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Special Christmas Blessings 2017

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We wish you all, peace, love, and happiness, mixed with blessings from above, at this most special time of year, the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who came into the world to save us all and teach us his ways of love to all mankind. A little prayer here.

”Father, in the wilderness of the Jordan you sent a messenger to prepare people's hearts for the coming of your Son. Help me to hear his words and repent of my sins, so that I may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, and the life to live for Him, our Lord Jesus Christ.” Amen

Jesus Christ is Born

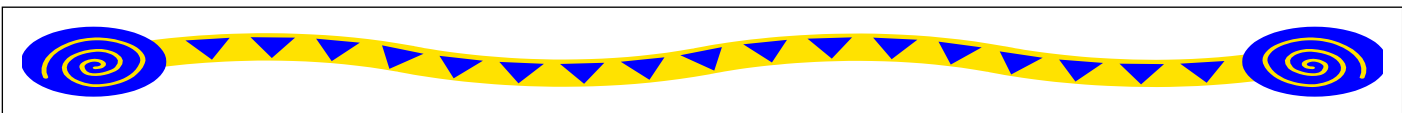


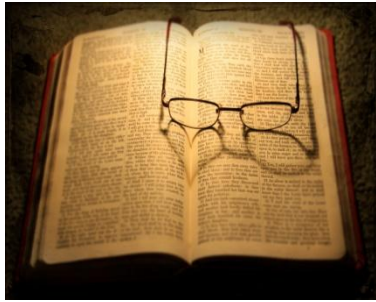
Joy in the Coming of the Lord

The beginning of a Sermon by Rev. David C. Roth

“Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the east and have come to worship Him And when they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy” (Matthew 2:2,10).

How often have we been in the same position as the wise men, or maybe the same situation as the shepherds? We are in a position similar to theirs when we are told of the Lord and the message of His Word. As He did for the wise men and the shepherds, the Lord has made Himself known to each of us in different ways, and now it is up to us to respond. Both the shepherds and the wise men were told in different ways about the coming of the Lord and then given guidance to that special place where the Lord chose to be born. Although both were present to see the newborn Saviour, they received the message of the Lord’s birth in different ways.





Inspirational Thoughts

“And the angel said unto her, Fear not Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus.”

Luke 1:30,31

This of course is true history, and full of wonder. But in relation to ourselves it represents the coming of Jesus to us. We find favour with us when we receive the faith of Jesus into our lives. The angel represents a message from heaven telling us of this. To bring forth a son pictures the birth of the Lord’s truth into our minds. Jesus is the truth. His name is Jesus, because He comes to save us from self-love and its degrading consequences.

Prayer:-

Unto Thee I lift up mine eyes, O Thou that dwellest in the heavens. Amen

ADELAIDE CHURCH MOTTO

“The Law of the Lord is perfect”

This motto was created at the time the New Church began here in Adelaide in 1844. As relevant today as it was then.

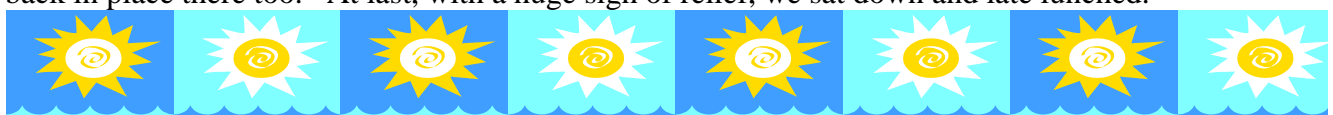
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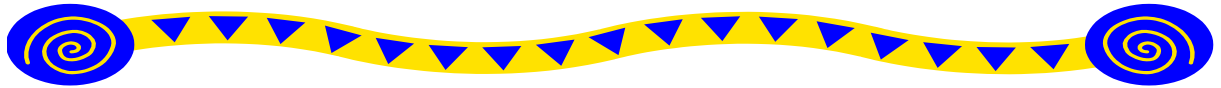


At last we have a new wall rebuilt. New windows had to be made for each side and all that needed to be completed before the new carpet could be laid. The memorial plaque for Jacob Pitman has been put back in place by the builders too. New reverse cycle air-conditioner is fitted and working very well.

