

# COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Christian Home Healthcare's | Monthly Newsletter

# christmas brings a message of hope

written by Bill Backa

The World is an ever-changing place from the days before the Birth of Christ until the present. We try to see the positives in ourselves, our families, our friends, and the world around us. Hope is always needed regarding our own health, wealth, and well-being. And even with a new president, there is conflict in the Middle East, an ongoing pandemic but with the hope of vaccines, and more severe weather in our area and around the world.

Yet the Christmas Message is one of Hope, just as it was over 2,000 years ago as the people of that era looked to a possible messiah. The fruition of a Messiah occurred when an Angelic Choir appeared with the bright lights of Heaven to announce the Birth of Christ to the shepherds of the field, caring for their flocks at night.

The Angelic Host proclaimed, "Glory to God in the Highest and Peace towards Men and Women of Good Will." The Lord left nothing to chance as He announced the birth of his Son. Mary accepted the responsibility of that role along with Joseph and the Lord looked out for their safety through their entrance into Bethlehem, the birth of a Child, their flight into Egypt and their return to Israel from Egypt with Hope.

Yet 2700 years before, there was Isaiah 9:6 "For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be on His shoulder; and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."

And with that a Message of Faith, Hope and Love.





#### **OUR MISSION**

Christian Home Healthcare is a licensed personal care agency dedicated to helping individuals maintain their independence while in the comforts of their home.

#### **OUR MISSION IS THREEFOLD**

We strive to build lasting relationships with those we care for and with our caregivers.

We strive to empower those we care for and our staff members.

We strive to improve the health and well-being of those we care for—and make a positive impact in the communities where we work.

the care you need in the place you call home.

#### consumer corner

#### **YOUR PLAN OF CARE**

Your Plan of Care is an essential part of your everyday life. It provides specific details about the type of care you need, the number of hours you need along with any necessary medical equipment. The Nursing Staff at Christian Home Healthcare values your feedback during their Initial Assessments and 90 Day Visits.

Let the nurses know if anything has changed in terms of your physical, mental or spiritual status and any changes in your medication.

Together our goal is a better quality of life for you!

# refer a friend

Do you have a friend or family member who requires help performing daily living activities like these?

Personal Care, Dressing, Housework, Doctor Appointments, Grocery Shopping, Meal Preparation, or Basic Home Health Needs?

#### **NOT SURE WHO QUALIFIES?**

#### Here is a list of qualifications for services:

- Monthly Income equal to or less than \$2030.00
- Diagnosed with a long-term disability
- At Least 18 Years of Age

If you meet the above requirements, services are Free of Charge!

Please refer anyone who is interested to **Ashlee Phillips** at Christian Home Healthcare 412-323-0203, ext. 6119

# our food pantry partners

# YORK COUNTY FOOD DISTRIBUTION SITES

#### **Emmanuel Church of God in Christ**

717-854-6567

825 East Princess Street York, PA 17403 Every Tuesday 8:30am-11:00am

#### Northeast Neighborhood Assn.

717-845-5641

215 Chestnut Street, York, PA 17403 Every Monday 10:00am-2:00pm Every Wednesday 10:00am-Noon

#### **First Moravian Church**

717-845-4638

41 N. Duke Street, York, PA 17401 2nd and 4th Saturday 10:00am-1:00pm

#### Salvation Army

717-848-2364

30 E. King Street, York, PA 17403 Every Monday-Friday 9:00am-12:00pm Every Monday-Friday 1:00pm-3:00pm

#### St. Paul's Lutheran Church

717-843-8155

25 West Springettsburg Avenue York, PA 17403 Every Tuesday 10:00am-11:30am Emergencies as needed

### The Well/West End Local Link

717-852-7345

408 West Market Street York, PA 17401 Every Monday-Thursday 10:30am-1:00pm

#### St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

717-873-3306

839 W. Market Street York, PA 17404 Every Wednesday and Friday 10:00am-11:30am \*requirements: Call 717-881-2092 on Monday 9:00am-11:00am to receive food.

