes begin with "God indeed blessed the GBBC Bible Conference!...He especially used it to call one young man to start Bible Clubs in his home area. ... There is just such joy among the men leading and serving in the Bible Clubs as many young people continue to make professions of faith and teachers give testimony of transformed lives." The \$50,000 matching fund for Bible Clubs in 2025 is up to \$28,189. The goal is to reach 16,000 students per week next year. "God continues to open doors to new schools. A few days ago, Pastor Mike visited a new school to ask if we could teach the Bible there next year. The headmaster stated they had just finished a staff meeting where they prayed for God to send someone to them. What a quick answer to prayer for us and them!" Levi broke his arm and is now in a cast. Leandra has been doing okay and appreciates your continued prayers. Thank you for your fervent prayers for our unspoken request. Their update ends with "Thank you so much to those who sent Christmas gifts to our family. We genuinely feel like the most blessed missionaries ever."

Custodio, Maicon & Leticia - Word Of Life Spain

On Sept 14th the 8th annual Join The Cause was held in the province of Lleida. "To our joy, 35 people took part in this activity, where 4 churches were represented. After the evangelism training, we went out into the streets of Lleida to share our faith and put into practice what we had learned. 30 people heard the Gospel and 5 of them gave their lives to Christ. Of the 35 young people who took part in this activity, 14 dedicated their lives to Christ and accepted the challenge of being bearers of the Good news of the Gospel in their daily lives. Little by little we are making progress in reaching all 50 province of Spain! Praise the Lord for that!" Global Youth Evangelism Day was held on Nov 9th. "Young people and teenagers from all over the world have received training and were taken to the streets to proclaim the Good news of the Gospel to our generation. This year, 110 churches took part and 45,881 young people were trained. In 2023 in Europe, only 2 countries took part in this movement and, to our delight, this year we had 5 countries taking part. Our goal for 2025 is to exceed the goal of 10 countries. Pray and join us in this goal of reaching our generation with the gospel of Christ. We are very excited about the impact this day made on the lives of the young people who have heard the gospel for the first time, and on the lives of the young believers who have been empowered to make the evangelism part of their daily lives. One of the teenagers who went out with Maicon was shaking when we went out into the streets, but at the end of the day he said: 'I can do this every day of my life!' " The Custodios are thankful for: 1) The Lord's faithfulness, provision and health over their family in the year of 2024; 2) The privilege of serving the Lord; 3) Friends and church family who accompany us on this journey of faith; and 4) The recovery of Leticia's arm.

Rizzo, Tony & Becky - Youth Action Ministries

"Our work of reaching youth for Christ is ever present in my mind and heart. ... Our ministry focuses on gospel proliferation in our Safety Zone ministry, which holds Kids, Youth, Street, and Digital Safety Zones. Please keep us in prayer today as we plan and implement our strategic plan of scheduling teams to accompany us as we reach out in Philadelphia and the surround vicinity." The Rizzos are raising support for a project called "Operation Youth Safety Zone." This special fundraising project is to help with the high cost of fund the Safety Zones. They are hoping to raise \$50,000 by this year's end. So far, they have raised \$31,000 and need to raise another \$19,000 to reach their goal. "We know that no everyone can help with this project financially; thank you for praying for us. If you can help us, we would very much appreciate it." Their update ends with "We hope you have a blessed Advent Season of worshipping the Lord this new Christmas season. We love you and thank the Lord for you."

Barnum, Deb - Bangladesh

Deb has had an exciting last few months. She applied for an exit visa and then reapplied for a new visa in a new capacity, but still teaching EFL (English as a Foreign Language). She will continue teaching her classes as usual although they will now be taught at the BLC (Bible Literature Center), instead of in her home. She waited to apply for the exit visa so she could coordinate leaving Bangladesh to allow her to join her family in Florida for a family vacation. Deb is currently staying with her parents while on furlough. They are getting older and Deb is helping them around the house. She has also spent time visiting with her sister and brother-in-law in North Carolina. And she had the opportunity to help with VBS in July. Deb has been saying that someone should write easy-reader stories in Bangla for the children. It turns out that someone is Deb! She has finished 14 little 20-page stories with plans for many more. She asks that we join her in praying for the right person as the illustrator for the books. Over the last decade or so, the majority party in power has been arresting and jailing members of the main opposition party, including a previous Prime Minister. There were university student protests in July that actually led to the "overthrow" of the government in August! There is now a temporary caretaker government that Deb will tell us more about in the future.

