

## ***Christmas Day***

**"Glory To God In The Highest Heaven, And On Earth Peace Among Those Whom He Favours!"**

**December 25, 2010**

Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ: Today and this Christmas period is a season of joy and happiness. For our Lord Jesus the Redeemer, has come to be with us in our hearts and world again. The presence of Christ in our lives brings joy, peace, and happiness. He is our light and the light of the world. Jesus has come to cast out the darkneses in our lives. The prophet Isaiah tells us, "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shone. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy, they rejoice before you." (Is. 9:2-4)

Why should we be happy at this season? Each and everyone of us ought to be happy, because our Saviour Jesus Christ has come into our lives to set us free from sin and the consequences of sin, our God has come into our lives to wipe away our tears, He has come to bring peace and harmony in our homes, He has come to restore joy, love and peace in marriages. God is our healer; He has come to heal our souls and sicknesses.

St. Paul in his letter to Titus said, "The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all," St. Paul goes on to say, "He is who gave himself for us that He might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for Himself a people of His own." (Titus 2:11-14) From this we see that Christ has totally given Himself out for our own good. He has come to share with us in all our trials, problems, sufferings and to make things better for us. Christ's presence in our lives and world will bring a great change, a change for the better.

The gospel of Luke tells us, "Do not be afraid; for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Christ, the Lord." (Lk.2:1-16)

This season of Christmas is a season of *GOOD NEWS*. Let us open the doors of our hearts and of our world to Christ Jesus, the new born Messiah, who has come to bring us joy, peace, love of God and salvation. With strong faith in God, let us say to Christ Jesus, "*Lord, come in and dwell forever in our lives and in our world.*"