# Christ Lutheran Church/Spry 717-741-4639

2385 S. Queen Street, York, PA 17402 Every Tuesday 10:30am-11:30am 3:00pm-4:00pm Every Thursday 10:30am-11:30pm

\*\*For more information about York County Food Distribution Sites call 717-846-6435.\*\*

# our food pantry partners (continued)

#### **COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM OF LANCASTER COUNTY FOOD DISTRIBUTION** SITES

#### **Alpha & Omega Community Center** 717-394-3021

708 Wabank Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 1st and 3rd Tuesday 9:00am-10:30am \*requirements: Photo ID

#### **Arca de Salvacion**

#### 717-291-5745

615 N. Marshall Street, Lancaster, PA 17602 Every other Thursday 10:00am-12:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID, Lancaster (17602 and 17603)

#### **Assembly of Christian Churches** 717-295-3975

220 W. King Street, #209 Lancaster, PA 17602 Every other Friday 9:00-11:00 am \*requirements: Photo ID

#### Casa de Benedicion **Lancaster Brethren of Christ**

#### 717-330-5995

1865 Fruitville Pike Lancaster, PA 17601 Every other Friday 5:00pm-7:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID: Lancaster (17601) and East Petersburg (17520)

#### **Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services**

#### 717-208-3711

2420 Gehman Lane, Suite 1000 Lancaster, PA 17602 Every Wednesday 9:00am-4:00pm Every Thursday 1:00pm-7:00pm \*requirements: Conestoga Valley School District; Appt. only

#### **Crispus Attucks**

#### 717-364-6604

407 Howard Avenue, Lancaster, PA 17603 Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday 2:00pm-4:00pm

Seniors/Disabled 4:00pm-6:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID

#### **Ebenezer Baptist Church**

#### 717-509-8413

701 Lime Street, Lancaster, PA 17602 Every other Friday 9:00am-11:00am \*requirements: Photo ID

### **Good News Outreach**

#### 610-273-3394

895 Red Hill Road, Narvon, PA 17555 2nd and 4th Friday 6:00pm-7:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID, Narvon Gap, Intercourse, Gordonville Kinzers, Paradise

### **Hempfield Area Food Pantry**

#### 717-898-2954

85 F. Brandt Boulevard Landisville, PA 17538 Every Monday and Wednesday 10:00am-1:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID, Hempfield School District residents only

#### **His Helping Hands Food Pantry** 717-354-0056

105 Farland Drive New Holland, PA 17557 1st and 3rd Friday 6:00pm-7:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID. New Holland area (17557), ELANCO area

#### **Jean Polite Food Pantry** 717-393-8379

512 E. Strawberry Street Lancaster, PA 17602 Every Wednesday and Thursday 10:00am-12:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID

### **Lancaster County Council of Churches**

#### 717-291-2261

812 N. Queen Street Lancaster, PA 17602 Referrals Mon-Fri 9:00am-11:00am: 2:45pm-3:45pm Walk-in M/W/F 12:30-1:45 \*requirements: Photo ID, Referrals by case workers; Lancaster area

#### Manheim Central Food Pantry

#### 717-665-2331

334 W. Gramby Street Manheim, PA 17545 Every Monday and Thursday 11:00am-1:00pm; 3rd Thursday 6:00pm-7:00 pm \*requirements: Manheim Central School District only

#### **New Holland Food Pantry** 717-354-3776

221 F. Main Street New Holland, PA 17557 Call Monday 9:00am-12:00pm; P/U -Wednesday 3:00pm-6:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID; Elanco School District residents only Referrals: ESSN 717.354.3776

#### Our Mother of Perpetual Help 717-733-6562

300 W. Pine Street, Ephrata, PA 17522 Every Wednesday 5:00pm-6:30pm \*requirements: Referrals: Ephrata CAP 717-733-6562

#### Peter's Porch Food Pantry-Akron 717-859-2100

435 Main Street, Akron, PA 17501 3rd Saturday 8:00am - 10:30am \*requirements: Photo ID; Akron area (17501)

#### **Peter's Porch Food Pantry-Denver** 717-336-2141

357 Walnut Street, Denver, PA 17517 1st Saturday 8:00am -10:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID: Denver area (17517)

#### Peter's Porch Food Pantry-Lititz 717-626-8237

165 E. Front Street, Lititz, PA 17543 2nd Saturday 8:00am-10:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID Lititz area (17543)