<u> Strayer, Hannah - Togo</u>

Hannah begins her update by telling of two streaming platform ads that are annoying her. One is about laziness at work and the other is forgetting a spouse's birthday. Both situations are rectified by using Apple Intelligence to make the characters in the ads look like "I am a genius". You're probably asking why these ads are annoying her and why is she telling us? Hannah answers these questions for us with "These ads annoy me because they reinforce the idea of laziness and forgetfulness being covered up. Rather than being honest about forgetting someone's birthday, you lie and/or give an insincere gift.. Rather than putting in effort at work, you mess around all day and rely on software to make you sound very put together in front of your boss. All of this reminds me of how we need to be authentic in our relationships with Christ. And how we need to be honest and up front with other people too. God asks for diligent efforts and a commitment to excellence. And in relating to other people, we should strive to be honest and not just try to win brownie points for being seemingly perfect." Hannah's praises are: 1) Agbeko's US trip is going well; 2) She is feeling better after her trip to the hospital in Mango; and 3) Her visa is processed! She asks us to pray for: 1) Her current project to come together; 2) Detail planning for 2025 trips, and 3) Her residency card application to be processed quickly and without issue.

Foltz, Joanne - Tanzania (Retired)

Joanne shares how 2024 has been a full year for her. In January & February, Joanne traveled to Florida to visit supporting churches and her former pastor and his wife. In 2023 she had been praying about her future. While in Florida, she became involved in many church activities. She got to know many people and it began to feel like home to her. "God impressed on me that I could retire from Tanzania and be in Winter Haven Florida (temperature and climate so much alike) and be very active in the ministries there." She returned to Tanzania in May, knowing she would be retiring in July. She spent a hard 7 weeks in Tanzania saying goodbye, packing, selling and giving things away. Joanne took possession of the condo she purchased on August 1 "and the rest is history". "God is so good to me! I started helping at visiting ones who were shut-ins from the church, going to see widows and those in rehab. I was able to help in the visitation program and taught a 6-week Bible study on prayer. I have helped some who are having chemo, taking some to doctors' appointments, buying groceries and medicine for widows and many other things. I love it!! My little 2008 Rav4 is a jewel!! God is good!!" Joanne asks that we pray for her health. She wants to stay healthy so she can continue to help others. She ends with "Thank you for your continued support of me in prayer and financially. God has been so good to me and I want to glorify Him in all that I do."

Rardin, Clint & Rhonda - Mexico City

The Rardins share about the grand inauguration of Open Door Baptist Church in Naucalpan. During the inaugural weekend, they averaged 117-135 in the services. Since that time, they have averaged about 70 per week with visitors and souls being saved. With the new church, two routes were lost at their main church, so they have been sowing seeds for a new route in a neighborhood of thousands. They have knocked on doors there twice in the past 20 years with barely any results. Since renewing their contacts in this neighborhood, more people are attending church from this new route and many have been saved. "I was reminded again why we have the inner-city street mission in Tepito. A woman and her grandson have been coming regularly the last few months. Taking her home, I asked about her grandson's mother. She replied that the mother had been killed. I asked what happened and she responded "his dad killed her." Another sober reminder of how little time we have to reach people before they are 'destroyed for lack of knowledge' of the Word of God (Hosea 4:6). Thank you for your prayers and giving that keeps us on the front lines to save as many as we can."

