

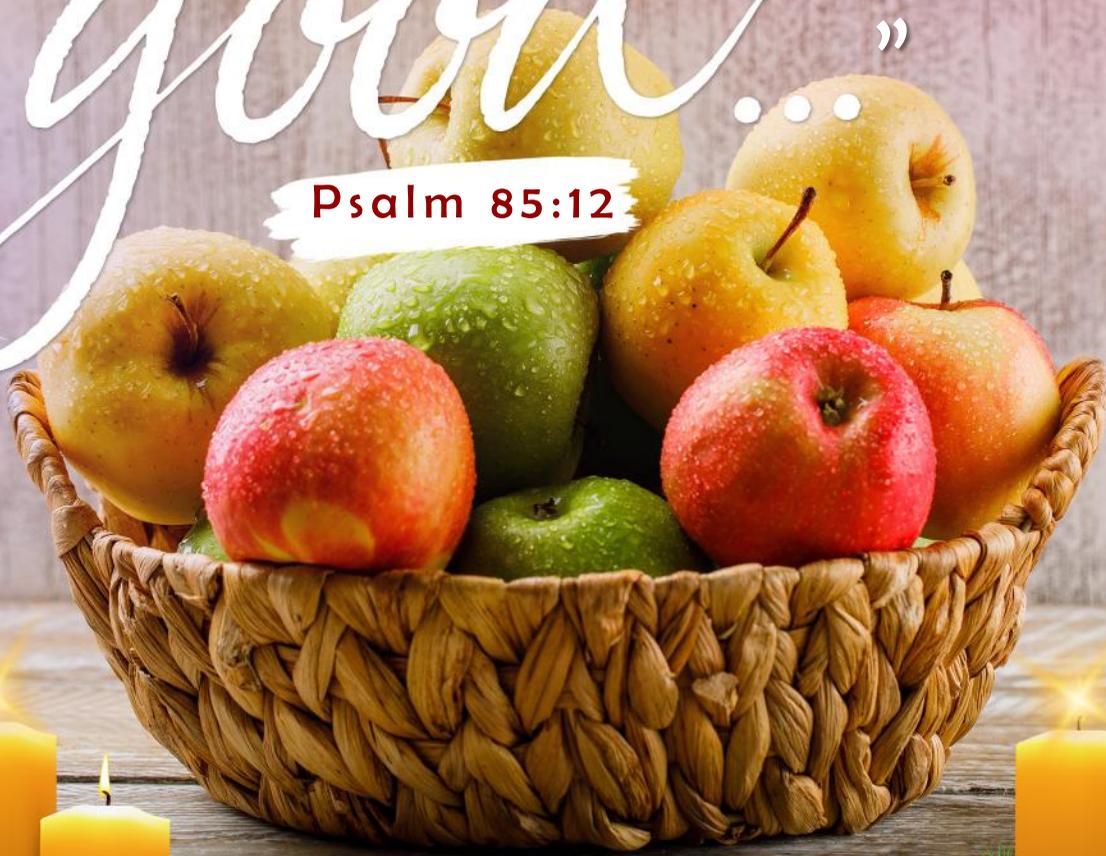
Newsletter

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“ Yes, the LORD will
give what is
good...”

Psalm 85:12



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FASTING PRAYER
MIDNIGHT PRAYER
CONFERENCE PRAYER
PRAYER BEFORE EVERY SERVICE



THROUGH CHECK

(Payable to "Throne of Grace Ministries" and
mail to 122 Pendant, Irvine CA 92620)

THROUGH ONLINE

(By visiting our website www.throneofgrace.us
or our TOG App)

GIVING





Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have come to the end of this year; we thank God for His mercies that sustained us all through these past months. We thank God for helping us to enter another new month, we wish you all a Merry Christmas.

