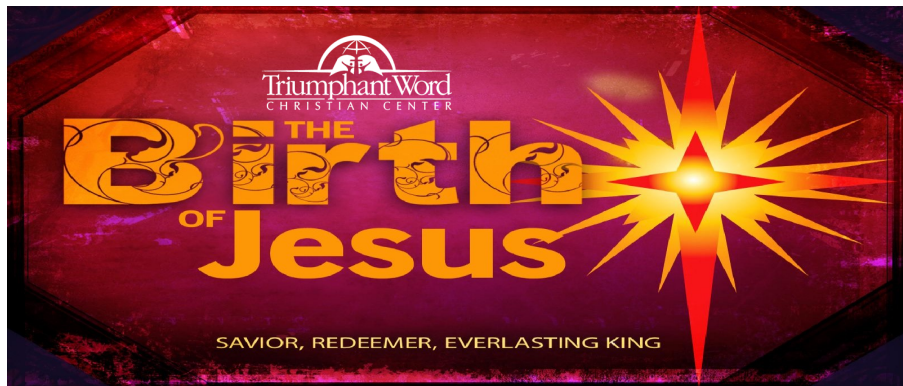


# Church Announcements and Events:



## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK:

- **Wednesday Night - December 26th @ 7pm:** we will conclude our Teaching Series on the **"Name of Jesus"**. Are you using the Name of Jesus in prayer or spiritual combat? Do you know what the Believer has in the Name of Jesus?
- Join us this **Thursday, Morning @ 9:30am for Corporate Prayer**. We will pray our **TWCC Church Petition** for next year 2019. Come and add your faith and your agreement together with us on the behalf of the Church to believe and receive wonderful things from God for 2019. Let's pray together in Jesus' Name!
- Prayerfully consider giving your faith and if your able your extra finances to the **TWCC Christmas List** for the end of the year and beginning of year Church needs. Thank you for your extravagant generosity!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JANUARY 2019:

- ⇒ Starting **Sunday Mornings - January 6th, 2019** - (at **9:15am - 9:45am**): School of Ministry Leadership. These are special training classes and sessions for Ministry of Helps leaders, team members and volunteers. You're invited to join us in communicating, calibrating and connecting about **VISION, PROCESS** and **PEOPLE** to plan and prepare to achieve our ministry goals and objectives in 2019.
- ⇒ **Wednesdays: "SERVING GOD"** - Join and partner with us for a New Year New Series on "Getting a Grip on the Basics of SERVING GOD". We invite Christians of all ages to engage in (1) getting a big picture of Who and Why we SERVE (2) how to tap into God's plan for your life (3) how to find your place in the Body of Christ (4) how to function in the local church and more. Come get your SERVE UP and your SERVE ON to the next level. Come Wednesday Night starting Wednesday, January 2nd, 2019 @ 7:00pm.

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS  
and  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Sunday, December 23rd, 2018

"Welcome To Your Church!"

**SERMON SERIES: "New Born Identity"**  
**SERMON TITLE: "Keeping *IN* Christ at Christmas"**

- In verses, 1 – 3 of this passage we just read, Mary and Joseph has to travel nearly 100-miles south from their hometown of Nazareth in order to comply with the emperor's edict, a census taken for the purposes of taxation and conscription. (Conscription is the practice of ordering people by law to serve in the armed forces)
- Centuries after King David's birth, Bethlehem ("House of Bread") would also be the birthplace of Jesus. **Micah 5:2 (NKJV)** – *"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Though you are little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, From everlasting."*
- Significantly, this is the town where the eternal Son of God became flesh – the Bread of God coming down from Heaven. When Jesus was born in Bethlehem, deity invaded humanity, eternity invaded time, and royalty invaded poverty.
- God chose the least of all cities (Bethlehem) to host the birth of His Son, and He chose the least of society (shepherds) as the first witnesses. Shepherds were considered ceremonially unclean because they invariably had to engage in financial transactions with Gentiles; therefore, they were not allowed to worship in the temple. Neither were they allowed to testify in court, because they were considered unreliable witnesses.
- The angels' message contained three components:
  - (1) a song of \_\_\_\_\_ (glory to God)
  - (2) a song of \_\_\_\_\_ (on earth peace)
  - (3) a song of \_\_\_\_\_ (goodwill toward men)

- During the Christmas season, much is said about \_\_\_\_\_. *"For God so loved the world that He gave..." (John 3:16)* is perhaps the most profound and sublime statement in all the Scripture. Jesus gave \_\_\_\_\_ and completely of Himself, and thank God that He did. We have life today— eternal life and abundant life— because of how He \_\_\_\_\_.
- Giving from the \_\_\_\_\_ motivated by genuine love (not from compulsion, guilt, pressure, manipulation, etc.) energizes both givers and recipients, and expresses the beauty of grace.
  - When Christ was born - \_\_\_\_\_ was given so we might \_\_\_\_\_ in Him!
  - When Christ was born - \_\_\_\_\_ came down that we might be \_\_\_\_\_ in Him!
  - When Jesus came and was born to \_\_\_\_\_ die for us, we take \_\_\_\_\_ that our redemption and salvation was completed in Him!

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**Merry Christmas**