Caputo, John & Kim - Gospel Furthering Fellowship

The Caputos begin with "Thank you so much for your faithful prayers for Kim and me, and for the ministries God has given us. As you well know, you become part of the ministry when you contribute your faithful, and persistent, prayers to the work!" The new high school ministry is bearing good fruit. Kyle has gotten this new ministry off to an excellent start. John & Kyle have been praying and strategizing together since late July and now the ministry a little past 2 months old we have been greatly encouraged to report what God has been doing. Kyle, a former football player at the school, reached out to the football team. There is a committed group of 5 guys who meet right after football practice. "Our focus has been to help these young men understand the gospel clearly, develop skills to effectively study scripture, grow them to become leaders, and prepare them for life after high school with tools to share their faith. Three have fully trusted in the gospel, and the others who are already believers, are growing in their faith. "Kyle asks for prayer concerning the possibility of starting a campus ministry at West Chester University, a school of approximately 18,000 students." Travis & Tiffany are doing a great job in Thailand and are making many good contacts through a variety of ministry efforts. One of the focuses of their ministry is an Institute of Technology near them. Travis has been building relationships with a number of students to begin a gospel outreach in late June of 2025. Please pray for some of these students to help Travis & Tiffany get this ministry going. Six years ago, the Caputo's daughter Charissa and another adoptive mom, Billie, felt led of God to start a ministry that would meet both the physical and spiritual needs of those parents who wished to foster children or adopt. Both of these ladies have extensive personal experience with having adopted a good number of children into their own families. Adoption/Swaption provides everything from diapers to strollers, clothing to emergency meals, along with Bible studies and numerous fellowship opportunities, along with Biblical counselling. Last year over 1200 people were ministered to on a very tiny budget because many of the volunteers gave of their time and money very sacrificially. This year, well over 1200 adoptive people will be ministered to. John had the privilege of assisting a second church with their evangelistic outreach at a local fair. In one week over 200 religious questionnaires were conducted which led to a gospel presentation. There were approximately 12 professions of faith and the distribution of a "whole lot of literature". Please pray for more opportunities to help churches and individuals to learn how to conduct effective evangelistic outreaches. Their update ends with "Again, may the Lord bless you and your families with a wonderful Christmas and New Year!"

Hoagland, Ed & Annita - Mexico City

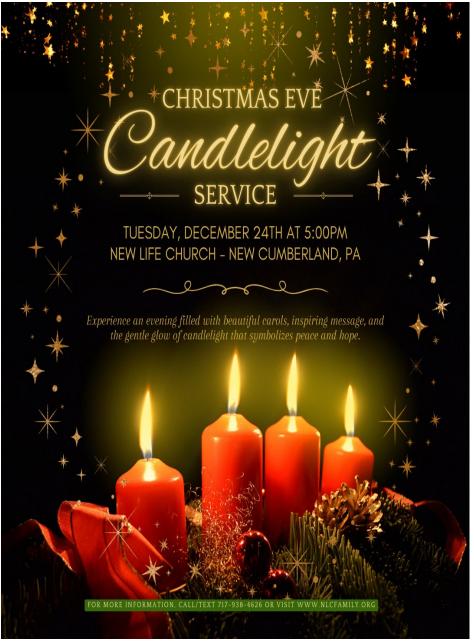
Ed begins with "So thankful for what God continues to do through the work we do for Him. ... I took 13 people with me into the Federal Penitentiary for women in the state of Morelos. These women were very happy that we visited them. In the last few months 19 of them have committed suicide. We shared with them how God can help us control our emotions of anger, sadness, envy and fear. We told them that God also wants to fill our lives with joy, and that that's an immediate and permanent consequence once we're born again. We saw a total of 27 of them during two presentations call on Jesus Christ to be their personal Savior. I'm overjoyed with what God is doing. One of them was the sister of one of the top 5 drug cartel leaders in Mexico." The federal authorities have contacted Ed to again go back to the women's penitentiary in Morelos. Please keep praying for us. On Day 2 of feeding hungry people from Central and South America in Mexico City, 99 plates were served and 15 people called on Jesus Christ to be saved. Our people prayed with them and encouraged them to attend our main church Sunday service and our special Christmas program.

Lorow, Ken & Eileen - ABWE Director of Prefield Ministries

The Lorows share about coaching sessions, a vital step in equipping workers for the harvest. Many of the calls "focused on support raising-helping missionaries develop the practical tools, confidence, and trust in God needed for this crucial part of their journey. ... For some, the path ahead feels clear; for others, it's a season of navigating challenges and uncertainties. Our role is to encourage, equip, and remind them of this truth: God is always faithful to provide, even in the hardest moments. Preparing for ministry isn't just about logistics. It's about shaping hearts and minds for the work ahead. These conversations are filled with prayer, encouragement, and practical strategies to keep their eyes fixed on their calling. Your support and prayers play such an essential role in this process. Thank you for partnering with us to invest in these future workers for the harvest. Together, we're equipping God's people to make a lasting impact for the Lord." The Lorows have set the following goals for 2025: 1) Growing Our Team to Six Coaching Units; 2) Empowering and Caring for Prefield Missionaries; 3) Prefield Funding Progress; 4) Onboarding 90 New Missionaries; and 5) Increasing Ministry Partners. In prayerful dependence on God, Ken & Eileen have set these key goals and invite you to join them in making them a reality. The Lorows had the privilege of stepping away from our usual responsibilities with Prefield to participate in an outreach event at our local church which hosted the 'Get Stuffed' event where we welcomed over 400 people from the community. They served along side their Life Group in the kitchen and had the opportunity to connect with many neighbors. "It was a joy to share this experience with our small group, working together to reflect the love of Christ and shine the light of the Gospel during this Christmas season. They end with "Thank you for your prayers and faithful partnership, which allows us to participate in moments like these and continue reflecting Christ's love to those around us. May we all strive to be His hands and feet as we celebrate the hope and joy of the season."