God blessed all the services that were held last month. During this month we will have Christmas services at each location, join us, and be blessed. Here are the upcoming events:

- Children and youth Christmas program on December 11th, Sunday at 4PM
Venue: Light of Christ Lutheran Church, 18182 Culver Dr Irvine CA 92612
- Christmas Service on December 25th, Sunday at 11AM
Venue: Light of Christ Lutheran Church, 18182 Culver Dr Irvine CA 92612
- Watch Night Service on December 31st, Saturday at 11PM
Venue: Light of Christ Lutheran Church, 18182 Culver Dr Irvine CA 92612

We are conducting our Sunday morning worship service as in person service at our home and streaming it online as well. Please continue to pray with us as we are looking for a church facility in Irvine.

You can visit our website to check for latest updates on upcoming meetings and events. <https://throneofgrace.us/>.

We request you to join our conference prayers that are held throughout the week. We have special midnight prayer every day from 12 to 12:30 am. We also have a conference prayer on Tuesdays led by children and teens at 6PM PST. Please join these prayers and encourage your children to participate as well.

If you have prayer requests for you or your family, please write to us at pastor.rajan@throneofgrace.us

“Yes, the Lord will give what is good...” - Psalms 85:12

In His Service,
Pastor Abraham K Rajan & Indira Rajan

Growing...

TEEN'S PAGE - ALEX VEDAMANIKAM

During this time of year (December), we remember the birth of Jesus Christ and celebrate Christmas. This month, I want to encourage you all to meditate on Luke 2: 40 & 52. Jesus is the ultimate example, and these two verses can give us further insight on how we should grow during our youth. “And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.” Luke 2:40. “And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.” Luke 2:58. Prior to both these verses, Jesus was fulfilling prophecy and commandments and seeking God and His kingdom. Jesus increased in wisdom, stature, and favor of God, by doing these things.

Growing in Wisdom:

“ I have taught you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in right paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hindered, And when you run, you will not stumble. Take firm hold of instruction, do not let go; Keep her, for she is your life.” Proverbs 4: 11-13. These scriptures talk about how the father taught the son wisdom. The wisdom of the father allowed the son to be unhindered and to run without stumbling. Jesus grew and increased in wisdom and the wisdom of God allowed Him to be unhindered and go without stumbling.

**“ For the Lord
gives wisdom;
From His mouth
come knowledge
and
understanding;”**

Proverbs 2:6

Growing in Stature:

“For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh.” Proverbs 4:22. This scripture reference speaks about the son who finds the father’s words, how they are life and health to their flesh. Health to their flesh means that their physical body is strengthened. We can read in Luke chapter 2 how Jesus went to hear teaching. It shows how much Jesus sought the word of God, and it brought physical health, strength to his body and increased His height.

Growing in Favor of God:



“My son, if your heart is wise, My heart will rejoice—indeed, I myself; Yes, my inmost being will rejoice When your lips speak right things.” Proverbs 23: 15 & 16. Jesus grew in the favor of God because Jesus did the wise things. Jesus in Luke 2 went to the Temple, and when found by His parents was questioned of them. Jesus told them, I was doing my Father’s business. Choosing to seek God and His kingdom is the best and most wise decision we can make, and it will bring the favor of God in our life.

Jesus grew as a child in the wisdom, stature and favor of God. Jesus simply loved the Father and wanted to do His work. We need to follow the example of Jesus Christ and seek after God. When we seek after God and love Him with all our heart, we too will see and experience the wisdom, physical strength and health, and favor of God in our lives. I believe that the Lord will help you to grow in the wisdom, stature, and favor of God in this month.

Have a blessed month and a Merry Christmas.

GOOD NEWS



WOMEN'S PAGE



Greetings to all my dear sisters in Christ. We thank God for His grace as we enter another new month. We wish you all a Merry Christmas. As we have come to the end of this year, we encourage you to focus on the purpose that God has for us as His children.

All of us at some point in our lives have had a personal touch from God. Some of us have had a miraculous visitation from Him while some of us have heard His words in a personal way. In this message we will see two such instances and how God expects us to respond to Him.