# our food pantry partners (continued)

#### **Petra Food Bank**

717-354-5394

548 Ranck Road New Holland, PA 17557 2nd Wednesday (A-L) 3:00pm-8:00pm 2nd Thursday (M-Z) 5:00pm-8:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID; Elanco School District residents and Petra members

#### **Restauracion en Cristo**

717-808-9961

10 Donegal Springs Road Mt. Joy, PA 17522 Every other Sunday 3:00pm to 5:00pm \*requirements: Photo ID; Mt. Joy (17552)

#### Roca de Salvacion, Iglesia Menonita

717-826-6029

637 S. Prince Street Lancaster, PA 17603 Every Thursday 9:00am-11:30am \*requirements: Photo ID

#### **Salvation Army**

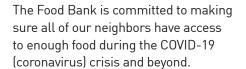
717-397-7565

131 S. Queen Street, Lancaster, PA Every Friday 10:00am-12:00pm 1:00pm-3:00pm

Recipients should call their food pantry first to ensure their food pantry is open for distribution due to the changing conditions of the Pandemic.

# food bank resource guide 2021

responding to the need in our community



Our Produce to People and FoodShare programs cannot operate in accordance with our new drive-up distribution model and have been canceled. Details on new events will be posted on our website and social media channels as they become available.

#### WHAT IS A DRIVE-UP DISTRIBUTION?

These events provide individuals and families with at least 40 pounds of food in one or more pre-packed boxes. Food is loaded in to your trunk or vehicle once you come through the distribution line.

#### WHO QUALIFIES FOR ASSISTANCE?

There is no required proof of eligibility and anyone is eligible for food. Your information will only be used to provide you food and help us improve your service. This information is subject to change.

#### WHAT IF I DON'T HAVE A CAR?

For the safety of those at the event, walk-ups are not permitted at drive-up distributions. If you do not have a vehicle, you may have another individual drive you to pick up food.

Each household must complete a reservation to receive food. The same car and license plate can be used up to three times for the same event. There are no exceptions to one reservation getting one share of food. For one car to get two or three shares of food, the car must have more than one family or household.

#### **HOW DO I MAKE A RESERVATION?**

Find us online at pittsburghfoodbank. org/get-help/drive-up.

Call the Food Bank Call Center at 412-460-3663, ext. 655 for help making a reservation and to learn about other food assistance options like food pantries, Senior Boxes, and SNAP.

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#### **SNAP (FOOD STAMPS)**

Food Stamps can help you buy food.

Call or text us for help applying. Call: 1-833-822-SNAP (7627)
Text: SNAP to 412-435-4446

#### **ALLEGHENY COUNTY SITES**

#### **Duquesne**

# Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank

1 North Linden Street December 6: 12:00pm-1:30pm December 20: 5:00pm-6:30pm

#### Wilkinsburg

#### East End Behavioral Health Hospital

Enter at 225 Penn Avenue December 4: 10:00am-11:30am

#### **Allegheny Valley**

#### Pittsburgh Mills Galleria

590 Pittsburgh Mills Boulevard December 14: 4:30pm–6:00pm

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#### **McKeesport**

#### Founders Hall Middle School

1960 Eden Park Boulevard December 18: 10:00am-11:30am

#### **West End**

#### **Ascension Church**

114 Berry St. December 21: 4:00pm-5:30pm

#### **REGIONAL SITES**

#### **Washington**

#### **Washington County Fairgrounds**

2151 N Main Street December 7: 11:00am-12:30pm

#### **Johnstown**

#### Johnstown Galleria

500 Galleria Drive December 8: 12:00pm-2:00pm

#### **Beaver Falls**

#### **Pathway Church**

279 Braden School Road December 11. 10:30am-12:00pm

#### **Aliquippa**

#### Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church

Enter at 2200 Kennedy Boulevard December 17: 12:00pm-1:30pm

#### Butler

#### Lernerville Speedway

313 N. Pike Road December 21: 11:00am-12:30pm

#### **House Of Bread Outreach Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank**

1111 Wood Street Pittsburgh, PA 15221 412-731-6221

#### **DISTRIBUTION HOURS**

Mondays and Thursdays 5:00pm-6:00pm

#### **SERVICES PROVIDED**

Soup Kitchen

# activities

#### **PHONE BINGO!**

Wednesday, December 15, 2021 11:00am Sharp!