Riggins, Matt & Vicki - Global Partners In Peace And Development (GPPD)

The Riggins begin with "From our family to yours, Merry Christmas! We are so thankful for you! As we get closer to celebrating the birth of our Savior we're reflecting on the fact that it's now been 10+ years since we joined the Global Partners team." Their update has many highlights from 2024, some of which follow. "Please now we are so thankful for your continued love, support, and prayers. These stories/ updates are a testimony to the goodness of God and His continued work around the world. We hope this will help you understand how vast your partnership with us permeates the world. Praise be to God that we have this incredible privilege of sharing God's love with the world together!" After helping to settle a refugee family in Harrisburg, Vicki felt God leading her to visit the southern border with an organization called "Practice Mercy" to help them understand better the needs at the border. Matt & Vicki are praying about what God will do with this new knowledge and are considering ways they can serve at the border. From Liberty University's engineering program there is news of a new NGO, Engineering in Missions. They will be joining the trip to Guatemala in January for a preliminary water project as GPPD looks to expand more intentionally into that region. In early March, Matt will lead a trip to Uganda. The team is made up of 4 young men (ages 15-19) from the York, PA area and another 4 (ages 19-21) from Liberty University's engineering program. "The trip will include helping to dig a well in a village that the 4 young men from York raised money for! ... Please pray for Matt as he helps to train, mentor, and prepare these eight young men as they seek to step outside their comfort zones and serve in Uganda." At the Harrisburg Marathon in November, 100 runners raised \$75,000. 2025 will be GPPD's 10th year running. They have big goals such as 200 runners, representing 50 churches, and \$100,000 helping to get closer to a \$1,000,000 total. In the 9 previous years, \$735,500 has been raised for water projects around the world! The GPPD team moved to their new building in Virginia. It will be fully opened sometime in the late Spring/Early Summer of 2025. "Although our Rev Home & Rev Café are still in Haiti, we are no longer taking team trips there. Please continue to pray for Amber. We meet regularly to pray and discern opportunities to get them out of Haiti. We have put together a 'task force' that is working on all available and potential options for them. This is weighing heavy on our hearts. Meanwhile, God has opened the door for new partnerships in Guatemala where we will be doing a first-time water project this next year and sending our second team trip in January and third in July. They end with "Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your faithfulness in prayer and support for the ministry of Global Partners, for our family's unique position in bringing help and hope to the world."



Christmas Eve Candlelight Service - 5:00 pm in the Gymnasium

Glo-stick candles will be provided for all children 12 years old and younger.

Nursery will be provided for newborns through 2 years of age in the Fellowship Hall.

This service is an in-person service only.

The service *<u>will not</u>* be live streamed or placed on NLC's website.

Invite cards are available on the Welcome Table.

We are in need of people to serve as Candle Lighters for the service.

If you are able to serve in this capacity, contact Ginger Wallace at gwallace@nlcfamily.org.

Thank You!



Dear New Life Family,

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and the arrival of a new year, many of you in our NLC family seek areas to give a designated year-end gift. Knowing this desire of our people, we would like to encourage you to prayerfully consider a 2024 Year -end Gift toward our mortgage.

Currently, the FLMC (Family Life Ministry Center) mortgage principal balance is approximately \$130,000. We were able to pay down the mortgage around \$40,000 this past year. We would like to have a concentrated effort now through the end of the year toward paying off the mortgage.

This effort for our 2024 year-end giving campaign will give us a strong continuation on paying off the mortgage. This effort began in 2022 and will be conducted through 2025. You are probably asking why through 2025? Well, in December of 2025 our NLC family will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of our church. What a blessing it would be to celebrate this milestone by having our mortgage paid in full so that we are debt free on or before the 50th anniversary celebration.

For your check or cash year-end donation to be valid for 2024 tax purposes, your donation must be received or postmarked by December 31, 2024. Be sure to mark your donation with the designation "Mortgage Payoff" so that your donation is credited to the correct church account. This is not the same account as the Building Fund printed on the offering envelope. These donations go into the "Building Improvements" account. In order to give towards the mortgage with an offering envelope, just choose the "Other" line and write "Mortgage Payoff".