A new blind has been ordered for the full length window on the left side and the blind from the previous window on the right has been put back in place. Although it doesn’t quite fit down to the floor, a colour card square is planned for the lower pane. On it will be displayed to the outside view, different themes from time to time, just Blu-tacked on for ease of changing.

There was a working bee of three of us, Heather, Michael, and June, who descended at the Church one day just after the carpet had been installed and the cleaners had finished their very good job of cleaning everything, this was to move back all the chairs from the “storage” area and arrange them in place again. The pews were put back in place at the rear of the Church, just in front of the windows. When the Hall had been emptied of all its storage, it was time to rearrange the furniture back in place there too. At last, with a huge sigh of relief, we sat down and late lunched.





Special Service and Baptism



It was such a delight to have the first church service upon the rebuilding of the Church, and to have Rev. David Moffat here for this opening special service. At the same time, Rev. David Moffat conducted the Baptism of two little ones.

Zoey Grace Holder, 3 yrs, holding her little brother's hand, Jaxon Dwayne Holder, 12 months, ready in the foyer preparing for their Baptism. They were both very good the whole time. Little Zoey chose to sit through the whole service - sweetly arranging her pretty dress over her chair where she was sitting, holding the service sheet on her lap.



This is the Baptism taking place, with each of the babes being held by their parents, Daniel and Tayler Holder.

Daniel James Holder (the Dad), was baptized into the New Church as a babe by Rev. John Teed. At that time it was conducted at their residence.

For those who may remember Roy and Caroline Nicholls in Adelaide Church, 1970's era, Daniel is their Gt. Grandson. That would make Zoey & Jaxon, the Gt. Gt. Grand-children of Roy & Caroline.

Attending the Baptism Service, were grandparents of both families, along with Aunties and Uncles and close friends of the parents. Daniel and Tayler chose to have two of their very close friends, Corey and Emma, who see a lot of the children, to be given the privileged honour of becoming Godparents to Zoey and Jaxon.

After the service, there were refreshments and meal served in the Hall, by members of the Church. This was a welcome to Rev. David Moffat and a social chat time all around, with all the friends and family of the two little ones. At one time, as it was such good weather that day, a short time was spent out on the lawn area, several people and the children taking time out in the fresh air too.

To have the Church back again and the Social hall back in full use, is such a welcome relief for the Adelaide Church. A really memorable day.

Holy Supper was given by Rev. David Moffat, and as Zoey had sat through the whole service, when the invitation came to partake, she chose to join in as well (but we didn't let her partake of the wine - just the bread)



It was just so cute, well she has just been baptized. So glad someone took a photo of this delightful moment.

Service for November 2017

Building Update

Due to the long time it has taken for our Church to be rebuilt, there has been a necessary lull in activities. There is still the inter-joining wall between our premises and the neighbouring premises still to be dealt with. The builder is currently in negotiations with this and the wall should be rebuilt soon. But the usual holiday season, means that tradesmen will not really be available until halfway through January. More news on this next newsletter.

December 2017

10th - December - Carol Service, Christmas shared luncheon

January 2018

28th - January - First Service for 2018, shared luncheon

New Church Camp

The Annual New Church Summer Camp is held in January. For 2018 it is located 200 metres from Alexandra Headlands beach. It is an hour and a half north of Brisbane and half an hour from Sunshine Coast Airport. A really great family occasion for parents and children alike, with activities planned for all. Or go as an individual and join in whenever you choose. Accommodation and all meals covered. Book online at newchurch.net.au/alexandra-park-family-camp-2018

For all enquiries about accommodation and activities, please contact N.C.I.A. direct, or email Kevin Attwater. Please contact June for Kevin's email address, should you wish to email.

Activities 2018

North Metro Study Group: This is currently held on Wednesday evenings at 7.00pm, at one of our member's home, just North of the CBD. Please contact 0417 632 207 for details.

Angel Meditation The attendees to Angel Meditation will be notified by telephone, when the next one is to take place. Disruption to Church building has postponed this for now.

Adelaide Bible Study - and discussion time: - This is held at the Church Hall on most Thursday at the moment from 12.00pm, refreshments and coffee/tea etc. at 12.00 o'clock. Please phone Church 8277 1891

Computer Awareness held on Thursday morning from 10.30am - 12.00pm, should be starting up again in the New Year.

Coffee and Chat time this also happens on Thursday mornings concurrently with other activities.

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