Login by calling 1-646-558-8656

Password: 127285 Participants ID: 438373

Please contact Anitra at 412-323-0203, Ext 6114 with any questions.

#### **MOVIE MONDAY**

#### There is no Movie Monday

in December due to Covid-19, but here are some movie suggestions: "I Care A Lot" (2020), "Fatherhood" (2021), and "El Dorado" (1966) to watch at home until we can together.

Please contact Anitra at 412-323-0203, Ext 6114 with any good movie ideas!

#### **PHONE BIBLE STUDY**

Increase your Faith, Hope, Love, Joy, and Prayer Life with Pastor Emmanuel D. Hughes, Engrafted Word Church.

Please Join Us at Christian Home Healthcare for a Phone Bible Study.

Wednesdays from 12:00pm-1:00pm Login by calling 1-646-558-8656

Password: 127285 Participants ID: 438373



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**freshforall** Free fresh fruits and veggies for those who need them!



#### PHILADELPHIA AND SURROUNDING AREAS

#### Camden, NJ

#### St. John Baptist Church

400 N. 30th Street Camden, NJ 08105 Tuesdays, 9:30am-10:30am

#### Souderton, PA

#### **Grace Bible Baptist Church**

Main Street & Summit Avenue Souderton, PA 18964 Tuesdays, 1:00pm-2:00pm

#### **Burlington**, NJ

#### St. Catherine Church

502 High Street Burlington, NJ 08016 Tuesdays, 1:30pm-2:30pm

#### Glassboro, NJ

#### **Glassboro Park & Recreation** Owens Field

230 Wilmer Street Glassboro, NJ 08028 Wednesdays, 9:30am-10:30am

#### Sharon Hill. PA

#### **Mount Zion CME Church**

701 Felton Avenue Sharon Hill, PA 19079 Wednesdays, 1:30pm-2:30pm

#### Philadelphia, PA

#### **Salvation Army**

5830 Risina Sun Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19120 Thursdays, 10:30am-11:30am

#### Paulsboro, NJ

#### Paulsboro Moose Lodge

402 Cook Avenue, Paulsboro, NJ 08066 Thursdays, 2:30pm-3:30pm

#### Upper Darby, PA

#### **Christ Lutheran Community Church**

7240 Walnut Street Upper Darby, PA 19082 Fridays, 9:30am-10:30am

#### **Bristol**, PA

#### **Bucks County Community College**

1304 Veteran Highway Bristol, PA 19007 Fridays, 12:00pm-1:00pm

#### Philadelphia, PA

#### **Under 95 Overpass**

Front and Tasker Street Philadelphia, PA 19147 Fridays, 1:30pm-2:30pm

Fresh For All operates every week, rain or shine, except during severe weather. This includes temperatures below 32 degrees, heat advisories or excessive heat warnings.

heavy rain or snow, and thunder and lightning storms.

In case of bad weather, please call 215-220-1920. All area residents are welcomed. Please bring your own bags and boxes.

No ID or verification required. **Participation does NOT affect** government benefits.

Did you know that some of the best caregivers are people who are either a family member or a friend of the person who needs care? Ask about our worker referral bonus program.

Christian Group is available at 412-323-2273 to assist with any of your general needs. We have trained skilled nurses, physical therapists, and occupational therapists on staff to answer any of your general questions. Of course, contact your physician for any specific personal needs. We want the whole you to stay healthy during this stressful time.

# recipe corner | christmas snickerdoodle cookies



Yields: 30 cookies

#### **INGREDIENTS**

2\% cups (370 g/13 oz) all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons cream of tartar

1 teaspoon baking soda

½ teaspoon salt

1 cup (2 sticks/230 g) unsalted butter, softened to room temperature

1½ cup (300 g/10.5 oz) granulated sugar

2 large eggs, at room temperature

1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract

1/4 cup (50 g/1.8 oz) granulated sugar

1 tablespoon ground cinnamon

#### **DIRECTIONS**

In a medium bowl, sift together flour, cream of tartar, baking soda, and salt. Set aside.

