# **Tim Curington**

Luke 2:1–14
The First Christmas Carol

Introduction: Luke 2:14 has been called the first Christmas poem. I don't know that it was sung (verse 13 uses the word "saying"), but it is certainly worthy of our attention. Here we see the angels glorifying God at the birth of the Saviour.

#### There is:

- no envy present in their carol of praise
- no tinge of jealousy
- no desire for the attention that belongs to Christ and Him alone
- no pride
- no hint that, "We are somebody because we knew what was happening before the rest of the world"
- just pure, unadulterated praise

#### I. This Is a Carol of Praise

- A. The Person of Praise
- B. The Purpose of Praise

## II. This Is a Carol of Peace

- A. It Tells Us of a Present Peace
- B. It Is a Prophetic Peace

### III. This Is a Carol of Potential

- A. God's Plan
- B. God's Provision

**Conclusion:** Jesus came to bring us salvation. It is **He** who makes peace on earth and goodwill toward men possible.



# WEDNESDAY OPPORTUNITIES

Our Wednesday night programs are for the family. We have something for everyone!

> Nursery (Babies)

Room 205

Nursery 1 Year Old Room 206

Nursery (2-3-year-olds) Room 203

#### **Pee Wee Patch**

4 Yr. Old - Room 510 5 Yr. Old - Room 510 1st Grade - Room 506

Patch the Pirate Club (2nd-4th Grades) Chapel

Patch the Pirate Club (5th-6th Grades) Room 601

Teenagers
Adult Bible Study
Auditorium

Discipleship Program
Fellowship Hall



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Wednesday, December 2, 2015



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Staff Recognition
Gary Neal in his 10th year
Ministry of the Week
Music

Deacon of the Week Bob Heath

Service Member of the Week Travis Phelps

Shut-in & Elderly of the Week Margie Mangum

College Students of the Week: Joash Ravi - UNC Asheville

## Missionary of the Week Chris & Amy Yetzer - Italy

A Missionary's interpretation of Humpy Dumpty:

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall - Many People find themselves on Humpty's wall. Sin has teased and fooled the multitudes into the precarious position atop the tall wall. It seems that this world is full of souls sitting on the wall of destruction. Maybe if the King's servants had been there to caution the poor souls; possibly they would have been prevented from ever coming to this risky locale.

Humpty Dumpty had a great fall - No doubt large percentages end up falling; after all, that was the wall builder's intention. Are we too busy looking at ourselves that we neglect to look upon the wall?

All the King's horses & all the King's men On the wall, life was not easy, but it went
on. The King's servants weren't called for
and neither did they notice the distress.
After the great fall, the need was obvious,
and the calls were made.

Couldn't put Humpty together again. - The King's servants try all the latest advice but to no avail. As they walk the length of the wall, there are dozens, hundreds, and thousands of others on the wall, whom they care not to warn. They ignore the ladder fashioned from the wood of an old Cross and fail to bring sinners down one by one.

Pray for the millions of wall sitters around Italy.

## **ELDERLY/SHUT-INS**

Glenda Thomason Dot Frances

Barbara Hall Ruby Oakley Rose Griffin Shirley Ladd

# **HEALTH/GENERAL NEEDS**

Joe Ditmore Tara Bethel's Kay Burgess father Kitty Pope Martha Mitchell's sister Janice Moore J. Dawes' mother Joan Smith Donnie Smith's mother Nicholas Sandridge Spinal Muscular Atrophy Carlyn Chan M. LaQuay Ann Wison Ronnie Britt's sister **Bob Isaacs** Melissa Hodnett Hannah Jarrell Diabetes Daniel Quackenbush S.

Youmans' nephew

Kay & Alan Moulson

Randy's parents

Sandridge COPD

Richard Sandridge Rick's

Brother of Rick

Dad

**Greg Bethel** 

Mrs. Holly Ferrell Brain tumor (M. Killough) Gary Neal Dot Rigsbee Mike Martino Gordon Perrigo Becky's Carlino's parents Mona Dunn M. Mitchell Beatrice Dail (J. Laws' Mom) Dr. Bob Gray, Sr. & Mrs. Gray Heather Kokubun Ridge Riley 2 yr. old with brain tumor (Cindy Gardner)

