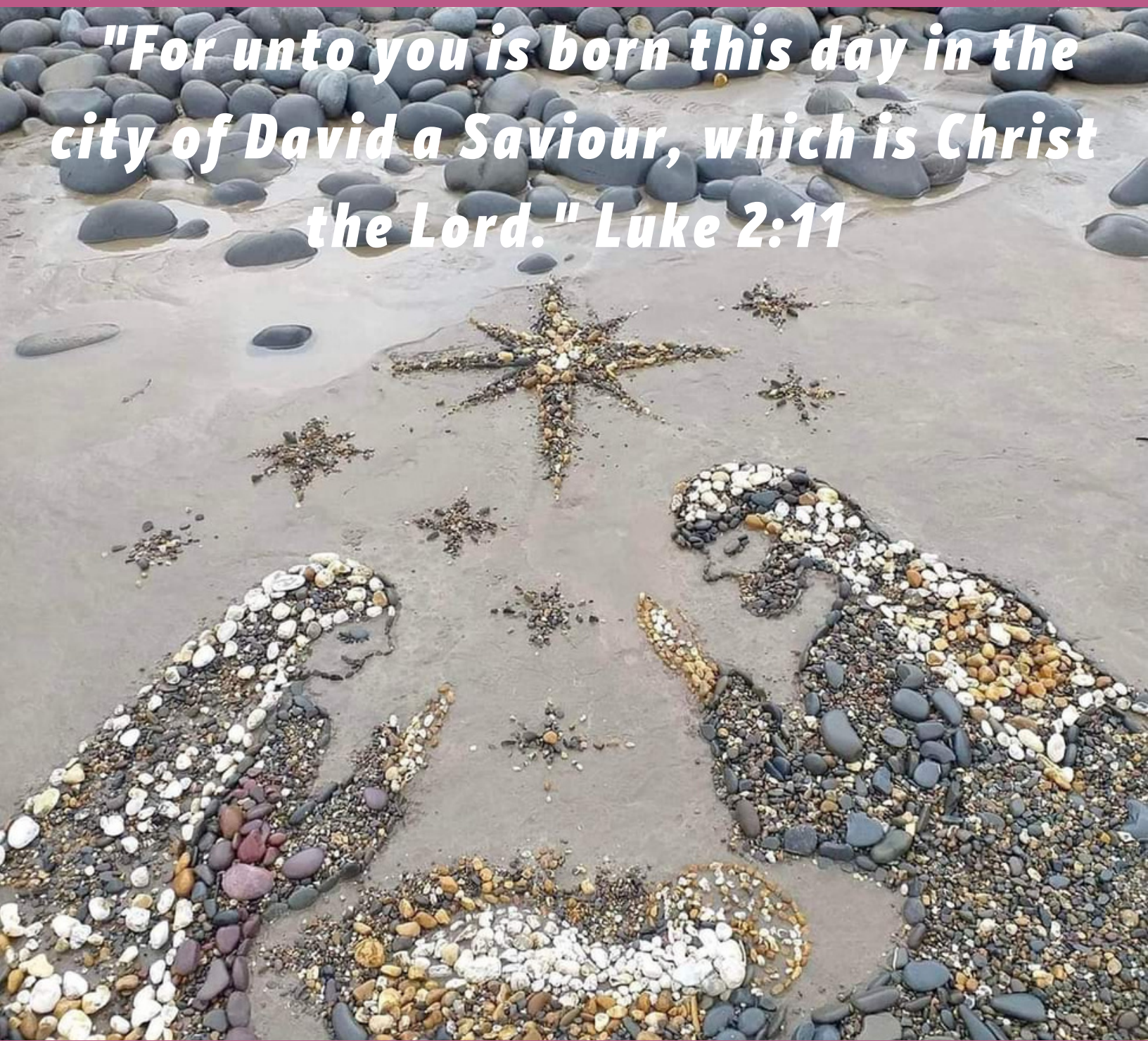




***"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11***



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PRAISE AND WORSHIP- 10:45

CALL TO SERVICE- 11:00AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRAYER

MESSAGE

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**THE WORSHIP GIVER:  
"YOU CAN'T BEAT GOD GIVING"**

*"Enjoy prosperity while you can, but when hard times strike, realize that both come from God. Remember that nothing is certain in this life" Ecclesiastes 7:14*

