Christmas Means Hope, Peace, and Love

The Father knows each of us perfectly—our trials and imperfections, our longings and losses. Because He loves us, He has given us the greatest gift we could ever receive.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

Because the Son likewise loves us, He willingly gave His life for us.

"The Son doeth not anything save it be for the benefit of the world; for he loveth the world, even that he layeth down his own life that he may draw all men unto him," Nephi prophesied of the Savior. "Wherefore, he commandeth none that they shall not partake of his salvation" (2 Nephi 26:24).

"The main reason we celebrate Christmas is because of Easter," President Nelson said. He added, "Because of Jesus Christ, we can repent and be forgiven of our sins. Because of Him, each of us will be resurrected."

We read sacred accounts in the New Testament of the birth of the Savior. This story is at the center of many of our favorite Christmas traditions. As we celebrate His birth, however, let us not forget that without His Resurrection and Atonement, we would not have Christmas.

The Book of Mormon bears witness of the reality of the risen Christ as well as of the richness and depth of the doctrine of Christ. During the Christmas season, those who use the truths about Christ found within its pages will add more meaning to their family's Christmas celebrations.

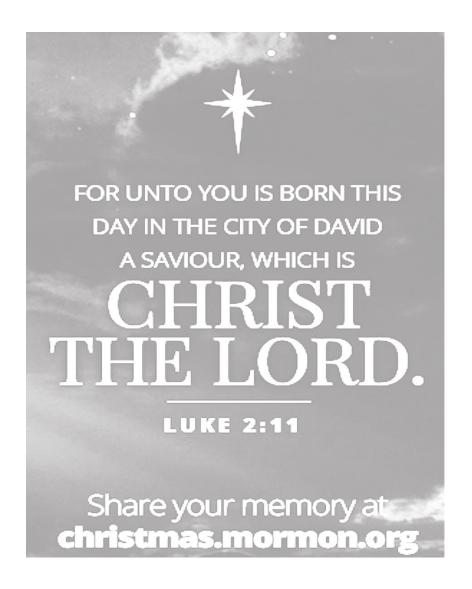
I know that because of the Savior's love and central role in the plan of salvation, we can receive His peace (see John 14:27) and "a more excellent hope" (Ether 12:32)—at Christmastime and always.

By Elder Gary E. Stevenson

Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles

Liahona, December 2023

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Skyline Ward December 17, 2023



Go to the stake website for more announcements:

https://renostakeinfo.org

Stake Singing Fireside, Sunday 17th at 5:30



Family NewYear's Eve Dance Party, Saturday December 30th 7 – 10pm. 1095 Golconda Dr. Featuring the Robin Street Band

Reno Stake *Why I Believe* Fireside, Saturday January 14th at 7:00 pm 1095 Golconda Dr. A night of testimonies centered on Jesus Christ

Skyline Ward Cleaning Assignments, Dec 23rd: Jay Chamberlain & Family Keith Peters, Travis Mar & Family, Travis Clark & Family, Geoff Norby & Family, Thomas Dunbar, Jacob Hansen & Family, Jason Morris & Family

Emotional Resilience Group Meetings for adults and youth starting Sunday, August 20, 3:30-5:00 PM, Golconda Building. Adults will meet in the Golconda Relief Society Room and youth will meet in the Golconda Young Women Room. The Golconda Building is located at 1095 Golconda Way, Reno, NV.

Addiction Recovery Group Meeting – Tuesdays 7:00pm, High Council Rm Family Support Group Meeting-Sundays 7:00pm, High Council Room Questions? Call Jon Hiatt, High Council at 775-772-354

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Russell Stodtmeister, Bishop	775-560-6850
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Welcome and Announcements

Presiding: Bishop Russell Stodtmeister

Conducting: Brother Jeromy Ivie

Organist: Sister Laura Karrasch

Music Director: Brother Jay Chamberlain

Opening Hymn: #214 I Heard the Bells on

Christmas Day

Invocation: T.B.A.

Ward Business: T.B.A.

Sacrament Hymn: #180 Father in Heaven, We

Do Believe

Passing of The Sacrament

Speaker: Brother Keith Peters

Intermediate: #206 Away In a Manger

Speaker: Brother Charles Woodman

Closing Hymn: #204 Silent Night

Benediction: T.B.A.