The Shepherds:

“Now when they had seen Him, they made widely known the saying which was told them concerning this Child.” - Luke 2:17

The glory of the Lord shone around the shepherds who were watching over their flocks at night. Then an angel spoke to them and announced the birth of Jesus Christ to the shepherds. And suddenly with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host started praising God and saying: “Glory to God in the highest., And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!” The Lord chose to send His angels to these shepherds to give them a message of hope; to bring peace and joy into their lives. After receiving the message from the angel, they went in haste to the place where Mary and the child were. They saw Jesus and rejoiced in the Lord, greatly. Because of the joy and peace, they experienced, they shared all that they heard and saw with everyone around them. Those who heard them marveled at those things which happened.

In this Christmas season do we have the zeal and joy that these shepherds experienced? Do we have a person revelation from God about our Savior and King? No one would have expected the Lord to speak to the shepherds when there were so many learned men in Israel during the days of Jesus. Take heart! For the Lord does not see us as

men see us, He watches over us in our darkest times and will reveal Himself to us. Just as these shepherds did, we must rejoice in the Lord and share His love, peace, and joy to those who are around us. It is God's commandment to us to share His gospel to those who are in need.

“Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them.” - Luke 2:20

The Samaritan woman:

“The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men, “Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ?” Then they went out of the city and came to Him. - John 4:28-30



The way Jesus interacted with the Samaritan woman is very interesting and unique. Bible records about many people who came to Jesus seeking Him for a miracle or to test His knowledge. But His conversation with the Samaritan woman was initiated by Jesus Himself. He met her at the well where she came to draw water. Perhaps when Jesus saw her, He saw her as a person who could be a blessing to others. She was a woman who believed that in the coming Messiah, who will teach them the truth. So, Jesus spoke to her in a way that she can understand the truth and He revealed Himself to her as the Messiah. Once she knew Him, she was excited and ran into the city and spoke to everyone about He told her. In the same way, the Lord has met each one of us and revealed Himself to us in a distinct way. As His children, we must remember what He did for us and continue to rejoice in who He is in our lives. This will help us to be a blessing to many others so they can believe in Jesus and receive Him in their lives.

“ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” - Matthew 28:19-20

During this christmas season, let us make a decision to share His good news. Have a blessed month and Happy Christmas.

“The Lord
will GIVE,
GOOD”



PROMISE MESSAGE



“Yes, the LORD will give what is good...” - Psalm 85:12

The Bible says our Lord is good. He is always good. He will never do evil to His children. The Lord wants to give and fill our life with His goodness. In this promise message we are going to meditate what good things we will receive from our God.

1. Jesus Christ:

“Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” And Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” - John 1:45-46

Nathanael was asking Philip if anything good will come out of Nazareth. Here Nathanael was mentioning Jesus Christ as “good”. Then Philip replied to Nathanael, “come and see”. Nathanael went to see Jesus. When Jesus saw Nathanael, Jesus revealed about Nathanael that he was an Israelite in whom there is no deceit. Nathanael asked Jesus how do you know about me? Then Jesus told him that He saw him before Philip called him from under the tree. So immediately Nathanael accepted Jesus as the Son of God and King of Israel. Jesus then spoke to him about the things that Nathanael will see in the future. Nathanael went to Jesus and found Him as good.

Jesus came to this world and did good things to many people (Acts 10:38). Jesus went about doing good, delivering people from devils and healing people. Whoever Jesus met or whoever came to Jesus by faith, Jesus did good things unto them. Those who encountered Jesus had a change in their life that resulted in good. The sinful woman came to the feet of Jesus and received remission of her sins. Jesus met the Samaritan woman and had a conversation with her, and it changed her life completely and caused her to become a messenger of God. Zacchaeus also had an encounter

with God, and it brought a good change and blessing to his life. Many other people received deliverance and healing because of their encounter with Jesus Christ. All these people received good things because they accepted Jesus Christ. Having Jesus in our life will bring good things into our life. I want to encourage you all to have Jesus in your life every day and at all times. ***“He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?” - Romans 8:32***

