

THE HEARTBEAT

Newsletter of Life Saver Ministries/ Christmas 2025

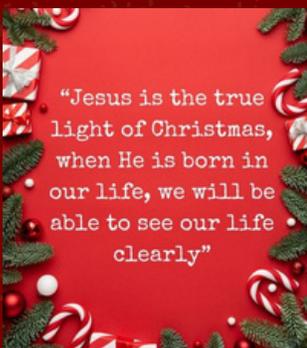


JOY TO THE WORLD

Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven, and nature
sing.

Joy to the world! the Saviour reigns;
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills,
and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as, the curse is found.
He rules the world with truth and
grace,

And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love.



The miracle of Christmas is one that I doubt any of us can fully appreciate on this side of heaven; further muddling the view of this indescribable scene of God's love incarnate is the manner in which we as humans have created a grandiose illusion Christmas magic that is nothing short of materialistic gluttony. This can be a very challenging season here at the ministry as both emotions and expectations are often running very high and we owe the families we serve the gift of pointing to the true meaning of Christmas in both word and deed as anything less is truly a cheapened and counterfeit version of the greatest Gift of all, the Baby in the manger. We do a great deal to provide ample opportunities for godly self development led by the Holy Spirit throughout the year and pray that God will move mightily in the hearts we are pouring into whether it be with encouragement, admonishment, tough love or simply walking alongside during the difficult stuff of life. We always pray that life will be better in the truest sense for the women and families we serve in the new year; please join us in praying for victory over addiction, depression, apathy, hopelessness, abuse, meaningless and empty relationships, and destructive patterns that are often generational in nature. Pray that true joy will be discovered and experienced, the joy that Christ brought to the world, the joy that caused both heaven and nature to sing. Friends, we are planted in an area that God has chosen for us that quite often affords us a view of lives that are nothing short of tragic and leave us feeling helpless to make a meaningful difference, quite honestly. Please pray that God will stir the souls, melt through the hurt and emotional armor, and lay open each and every heart that so desperately needs to see our own desperate condition as humans and the need for our Savior.

HOME AT LAST, FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

This Christmas will be especially meaningful to a local family who adopted their precious son out of foster care after a four and a half year journey that is the most amazingly beautiful love story only God could pen over the often tear stained pages of so many hearts. These are words that mom shared on adoption day: " We have no idea what the Lord has in store for us with foster care (because you never know until you do), but I do know that He has been SO GOOD in every season of it. I've watched families reunified, kids come to know Jesus, babies go from struggling to thriving, kids grow up and start their own families. I've watched our people show up again and again and again. I've seen Jesus in every corner of a very broken system, and that is undeniable." There is so much more to be said about this family and their journey, but we want to share with you that God is certainly at work through His people, through this modern day mission field of fostering and adopting and as we seek to be truly, wholly and deeply pro-life, it is impossible to ignore this massive need for quality foster families that each community across our state and nation is desperately in need of. Join us in celebrating this and other victories that God is so clearly bringing about through the willing hearts, hands and homes of His people.



Shown is the precious family on adoption day along with a packed courthouse of loved ones celebrating this beautiful and long awaited event! What an amazing testimony of God's people in action.

WISH LIST

BABY WASH

CHILDRENS SHAMPOO/BODY WASH

BABY WIPES

DIAPERS SIZE 3-6

INFANT FORMULA (GENTLE EASE IS IN HIGH DEMAND)

ADULT BODYWASH AND DEODORANT

HOUSEHOLD CLEANING SUPPLIES

TODDLER AND CHILDREN'S SOCKS

BOYS CLOTHING 3T-7/8



COMMITMENT TO PRAYER

Please join us in praying fervently for New York State; may we see true and meaningful change that provides course correction for the manner in which honor and dignity has been directed away from human life, away from family, away from faith & has carried us into places of darkness and despair. May God do more than we could ever ask or imagine here in New York & may God's people lead the way in this spiritual battle with so very much at stake. May God receive all honor & glory, bring beauty from the ashes, and life from death as only He can.



WINTER CAMP GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Each Winter we provide scholarships for Christian Winter Camp experiences for children and teens at both Sacandaga Bible Conference and Word of Life; these opportunities are especially meaningful as it provides a chance for the embers of faith to be reawakened as many of these young people have attended Christian summer camp but often come from families that are not believers nor supportive of their faith. In other cases, it is a chance that families would simply not be able to provide to their children if we didn't make the scholarships available; in any case, this is so important to the young people we serve as we know that their lives have great value and we have a great responsibility to point the to the truth and hope that comes through Christ alone. Would you consider giving toward this important part of our ministry as we seek to truly break cycles of generational bondage and know that the souls of these young people hold the key to that as allowing Christ to enter their hearts and lives is the only hope and greatest gift they will ever receive. Price per person ranges from \$95 (SBC) to \$195 (WOL) for this camp experience. Giving may be in the form of check payable to Life Saver Ministries., PO Box 407, Gloversville, NY 12078 or on our supporter website, earmarked Winter Camp, at lifesaverheartbeat.com.



A HEARTBFELT THANK YOU TO SO MANY WHO GIVE BOTH DURING THIS SEASON AND THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. ONE GROUP, IN PARTICULAR, PINE TREE RIFLE CLUB, HAS FAITHFULLY SUPPORTED OUR WORK FOR YEARS AND THEIR GENEROSITY CONTINUES TO BLESS THE FAMILIES WE SERVE. THANK YOU TO SO MANY GENEROUS HEARTS WHO BELIEVE IN THIS WORK AND HEARTILY INVEST IN IT. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR YOU ALL!

When asked how our ministry and programs are funded, the answer is often met with surprise as it is 100% funded through churches and private donors. Praise God for sustaining Life Saver Ministries for over 40 years as churches place us in their domestic missions budget and people feel compelled to give to this life affirming work that is so desperately needed, especially here in New York State. We welcome you to consider a year end gift of any amount or perhaps monthly giving by way of check payable to life saver ministries, PO Box 407, Gloversville NY 12078 or on our supporter website, lifesaverheartbeat.com where you are able to set up monthly recurring donations. We remain grateful for God's continued provision and know that He will provide us with what is needed to minister as He calls us to.

Thank you for your prayerful and steadfast support!