Colton Parton Immune disorder Gladys King Janet Medlin Baby Mason Heart valve problem (M. LaQuay) Ellen Williams Hilda's niece Brian Owens serious health need (Son of former pastor Guy Owens) Leonard Lawrence Denise's father The Ange Family death

of Mrs. Hazel Ange

# **Chad Bass**

Dixie Ray broken wrist

## **Aaron and Hur Ministry**

12/6 AM Loren Kurtz, Jerry Filson, Doug Riggs

**12/6 PM** Lord's Supper

#### **Nursery Workers**

#### Infant Sun. AM:

Linda Bivins. Teresa Parton, Shelly Youmans

### **Infant Sun. PM:**

Sharon Kinney, Joann **Phillips** 

# 1 Yr. Sun. AM:

Susan Douglass

#### 1 & 2 Yr. Sun. PM:

Tara Bethel, Sarah Bethel

#### 2 Yr. Sun. AM:

Jodi & Joanna Roberts

#### 3 Yr. Sun. AM:

Jennifer Blackwood, Rachel Dawes, Kaitlyn Upadhaya

#### Wed. Infant:

Janet Phelps, Jeanette Bass

#### Wed. 1 Yr:

Jennifer Nauseef. Karla Curington

#### Wed. 2 & 3 Yr:

Bonnie Britt, Melanie Sykes

# IN THE HOSPITAL

#### **GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS**

President Barack Obama Police Chief Jose Lopez

Vice-President Joe Biden **County Commissioners** 

City Manager Tom Bonfield City Council

### IN THE MILITARY

**Brad Miller Shane Miller** Seth Winkley J. Carpenter Jenny Frost Kayla Porter Genero Howell Kayla Porter B.J. Lovett V. Lovett's grandson C.J. Dunn M. Robinson Rvan Oaklev Travis Phelps Ciearro Faulk J. Jerkins

Jamie Anderson S. Kinney Mark Fortner Brandon Roberts T. Christ Aaron Kinney Justin & Duncan McEldowney Blake Mayton Marshall Salmon (M. Wills) Jonathan Strader J. Hodnett

Curtis Tucker T. Bethel C.J. Payne H. Payne **Drew Peek** De-Andra Fogg Akehia Jerkins' cousin Nathan Minner S. Youmans' nephew Matt Dersch Akers' son-in-law

## **CANCER PATIENTS**

Robert Jackson Chad's father **David Crittenton** Orpha Taylor Remona's aunt **Sharon Rhodes Jimmy Rose** Mary Henderson A. Proctor Paxton Phelps K. Shambley Fave Wills M. Wills Judy Knott Martha Mitchell Joan Worth D. Metzger Pam Williamson L. Perrigo Walter Glenn Douglas Hall 10 yr old with Leukemia D. Beugnot Milly Boyt S. Akers Tim Wiggins Missy Riggs Brenda Bazen M. Wills Mrs. Hawkins M. LaQuay Pray treatments work Kim Tyrrell K. Ketner's sister

Cathy Byrd R. Broadwell Tricia Christie D. Laws Kimberly Earp F. Pittman Ken King brother of John King Aubree Hiltbold 10 mo. old S. Youmans Teresa Walters D. Beugnot Greg Maddox Bro. Mark Maddox's Laurie Horne brother Judy Self J. Carpenter's cousin **Brian Nicoll Friend of Charles** Hogan Jon Styron Fitzroy Jerkins Jabari's Dad

Bryant White, 8 yrs. Old A. **Jerkins** Kim Riley C. Gardner Melva Sharon Kinnev's sister J.W. Byrd Melinda W. & Lady P. Ruth (Lee) Phillips Regina Kidd's mother Scottie Overby Gary Neal Alma Morin S. Kinnev's grandma Jane Carden Vann Ray's sister Sam Daniel

# **MISSIONARIES**

Carl Bernard Ouebec David Owens Guyana Ken Schaap Ohio Mark Palmani Philippines Adam Fridenstien El Salvador Rooftop Missions Alberto Perez Ecuador

Walter Poole Cambodia Chantha Chhim Singapore Brian Johnston Canada Ben Turner Vancouver Round Up Ministries Xavier Lopez Bolivia Elias Correa Ireland Charlie Vest Philippines Robert Tully Brazil Jonathan Owens Bulgaria TJ Kimmel Jamaica

Joe Simmons China George Pordea Romania **David Solt England Robert Smith Barbados** Biz Larisse Haiti Tommy Ashcraft Mexico Mshama Kinyonga Tanzania Don Ossewaarde Russia

# **CHURCH BUDGET FOR THIS WEEK - WEEK OF 11/29/15**



Church Offering \$21,097.03 Building Fund \$ 10.00

Missions Offering \$ 1,617.27