2. Holy Spirit:

“If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!” - Matthew 7:11

“If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!” - Luke 11:13



Here these two verses say that the Holy Spirit of God is a good gift which comes from God. Whoever received the Holy Spirit and His power, they all saw the goodness of God in their life. Jesus told His disciples that receiving the Holy Spirit is good for them and commanded them to wait until they have received the Holy Spirit. According to His commandment, while they were waiting and praying in Jerusalem, they all received the Holy Spirit. ***“And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” Acts 2:4*** After they received the Holy Spirit, there were many good changes that happened in their life. The Holy Spirit helped them to stand for Jesus boldly and also wherever they went, they brought good things in others life. The Bible says that after they received the Holy Spirit, Peter and John went to the Temple and healed the lame man (Acts 3:6-8). Also when Peter went to Cornelius’ house, the Holy Spirit came upon all the people who gathered there (Acts 10:44-48). The Bible says, many sick people were brought to the street and laid them there so that the shadow of Peter could fall on them to receive their healing (Acts 5:15 & 16). Through all the works of the Holy Spirit, many people were added in the Church. So having the Holy Spirit in our lives will bring good things into our life, and to others through our life. The Lord wants us to be filled with the Holy Spirit and His power. ***“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” Acts 1:8.***

3. For Our Good:

“And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.” - Romans 8:28.



Here Paul says if anyone loves the Lord, then everything will work together for their good, regardless of what happens in their life. Paul experienced this in his life. When he was Saul, he was persecuting the churches. That time the Lord visited him in the middle of the street through a great light. Saul fell from the horse, and he lost his sight for three days. He needed people to help him to go to the town. It is a physical challenge that he encountered and a shame that he experienced because of his need of people to help him. But all these things worked together for his good. Through this visitation, he became a servant of God and established many churches for the Lord Jesus Christ. During his ministry time, he went through many challenges, but everything turned out for his good. That is why Paul is encouraging us that all things work together for our good, as long as we love the Lord. In the Old Testament time, in the life of Joseph, he faced many challenges. But the Lord turned everything into good for him.

“But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.” Genesis 50:20. The good things happened not only for Joseph, but also to many people as well. The goodness of God impacted his life, and the lives of many other people.

In your life also, all things work together for your good. Your life will be a great blessing to many other people. So do not be discouraged.

***“Who satisfies your mouth with good things,
So that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.” - Psalm 103:5***

The Lord will fill you with all His good things in this month of December. Just seek Him, love Him, and be filled with His power of the Holy Spirit. Have a blessed Christmas.

GENEROUS HEART

John 6:1-14



- Esther Justin

One day Jesus was preaching to a great multitude of people. As it was getting late in the evening, Jesus asked His disciples to give food for all of them.

The disciples did not have enough money or food to feed them, as there were more than 5000 people. There was a little boy in the crowd who was willing to share his food, the 5 loaves and 2 fishes. Jesus took the food in His hands and blessed it. Then all the people ate, and they all were satisfied. They not only were satisfied but had 12 full baskets of remaining loaves and fishes. What a great miracle by our Lord Jesus!

This little boy did not keep it for himself alone; whatever small thing he had he gave to Jesus and shared with others.

In the same way, Jesus has blessed you in so many ways. He has given you good clothes, shoes, toys, books etc. Have a generous heart to share with others, don't just keep it for yourself. God has given you many talents. Don't think your talents are small and insignificant, or that you are not as good as others. When you trust in Jesus and give it in His hands, He will use it for His glory.

During this Christmas season let us not just wait to see what gifts we are going to receive but let us give to others with a cheerful heart. The Word of God says it is better to give than to receive.



MEMORY VERSE

"The generous soul will be made rich,
And he who waters will also be watered
himself." - Proverbs 11:25



