



Waiting
with Joy

ADVENT CALENDAR

WAIT WITH A PURPOSE

My soul magnifies
The Lord,
and my spirit rejoices
in God my Savior.

—Luke 1:46

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LOOK AT THE STARS

When I look at your heavens...
the moon and the stars...
what is man that you are
mindful of him?

—Psalm 8:3-4



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Visit

A FRIEND

Blessed is she who believed that there
would be a fulfillment of what was spoken
to her from the Lord. —Luke 1:45

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.
—Hebrews 13:2

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Welcome
A STRANGER

pray 5
FOR
peace

The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. —Isaiah 11:6

6



LISTEN TO THE ELDERLY

Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel. —Luke 2:25



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embrace
THE UNEXPECTED

But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years. — Luke 1:7

FEED THE BIRDS

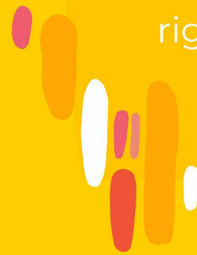
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Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?
—Matthew 6:26

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But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing.
—Matthew 6:3



DO GOOD IN SECRET

10

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.
—Matthew 1:1

List YOUR ANCESTORS

11

Sing

JOY TO THE WORLD

[Jesus] emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. —Philippians 2:7



12

[Mary] gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger.
—Luke 2:7

DISPLAY BABY PICTURES



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Behold,
I am the servant
of the Lord; let it be to me
according to your word.
—Luke 1:38

BE WILLING TO COOPERATE

BE
Thankful
FOR
SOMEONE

I do not cease to give thanks for you,
remembering you in my prayers.
—Ephesians 1:16

14

RECEIVE GOD'S GOOD GIFT



15

The free gift of God is eternal life in
Christ Jesus our Lord. —Romans 6:23



For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing. —2 Corinthians 2:15

**NAME YOUR FAVORITE
CHRISTMAS SMELLS**

17



Be still

Be still, and know that I am God.
—Psalm 46:10

18



Support
OTHERS

"Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us). —Matthew 1:23

And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart. —Luke 2:51



**TREASURE UP
ALL THESE THINGS**



20

Go Caroling

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! —Psalm 95:1

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The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me to
proclaim good news to the poor.
—Luke 4:18



TAKE SIDES WITH THE POOR



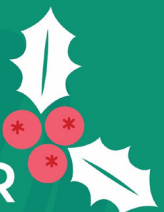
WATCH THE SUNRISE

The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it.
— John 1:5

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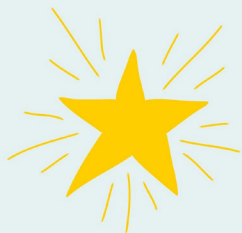
NAME
YOUR



fears

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom
shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid? —Psalm 27:1

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For to us
a child is born,
to us a son is given.

—Isaiah 9:6

GIVE CHRISTMAS PRESENCE

25



Read

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. —Luke 2:7

26



**LEAVE
THE**

stable

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. —Luke 2:20