In a mixer bowl fitted with the paddle attachment, beat butter and sugar on medium speed for 2-3 minutes, until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Beat in vanilla extract. Add flour mixture and beat on low speed just until combined. Do not over mix.

If the dough is soft at this point, chill in the fridge for 1-2 hours or until firm. This step results in thicker cookies that will spread less while baking.

Preheat oven to 375F/190C. Line 2 pans with parchment paper.

#### Make the cinnamon-sugar mixture:

In a small bowl, toss together sugar and cinnamon.

Shape the dough into balls, 1.5 tablespoons each (use an ice-cream scoop or heaping tablespoon), roll them in the cinnamon-sugar mixture, and place on the cookie sheet. Using your hands or the bottom of a glass, very slightly flatten each cookie, leaving them thick. Bake for about 8-10 minutes, until cookies begin to brown at the edges but the center is still soft. Cookies will appear undone but will continue to bake on the warm baking sheet. Leave cookies to cool on baking sheet for 10 minutes, then gently transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.

Store cookies at room temperature in an airtight container for up to 3 days. Cookies can also be frozen for up to 2 months.

On Behalf Of The Management & Staff At Christian Home Health Care, We Would Like To Extend Our Warmest Wishes For A Happy Holiday Season & Merry Christmas!

#### Isaiah 9:6-7

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government will be upon His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Hanukkah is the Jewish Celebration of lights, faith, and perseverance.

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# holiday corner | the birth of jesus

<sup>1</sup>In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. 2 (This was the first census that took place while [a] Quirinius was governor of Syria.) <sup>3</sup>And everyone went to their own town to register.

<sup>4</sup>So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea. to Bethlehem the town of David. because he belonged to the house and line of David. <sup>5</sup>He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. 6 While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, <sup>7</sup> and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

# luke 2, new international version

<sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. 9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. 11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup>This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup> "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

<sup>15</sup>When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."

<sup>16</sup> So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. 17 When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child. 18 and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. 19 But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.



### **health corner** | just the winter blues? information provided by Christian Group Staff

With the change in seasons from those fall days of colorful leaves to the shorter frigid days of winter, it is quite common to feel "The Winter Blues."

The colder weather and shorter days can be difficult, so can all the holidays without the loved ones that have recently passed as well as just the stress in preparing for them. Winter Blues are not necessarily a diagnosed medical condition, they are something that usually you feel during the same season every year. However, if you feel that it is something that you can not shake

or is getting worse, please contact a medical professional to see if there is something more going on, it is important to maintain both your mental and physical health.

Feel free to contact one of Christian Group's highly trained nurses for general information at 412-323-2273. Please contact your physician for any specific medical needs. More information is located at: https://www.premierhealth. com/fag/what-does-it-mean-to-havethe-winter-bluesChristian Group is available at **412-323-2273** to assist with any of your general needs. We have trained skilled nurses, physical therapists, and occupational therapists on staff to answer any of your general questions. Of course, contact your physician for any specific personal needs. We want the whole you to stay healthy during this stressful time.

**Christian Group would like to wish** everyone a happy and healthy holiday season!

# caregivers corner

## caregivers are not superhuman, they just seem to be!

#### RISING STARS OF THE MONTH

Marie Zablocki and her mother Donna Zablocki provide compassionate care for the same consumer and bring him joy by meeting his specific plan of care needs. They provide excellent care every day!

Elizabeth Jackson is flexible and ready to help when there is a need. Elizabeth is compassionate and provides excellent care every day! In addition, Elizabeth is willing to arrive early when needed to help. Her consumer is very happy with her work.

Maxine Berton is flexible and ready to help when there is a need. Maxine is compassionate and provides excellent care every day!

Debra Schmidt is flexible and ready to help when there is a need. Debra is compassionate and provides excellent care every day!

Ivana Tomasic is hard working and flexible and ready to cover any shifts; days, evenings, and overnights with her special needs consumers. Ivana's consumers appreciate her extra efforts. Ivana is compassionate and provides excellent care every day!

Frances Penn takes the initiative and asks how she can help and is ready to help when there is a need. Frances is compassionate, helped her consumer unpack after moving, and provides excellent care every day!