Jesus Feeds 5000

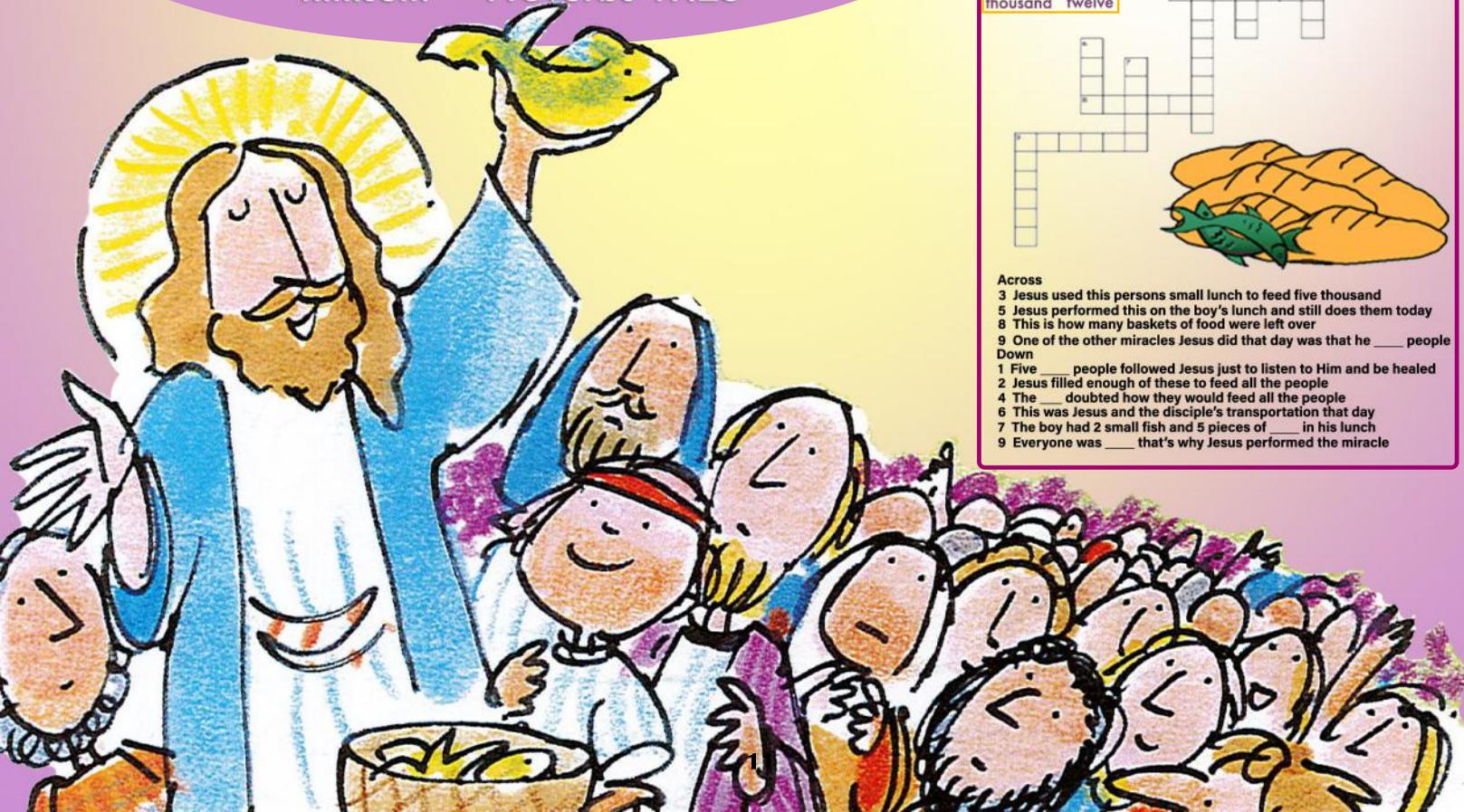
John 6: 1-14 & Matthew 14: 13, 14

Word List	
baskets	boat
disciples	boy
bread	healed
hungry	miracle
thousand	twelve



Across

- Jesus used this persons small lunch to feed five thousand
 - Jesus performed this on the boy's lunch and still does them today
 - This is how many baskets of food were left over
 - One of the other miracles Jesus did that day was that he _____ people
- #### Down
- Five _____ people followed Jesus just to listen to Him and be healed
 - Jesus filled enough of these to feed all the people
 - The _____ doubted how they would feed all the people
 - This was Jesus and the disciple's transportation that day
 - The boy had 2 small fish and 5 pieces of _____ in his lunch
 - Everyone was _____ that's why Jesus performed the miracle



PROMISE - DECEMBER 2022

“Yes, the LORD
will give
what is good ...”

