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## Christmas Messages From the Clergy

### Christmas Message

By Rev. A. O. W. Foreman, Rector,  
United Church

"And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour which is called the Lord."—Luke 2: 10, 11

At the Advent season our thoughts turn once more to the manger at Bethlehem where the child Jesus was born whose coming was announced by the angel to the shepherds as they watched their flocks by night.

That first Christmas meant the dawning of a new day, the promise of a new era of peace and brotherhood. There is the word of comfort that God has sent us, a Saviour is born. It was a time of joy and hope, and He would give it rest and hope. His coming meant and death must finally be defeated because a Saviour is born.

This dream of Christian brotherhood of peace among nations is it just a mere sentiment with no possibility of application to our day? Do our Christmas hopes for the world mean anything for our practical thinking and living? Do we really want a Christian Canada and a Christian world? Or do we like a Saviour of old, "Have me from my sins, O Lord, but not now. Let Thy kingdom come, but not yet, O Lord, not yet."

The Christmas time should bring to us that wonderful truth that Christ should come to His own everywhere. He has had this hope in him purifying himself as He is pure.

Oh when shall all men's good be each man's rule, and universal peace.

He like a shaft of light across the land  
And like a line of beams athwart the sea

Thro' all the circle of the golden year  
Surely it will be when we open our hearts to the Saviour of men.

May it be ours to know the joy of this Christmas-time and to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God with a distressed and needy world.

### Can We Say

#### "Merry Christmas"

By Rev. W. G. O. Thompson, Rector,  
St. George's Anglican Church,  
Georgetown

In the old Yuletide wassailers in these war-time days, when so many are separated from loved ones, when our annual commemorations are lacking, when our hearts cannot take place and the horizon of peace though bright, is not yet lighted by the glorious dawn? I do think the old greeting is still valid. We have worked and given, we have cheerfully accepted necessary restrictions, we have sent forth hundreds into the field for freedom, and we have prayed God to give us victory and peace. God has heard our prayers, and victory and peace are appreciably nearer. To joyfully hear the return of loved ones is nearer. And, indeed, God's peace is ever with us. Let us then, in a simpler way, celebrate our Christmas.

Simpler, and, because simpler, I truly believe, happier. Write cheerful letters about Christmas at home to the men and women in the forces. It is the birthday of the Son of God Incarnate. It is a day to be in Church and in our homes. It is a day of blessing and of happiness. "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." "Gloria in excelsis Deo." And so—A Merry Christmas.  
WM. G. O. THOMPSON.

### The Day of Great Joy

By Rev. J. O. Totton, Rector,  
Ashgrove United Churches

The Day of the Saviour's birth was a day of great joy. The first to be told of the great joy were the shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. The angel of the Lord appeared unto them and said to them "Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord." What great joy these shepherds must have experienced as they stood and gazed in awe and adoration on the Babe lying in a manger. Then when the wise men from the East came seeking Him, who was born King of the Jews, they were directed on their way by a star which went before them, till it came and stood, over where the young Child was. And when they saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. There can be no true joy, no lasting joy for men anywhere except through this "unspeakable gift" which God gave to the world in Christ His Son.

The Psalmist of old cried out, "Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord." For they that seek Him are assured that they will find, when they seek with the whole heart. Their joy will be no ordinary happiness, but the "exceeding great joy" of the wise men and the shepherds from the hills.

Christmas carols have a beauty all their own, because their one central theme is this "great joy." One of the most beautiful of these carols and one of the most widely known and sung is "Joy to the world, the Lord is come; let earth receive her King! Let every heart prepare Him room; and heaven

and nature sing."

Someone has remarked that "Christiansity came into the world on the wings of song. Infidelity never sings. Unbelief has no music, no anthems, no hymns, no carols, no symphonies. When R. L. B. Inger did the printed notice of his funeral said: "There will be no singing."

But God intends that this great joy shall be to all people. It was never His purpose that it should be limited to a few. It is our privilege and duty who now possess this joy to share it with others, and to proclaim it to all the world.

Some thirty years after the first Christmas Philip went down to a city of Samaria and preached Christ unto them. Wonderful things followed and we read that there was great joy in that city. It is always so in any place, in any life where Christ is received as Saviour and Lord.

With a sincere wish that all readers may experience this great joy,  
Yours in Christ,  
J. O. TOTTON

### The Fourth War-time Christmas

By Rev. R. C. Todd, of Georgetown  
United Church

For ten fourth war-time Christmas we are reminded in every hand that death and destruction, the twin fruits of evil are abroad in the world. Since last Christmas many lives have been broken, many brave hearts have been snuffed out, many healthy bodies have been maimed, and many peaceful cities have been cruelly devastated. For large numbers of people, family reunions are only a tender memory and impossible now except in spirit. All this is the result of rolling out Christmas and all that for which it stands.

All this is the fruit of that regularizing process, which has made of Christmas a pagan festival and of which a pagan Christmas, prostituted and commercialized is the unholy, degraded symbol. All this is the result of what we moderns call "private initiative" and the Scriptures call "hatred." From whence comes war and lightning among you? Come they not from your lusts, which was in your members? Ye love and have not, ye kill and desire to have and cannot obtain (James 4: 1-2). All this is the result of the sin of men who trust in their own strength and power, and who say: "My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth."

Against all this paganism, first hate, vengeance and pride, God has pitched the strength of Him whose birthday we celebrate on Friday. He was, "The Word of God made Flesh." To the Words of God regarding righteousness, justice, mercy and love, spoken by the prophets of old, Christ gave concrete form, both in His own Holy Person and in the Society that grew up around Him. These are Words which self-styled dictators and the "rulers of the darkness of this world," ignore and ridicule. And this "Word made Flesh," they do all in their power to discredit and eradicate. What can men do to destroy God the Eternal? whose Words shall never pass away, though heaven and earth do pass away? Believers will rejoice at the Nativity Season, for they can say in the words of Martin Luther:

... for us fights the Proper Man,  
Whom God himself hath hidden.  
Ask ye who is this same?  
Christ, Jesus is His name,  
The Lord Babbaoth's Son;  
He and no other one,  
Shall conquer in the battle!"

Friends and fellow-citizens, let us remember that Christmas emphasizes the failure of man to find in his own strength a better world; and that it also points the pathway along which he must travel to the end of the great dream in the loving and merciful heart of God, the land where goodwill and peace supersede selfishness and lust, where fair-play supplants foul, where love takes the place of competition and hate, where men bear one another's burdens, and where the Name of Christ is above every name that is named. Perhaps we are learning today that that pathway is the "Via Dolorosa" which the thorn-crowned Saviour trod on his way to a Cross! "The Way of the Cross Leads Home."

### A Christmas Message

From Rev. Chas. C. Cochran, B.A.,  
Knox and Limehouse Presbyterian  
Churches

There is an appearance of futility in the exchange of Christmas wishes and greetings in times like these. The Christmas message is one of peace, when all around us is war; of forgiveness, when as far as the eye can see is vengeance; of joy, when we are in the midst of sorrow. In these circumstances the "good tidings of great joy" take on an even more absurd appearance than usual. It would seem that every one of us, and particularly the Christian Church, is engaged in a deliberate self-deception of the most transparent kind.

We ought not, however, to be too greatly impressed by appearances. The fact of the matter is that the Christmas message (which is also the Christian message) always has the appearance of absurdity. The seeming emptiness of the message is the very thing that makes it so powerful. (Continued on Page 5)



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