



FROM THE ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN - JUNIOR SCHOOL

How do you celebrate Christmas?

All over the world, billions of people gather to celebrate Christmas in many different ways.

I celebrate by decorating my house, gathering with my family and eating way too much food.

No matter how you celebrate, it is important to remember that Christmas is a momentous event that is indeed worth celebrating.

The birth of Jesus was a big deal. It was announced by angels to shepherds out in the field. What these angels said to these shepherds, helps us understand the significance of Christmas.

***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 **Saviour** has been born to you; he is the **Messiah, the Lord**." (Luke 2:10-11)*

The angels came bearing great news, news that is for all people. Jesus, the Saviour was born. The word 'Messiah', meaning the promised king, is key here. God's people had been waiting for the Messiah for over 1000 years. He is finally here! God sent his one and only son as the Messiah, to save his people from their sin!

So how do you celebrate Christmas? I'm sure that each of us will celebrate in many different ways but no matter how you celebrate it's important to remember that Christmas is worth celebrating as we remember that Jesus, the Messiah, was born to save us all from our sin. What great news!

I pray that you all have a Happy Christmas and a safe holiday.

God bless,

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