Psalms 85:12

NEVER GIVE UP

EVENTS FOR DECEMBER 2022

S		4 Irvine Worship Service @ 10:30 am Inland Empire Christmas Program Practice @ 5:00 pm	11 Irvine Worship Service @ 10:30 am Combined Children & Youth Christmas Program @ 4:00 pm	18 Irvine Worship Service @ 10:30 am	25 Christmas Worship Service @ 11:00 am
M		5	12	19	26
T		6 Children/Teens Prayer in Zoom @ 6:00 pm	13 Children/Teens Prayer in Zoom @ 6:00 pm	20 Children/Teens Prayer in Zoom @ 6:00 pm	27
W		7	14	21	28
T	1 Promise Service @ 6:00 am	8	15	22	29
F	2 San Jose Worship Service @ 7:00 pm	9 Connecticut Worship Service @ 7:00 pm EST	16 Texas Worship Service @ 7:00 pm CST	23	30
S	3 Santa Maria Worship Service @ 5:00 pm	10	17 Las Vegas Worship Service @ 6:30 pm	24	31 Watch Night Service @ 11:00 pm

Conference Prayer Call-in #: 605 468 8004 Access Code: 240388# (for TOG on Mondays at 9:30 pm)

Las Vegas (Tuesdays)
8:00 pm – 8:30 pm

San Jose (Tuesdays)
9:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Texas (Wednesdays)
9:00 pm – 9:30 pm CST

Connecticut (Thursdays)
9:00 pm – 9:30 pm EST

USA & Israel (Thursdays)
9:30 pm – 10:00 pm

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THRONE OF GRACE MINISTRIES

Service & Location Information - DECEMBER 2022

IRVINE, CA

Worship Service:

Every 1st of the month – Promise Service

Every Sunday - 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Christmas Worship Service @ 11:00 am PST

Watch Night Worship Service @ 11:00 pm PST

Contact Pastor for Venue

LAS VEGAS, NV

Worship Service – 3rd Saturday – 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

No County Prayer this month

Trinity Life Center

1000 E St. Louis

Las Vegas NV 89104

INLAND EMPIRE, CA

Christmas Program Practice – 1st Sunday – 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Bible Study will not be held in month of December

Redeemer Lutheran Church

920 W 6th St

Ontario, CA 91762

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, CA

No Worship Service this month

No Bible Study this month

Life House Church

18355 Roscoe Blvd

Northridge, CA 91325

MANCHESTER, CT

Worship Service – 2nd Friday – 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM EST

No County Prayer this month

New River Community Church

314 Woodbridge St

Manchester, CT 06042

SAN JOSE, CA

Worship Service – 1st Friday – 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

No Bible Study this month

Church of the Living Rock

675 E Taylor Ave

Sunnyvale, CA 94085

SANTA MARIA, CA

Worship Service – 1st Saturday – 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

No Bible Study this month

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

4380 Orcutt Rd

Santa Maria, CA 93455

DALLAS, TX

Worship Service – 3rd Friday – 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM CST

St Paul Lutheran Church

6565 Independence Pkwy

Plano, TX 75023

Pastor Abraham K. Rajan & Sister Indira Rajan

Throne of Grace Ministries

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venue details @ www.throneofgrace.us

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CHILDREN & YOUTH

**Christmas
Program**



Combined Program by
INLAND EMPIRE, SAN FERNANDO VALLEY & IRVINE LOCATIONS

**11th
DEC
Sunday**

**4 PM
PST**



Light of Christ Lutheran Church

18182 culver Dr, Irvine, CA 92612





Christmas

WORSHIP SERVICE

11 AM PST

25th
DEC



Light of Christ Lutheran Church
(Fellowship Hall)
18182 Culver Dr, Irvine, CA 92612

SUNDAY

WORSHIP



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2023

WATCH NIGHT / NEWYEAR
WORSHIP SERVICE

31ST SATURDAY
DEC | 11 PM
PST



Light of Christ Lutheran Church | Fellowship Hall
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WORSHIP



WORD



TESTIMONY



COMMUNION

