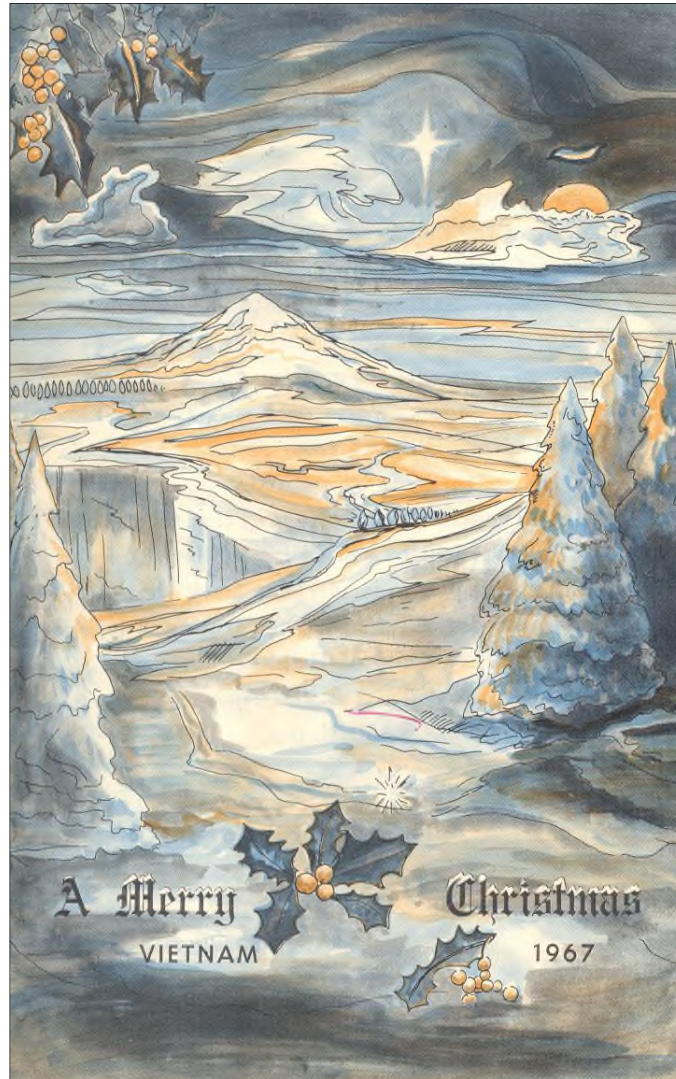


Christmas Dinner Menus, Saigon, 1967 & 1968

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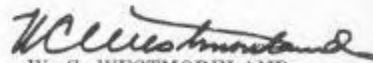


Christmas Message from General Westmoreland – 1967

Commander's Message

Throughout the Christian world, the Christmas season is a time of joy and spiritual inspiration. Despite separation from our families and the hardships imposed by war, those of us in Vietnam will still share the traditional Christmas spirit this year. We can enjoy the spiritual satisfaction that comes from giving. As fighting representatives of the Free World, our gift is the help we give the Vietnamese people to secure their independence, their individual safety, and their future freedom. Each of you gives a part of this gift and deserves the satisfaction of having increased the happiness of others—the true Christmas spirit.

My best wishes to each of you and your families for the Christmas season. May you enjoy good fortune during the coming year.



W. C. WESTMORELAND
General, U.S. Army
Commanding

Christmas Message from MGEN O'Connor - 1967

Today, Christmas Day 1967, finds each of you thousands of miles from your homes and your loved ones. You and your families are meeting the challenge to continue the heritage of freedom that began with the opening shot of the Revolution. It is within the best of our American tradition that the common possession known as human dignity be respected. "A decent respect to the opinion of mankind" was entered as a cardinal principle in the great American Declaration of Independence which charted a course to justice and a hope for peace. On this day may each say as the Angels of old sang, "Glory to God in the highest, and in earth peace among men of good will."

I pray this may be a blessed Christmas for each of you and that on Christmas Day 1968, all of you will again be with your families.

G. G. O'Connor
G. G. O'CONNOR
Major General, USA
Commanding

Christmas - 1968



Prayer for Christmas - 1968

Prayer for Christmas

Our Father in Heaven, we give thee thanks for the gift of thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, the Prince of Peace and Lord of Life. May thy gift of Bethlehem, announced by the Angelic Chorus, be born again in our hearts this day. Help us to know and experience the meaning and blessedness of their message: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men." Remove from us fear and hate and help us to know by faith thy peace which passes all understanding. We pray that the spirit of Christmas will be shared by our loved ones. With them help us to ponder, like Mary, the deep mystery of Christmas. May the truth and love which the Holy Child of Bethlehem brought to earth abide in our lives. In His name receive our praise and thanks. AMEN

Christmas Menu - 1968

Christmas Day Dinner

Shrimp Cocktail

Crackers

Roast Turkey

Turkey Gravy

Cornbread Dressing

Cranberry Sauce

Mashed Potatoes

Glazed Sweet Potatoes

Buttered Mixed Vegetables

Assorted Crisp Relishes

Hot Rolls

Butter

Fruit Cake

Mincemeat Pie

Pumpkin Pie w/Whipped Topping

Assorted Fresh Fruits

Tea w/Lemon

Milk

Assorted Nuts and Candy