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MERRY CHRISTMAS to my Friends!

Society has made December a season of celebrations, magical moments, and dreams miraculously coming true. In its ideal world no one would suffer, be disappointed, or have a broken heart. During this time no one should be sad, hopeless, or grieving. The reality, however, is that seasonal pressure often adds to people's depression, anxiety, loneliness, and heart pain.

The message of the gospel is not magical, but it is transforming. The candles of the Advent Wreath tell the story. The Candle of Hope reminds us to **be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all you who hope in the LORD** (Psalm 31:24).

The Candle of Peace represents fellowship. **It pleased the Father ... to reconcile all things to Himself, ... having made peace through the blood of His cross** (Colossians 1:19-20). **Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ** (Romans 5:1).

The Candle of Joy reminds us that **though the LORD is on high, yet He regards the lowly** (Psalm 138:6a). **Do not sorrow, for the joy of the LORD is your strength** (Nehemiah 8:10b). **Let all those rejoice who put their trust in You; let them ever shout for joy, because You defend them; let those also who love Your name be joyful in You** (Psalm 5:11).

The Candle of Love reminds us **God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life** (John 3:16). The true miracle of Christmas is Christ's incarnation.

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Prayer and Praise

DAILY PRAISES

Candle of Hope

- 1** CELEBRATE the hope that shipments about to leave for Mexico, Nigeria, Niger, Gabon, Ghana, Sierra Leone, and DRC will bring to those nations.

Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel. (Isaiah 7:14)

- 2** CELEBRATE that all supplies needed to produce over 11 million booklets each month are readily available.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (John 1:1)

- 3** CELEBRATE that pressured and persecuted believers in Indonesia, Cameroon, Brunei Darussalam, and Comoros are standing strong and remaining faithful.

God, who ... spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds. (Hebrews 1:1-2)

- 4** CELEBRATE the services our receptionists Coleen and Fay provide for our production plant.

A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel. (Luke 2:32)

- 5** CELEBRATE the skills of Mike A. and Joseph our Information Technology Department.

Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David. (Luke 2:3, 4)

- 6** CELEBRATE that the Finance Department meets ECFA standards in bookkeeping and accounting.

She brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger. (Luke 2:7)

- 7 CELEBRATE** Tamie and Kelby, our Order Entry Specialists, and Dale, Nick, and Gary, our Small Orders Department personnel, who coordinate the mailing and shipping of booklets around the world.

"There is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:11)

Candle of Peace

- 8 CELEBRATE** the uneventful journeys of shipments on their way to DRC, Zambia, S. Sudan, Guatemala (2), Brazil (3), Malawi, Liberia, Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Eswatini, Mauritius, and Finland.

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!" (Luke 2:14)

- 9 CELEBRATE** the organization, scheduling and detail skills Angelee provides as Secretary to the President.

"Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen Your salvation which You have prepared before the face of all peoples." (Luke 2:29-31)

- 10 CELEBRATE** Kristi, Katie, and Nolan who clean our restrooms, break room, and offices. CELEBRATE Lucas who performs janitorial and landscaping chores.

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea ... wise men ... came to Jerusalem, saying, "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." (Matthew 2:1-2)

- 11 CELEBRATE** the life-changing ministry of the 2025 Scripture-Text Datebooks going out to inmates across the USA.

When they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. (Matthew 2:11a)

- 12 CELEBRATE** Roger and Ben P. who maintain our facilities and machinery.

An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him." (Matthew 2:13b)

13 CELEBRATE the ministry of our booklet *A Bible Study on Romans*. Paul's masterful letter reveals God's heart for mankind and the good news of freedom and transformation for all who put their trust in Jesus.

And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him. (Luke 2:40)

14 CELEBRATE the 404 ambassadors enrolled in our Ambassador Network and Joe the Director. (wmpambassador.org)

And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" (Luke 2:49)

Candle of Joy

15 CELEBRATE the joy that the containers full of booklets brought when they arrived safely in Equatorial Guinea, Tanzania, and Costa Rica.

*"Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."
(Luke 2:10b-11)*

16 CELEBRATE our Vice-president of Plant Operations, Jerry, who has oversight of the production staff, in-plant production, and maintenance of the facilities.

Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men. (Luke 2:52)

17 CELEBRATE the individuals who send in checks or donate online. CELEBRATE the businesses, foundations, and churches that contribute financially to WMP.

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29)

18 CELEBRATE the Orders and Distribution Department, for Helen, the Director, and Immanuel, the Freight Shipment Coordinator.

For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted. (Hebrews 2:18)

19 CELEBRATE the increasing production we are able to get out of the King Web Press the backbone of our operation. CELEBRATE the operators Brian B., Nolan Y., Michael S., and Steve W.

*"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live."
(John 11:25b)*

20 CELEBRATE that our booklets are available electronically and can be shared across devices with close friends or with people in other countries.

The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; ... to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed. (Luke 4:18)

21 CELEBRATE the new languages our Language Development team Randy, Beth, Marilyn, Kelby and Ron were able to develop this past year. Official count is now 352.

"I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." (John 10:10b)

Candle of Love

22 CELEBRATE Laurent T. our coordinator in Cameroon. Also the other 84 coordinators who receive our shipping containers and distribute the booklets to evangelists in their country.

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.
(John 3:16)*

23 CELEBRATE our Product Development Team — Andrew, Nate, and Kaitlyn our graphic artists, videographers, and social media contributors.

"This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." (John 15:12)

24 CELEBRATE that the 30 million Ukrainian-speaking people around the world can read of Christ in six booklets produced by WMP.

"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance." (Luke 15:7b)

The Christ Candle

25 MERRY CHRISTMAS!! Thank the Father for sending His only begotten Son into the world to give us life abundant and eternal.

This was the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. (Psalm 118:23)

26 CELEBRATE our Partner Relations

Department: Alison (Director), Sarah, Cathy, Terri, Scarlet, Donna, Keith, and Selicia.

"The water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life." (John 4:14b)

27 CELEBRATE the scheduling and plate making skills of our PrePress Department, which includes Twila (Supervisor), Trent, Beth, and Steve W.

"I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever." (John 6:51a)

28 CELEBRATE our Bindery personnel Zach (Team Leader), Devon, Abby, Katie, Ben, Jeremy, Scott, and Jacob.

"I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture." (John 10:9)

29 CELEBRATE the full color covers the ManRoland press prints for our booklets, and the operators Brian L. and Nathan.

"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:6b)

30 CELEBRATE our Production Manager Eric, overseeing the Team Leaders on the presses and binderies.

"I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." (John 8:12b)

31 CELEBRATE the blessings the Lord has bestowed upon WMP this past year. God has been faithful and given us many benefits.

"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live." (John 11:25b)

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

[All Scripture references come from the pages of the English version of The Amazing Life of Jesus Christ]