



THERE WERE SHEPHERDERS CAMPING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THEY HAD SET NIGHT WATCHES OVER THEIR SHEEP. SUDDENLY, GOD'S ANGEL STOOD AMONG THEM AND GOD'S GLORY BLAZED AROUND THEM. THEY WERE TERRIFIED. THE ANGEL SAID, "DON'T BE AFRAID. I'M HERE TO ANNOUNCE A GREAT AND JOYFUL EVENT THAT IS MEANT FOR EVERYBODY, WORLDWIDE: A SAVIOR HAS JUST BEEN BORN IN DAVID'S TOWN, A SAVIOR WHO IS MESSIAH AND MASTER. THIS IS WHAT YOU'RE TO LOOK FOR: A BABY WRAPPED IN A BLANKET AND LYING IN A MANGER." AT ONCE THE ANGEL WAS JOINED BY A HUGE ANGELIC CHOIR SINGING GOD'S PRAISES: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HEAVENLY HEIGHTS, PEACE TO ALL MEN AND WOMEN ON EARTH WHO PLEASE HIM.

You can now get a digital copy of this newsletter on our webpage at:
<http://www.dawsonumc.org/Newsletter.htm>

We keep an archive of recent newsletters on the website so if you would like to look back at something from a couple of months ago you will be able to.

Weekly @ Dawson

Sunday - Sunday School @ 9:30 AM
Morning Worship @ 10:45 AM
Monday - All Scouts @ 7 PM
Tuesday - Bible Study @ 10 AM
Wednesday - Bible Study @ 5:45 PM
Choir @ 7 PM

Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

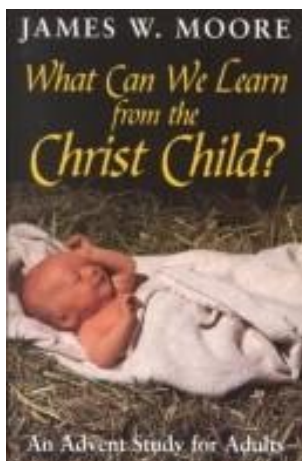
Dec 24th @ 7 PM

From The Editor...

I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a blessed new year. It has been my pleasure to prepare the newsletter for you again this year. As always if you have information that you would like to have included in our newsletter please email the information to me at russellb54@me.com and I will be happy to find a place for it.

I urge you to take a little extra time to spend with your friends and family during this wonderful holiday season and may the light of Christ shine on and through you always.

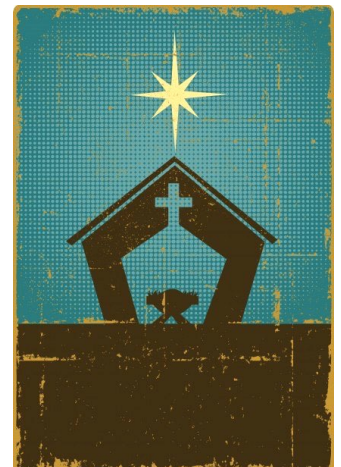
Russell Brace



NEW BIBLE STUDY

Starting Wednesday evening Dec 3rd from 5:45 to 6:45 the Wisdom Seekers Bible Study Group will begin a new Advent bible study. The text is "What Can We Learn From The Christ Child?" by James W. Moore. There will be 3 lessons prior to Christmas and the final lesson after the New Year.

Everyone is welcome!!



Dawson Family Christmas Dinner & Christmas Show

Make plans now for the annual Christmas Dinner and Show on December 14th at 5:30 PM. Watch for more information about the dinner in Decembers newsletter and if you would like to help with the dinner please see Jo Prater.

This years Christmas show will be a Dawson variety show, by Dawson's talented members. So get started rehearsing those great Christmas songs, poetry, stories and carols ... and be sure to let Russell know that you want to be a part of this fun evening. We will assemble in the sanctuary after dinner and begin shortly there after. Please sign up or let the office know so we can know how much food to prepare.

Be sure to mark your calendars now ... and save this date!!!



Teddy Bear Cookie Sale

This is super fun thing to do ... Bake your favorite cookies, bring them to church and we will sell them back to you. It's a great way to get lot's of yummy cookies for Christmas and it's a fun fund raiser for the church. Dec. 21st after worship.



Saturday December 6th ... 8 AM - 5PM ... In Fellowship Hall

You still have time to bring over all of those unwanted or unused christmas decorations. We will serve lunch & there will be a bake sale so make up an extra batch of those yummy Christmas recipes.

We can always use extra help and it's a great time to engage with our community. Please contact Sheryl Kaufman



The church offices will be closed for the December 24th -26th for Christmas & December 31st - January 2nd for New Years.

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Merry Christmas from Dawson