*"Offertory Prayer"*

*Lord God, thank you for upholding our lives. As we give our gifts and tithes to you, we are reminded of your great gift. We give you praise and honor for giving us the indescribable gift of your son, Jesus. It is too wonderful for words that Jesus laid down his life so we could be translated from death to life. We are so blessed that Jesus redeemed us from the curse and set us free to live for you and with you for eternity. In your powerful name. Amen.*

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# SCRIPTURE LESSON

## LUKE 2: 12-16

**12 AND THIS WILL BE A SIGN FOR YOU: YOU WILL FIND A BABY WRAPPED IN SWADDLING CLOTHS AND LYING IN A MANGER."**

**13 AND SUDDENLY THERE WAS WITH THE ANGEL A MULTITUDE OF THE HEAVENLY HOST PRAISING GOD AND SAYING,**

**14 "GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE AMONG THOSE WITH WHOM HE IS PLEASED!**

**15 WHEN THE ANGELS WENT AWAY FROM THEM INTO HEAVEN, THE SHEPHERDS SAID TO ONE ANOTHER, "LET US GO OVER TO BETHLEHEM AND SEE THIS THING THAT HAS HAPPENED, WHICH THE LORD HAS MADE KNOWN TO US."**

**16 AND THEY WENT WITH HASTE AND FOUND MARY AND JOSEPH, AND THE BABY LYING IN A MANGER.**

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## *The True Christmas Spirit ~ Ina G. Roberts*

*A long time ago, down Bethlehem way, A star shown in the night sky as bright as the day.  
The shepherds were watching their flocks with care, When a host of angels appeared in the air,  
Proclaiming the son of God had been born, To deliver our souls on that cold Christmas morn.  
You will find him wrapped in swaddling clothes, Lying in a manger while the cattle lows.*

*A few short decades later, he died on a cross. Without his sacrifice, we would all be lost.  
So as you're running around, buying gifts and treats, To have a big party when your family meets,  
Stop and remember why we celebrate this day, It's not about gifts and food and games to play.  
I think of that; we all have enough. When you think about it, it's all just stuff.*

*The gift of love is what Jesus gave, And salvation the day he arose from the grave.  
To love each other is all that he asks. I know that at times that can be a big task.  
Just humble yourself and look all around. I think what you find will be profound.  
There are many who can only afford the gift of love. No presents, no tree with a star up above.*

*Look into your life, and you will find you are blessed, By many who love you; that gift is the best.  
So when it comes time to bless your meal, Ask for your family to be blessed as well.  
Not with gifts or money or material stuff, but that love and tolerance will be enough.  
Remember the loved ones who cannot be there, But rejoice they're in heaven and not suffering here.*

*And when you see someone who is down and out, Don't put them down or have any doubt.  
Just do what you think Jesus would do. Give what you can to help them get through.  
If they misuse it, that's between them and God. In Jesus' eyes you have done your job.*

*God bless you and enjoy your family Christmas day, May peace, love, and happiness come your way.*



# SICK AND SHUT-IN

ROY & BARBARA JOHNSTON  
HANK & ANNE DES JARDINS  
LENITA MARIE JOHNSON  
ELOIS OLIVER  
HARVEY JOHNSON  
LAVON & LOUISE DEADWILER  
DEACON BARMORE DUNCAN  
JOSEPH HAMPTON  
KEN & VIRGINIA SAUNDERS  
KIM BURGESS  
PEGGY SIMS

ANNETTE JONES  
EVELYN CUNNINGHAM  
ARLISHA ENRIQUEZ  
MICHAEL GIPSON  
VINNIE HARRIS  
SHARON ROCKSTEAD  
MICHAEL PETERSON, JR.  
BEVERLY COMBS  
CELIA RUCKER  
LEILA BEATON  
RUTHIE TURNER

*"But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."  
Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest  
upon me." 2 Corinthians 12:9*

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## PRAYER LIST

Rev. Dr. H. Lee Turner, Pastor for strength, wisdom and encouragement

CBC staff, ministers, auxiliaries, ministries, teachers and church family

The Ellis and Foster families at the passing of Carol Ellis

Bro Axton Blake Enriquez for physical healing

The Wright family at the passing of a family member

Bro Daniel Cahill for continued healing from heart surgery

Sis Kathie Bell for comfort and healing of chronic pain

Sis Betty Thompson for uplifting and guidance

Bro Hans Schmidt for continued physical healing (out of ICU!)

Sis Kelsey Kane for healing of a severe skin infection

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