You may also give online. For tax purposes, your online donation must be completed by 11:59 pm on December 31, 2024. Choose the "Mortgage Payoff" option to make your donation by clicking on the link in the main email body or scan the QR Code below.

Should you have any questions about your 2024 year-end giving donation, contact NLC's treasurer Ben Mathew or one of the elders, Jeff Lundeen or Kirk Zuercher.

Because of Him, Pastor Ronnie, Jeff Lundeen, & Kirk Zuercher







God Rest You Merry Gentlemen

Verse 1

God rest you merry gentlemen Let nothing you dismay Remember Christ our Savior Was born on Christmas day To save us all from Satan's pow'r When we were gone astray

Chorus

O tidings of comfort and joy Comfort and joy O tidings of comfort and joy

Verse 2

From God our heavenly Father A blessed angel came And unto certain shepherds Brought tidings of the same How that in Bethlehem was born The Son of God by name

Chorus

O tidings of comfort and joy Comfort and joy O tidings of comfort and joy

Verse 3

Fear not then said the angel Let nothing you affright This day is born a Savior Of a pure virgin bright To free all those who trust in him From Satan's pow'r and might

Chorus

O tidings of comfort and joy Comfort and joy O tidings of comfort and joy

Verse 4

The shepherds at those tidings Rejoiced much in mind And left their flocks a-feeding In tempest storm and wind And went to Bethlehem straightway The Son of God to find

<u>Chorus</u>

O tidings of comfort and joy Comfort and joy O tidings of comfort and joy

Midnight Clear (Love Song)

<u>Verse 1A</u>

It came upon the midnight clear That glorious song of old From angels bending near the earth To touch their harps of gold

Peace on the earth good will to men From heaven's all gracious King The world in solemn stillness lay To hear the angels sing

Verse 2

Still through the cloven skies they come With peaceful wings unfurled And still their heavenly music floats Through all the weary world

And man at war with man hears not The love song which they bring O hush the noise and cease the strife And hear the angels sing

Chorus X2

(Oh) Glory to God in the highest Glory to God evermore Good news great joy for all Melody breaks through the silence Christ the Savior is born Jesus the love song of God (Jesus the love song of God)

<u>Verse 1B</u>

It came upon the midnight clear That glorious song of old From angels bending near the earth To touch their harps of gold

Behold Our God

Verse 1

Who has held the oceans in His hands Who has numbered every grain of sand Kings and nations tremble at His voice All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus

Behold our God seated on His throne Come let us adore Him Behold our King nothing can compare Come let us adore Him

Verse 2

Who has given counsel to the Lord Who can question any of His words Who can teach the One who knows all things

Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

Chorus

Behold our God seated on His throne Come let us adore Him Behold our King nothing can compare Come let us adore Him

Verse 3

Who has felt the nails upon His hands Bearing all the guilt of sinful man God eternal humbled to the grave Jesus Savior risen now to reign

Chorus

Behold our God seated on His throne Come let us adore Him Behold our King nothing can compare Come let us adore Him

Bridge

You will reign forever (Let Your glory fill the earth) (REPEAT)

You will reign forever (Let Your glory fill)

Chorus X2

Behold our God seated on His throne Come let us adore Him Behold our King nothing can compare Come let us adore Him

A Christmas Alleluia

Chorus X2

Alleluia alleluia Christ the Savior of the world He has come Alleluia alleluia To the highest name of all Alleluia

Bridge X2

The heavens roar the angels sing All glory to our God and King O night divine forevermore alleluia

<u>Chorus</u>

Alleluia alleluia Christ the Savior of the world He has come Alleluia alleluia To the highest name of all Alleluia

Ending

You're the highest name of all alleluia

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! December 22, 2024

Four Reasons For The Season

(Four Purposes for Advent)

1. To Reveal God The Father To Us! - John 14:8-9, NKJV

⁸ Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us."

⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?

2. To Remove Sin Within Us! - 1 John 3:4-7, 9, NKJV

⁴ Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. ⁵ And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. ⁶ Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him.

⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous.

⁹ Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.

3. To Destroy The Works Of The Devil Around Us! - 1 John 3:8, NKJV

⁸ He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

4. To Prepare For The Second Advent Ahead Of Us! - Hebrews 9:24-28, NKJV

²⁴ For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, *which are* copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; ²⁵ not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another— ²⁶ He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. ²⁷ And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, ²⁸ so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.