Mondayja Smith is flexible and ready to help when there is a need. Mondayja is compassionate and provides excellent care every day!

Larond Scott is flexible and ready to help when there is a need. Larond is compassionate and provides excellent care every day!

PLEASE REPORT ALL ER visits and hospitalizations to your staffing manager for documentation. It affects your plan of care and the number of hours your home care worker is working.

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DECEMBER 2021							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WE	DNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	1	Phone Bible Study 12:00pm	2	3	4
5	6 Hanukkah Ends	<b>7</b> Pearl Harbor Day	8	Phone Bible Study 12:00pm Immaculate Conception	9	10	11
12 Our Lady of Guadalupe	13	14	15	Phone Bingo 11:00am Phone Bible Study 12:00pm	16	17	18
19	20	21 Winter Begins	22	Phone Bible Study 12:00pm	23 Immaculate Reception with Franco Harris, 49th Anniversary	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas
26	27	Feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth	29	Phone Bible Study 12:00pm	30	31 New Year's Eve	1



# happy birthday to all the celebrants!

**BIRTHSTONE** | Turquoise FLOWER | Narcissus

#### **BIBLE VERSE**

"Glory to God in the Highest Heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests."

Bible Verse, Luke 2:14

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6 Hanukkah Ends

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8 Feast of Immaculate Conception

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

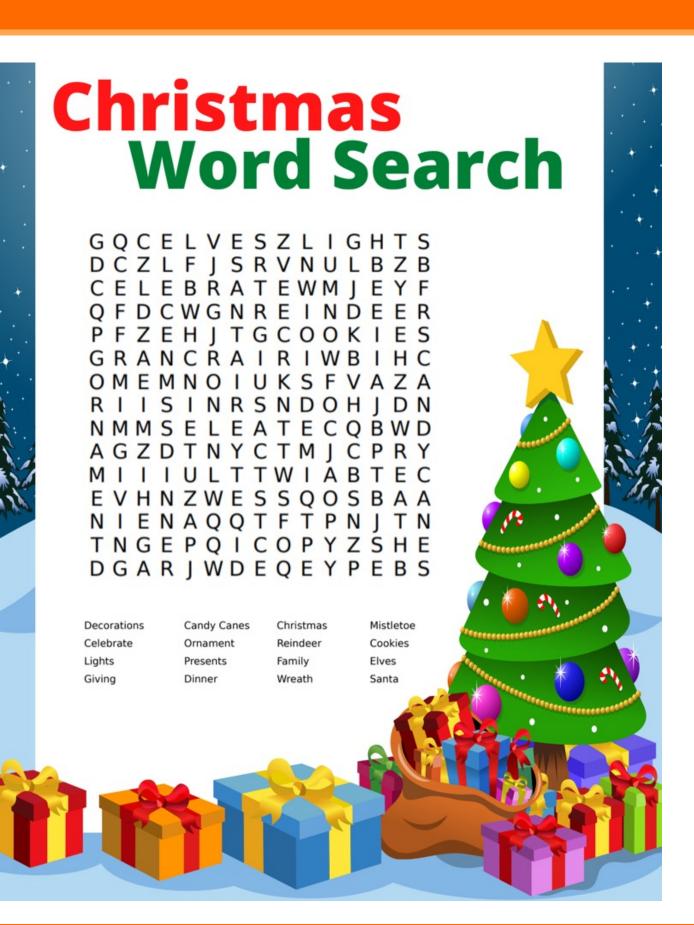
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21 Winter Begins

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23 49th Anniversary of Immaculate Reception (Franco Harris)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24 Christmas Eve

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25 Christmas** 

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31 New Years' Eve



# thank god for his presence + presents

Every year as Christmas arrives and another year comes to a close, it is important to thank God for His Powerful Presence and His presents of good health (or as good as it can be). His presents of wealth (even if we only managed to have a few dollars left over to save), His Presents of Family and Friends (who can bring us such joy and light when the days are shorter and darker), and His presents of Peace that only God alone can give. So, take a moment in prayer and thank God for his Presence and Presents.

"Glory to God in the Highest Heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests."

Bible Verse, Luke 2:14

# happy holidays from all of us!



