

# Ministry Update

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# REASONS FOR THE SEASON!

In Luke 2:8-14 we see how the herald angel explained the true reasons for the season to the terrified shepherds in the

fields outside of Bethlehem. In verse ten of the narrative he told them first that there was **NO REASON FOR FEAR.** 10 "And the angel said unto them, Fear not:" My father said that he once read something interesting in an article written in our local newspaper by a well known psychologist. It stated that for a person to be truly "normal" three things must be true about them. They are not ashamed of the past. They are not, anxious

about the present. And they are not apprehensive about the future. If that is the case, then Christians are the most normal people alive. We need not be ashamed of our past because it is forgiven by God at our salvation. (Col. 1:14, Eph. 4:32) We do not have to be



anxious about the present because our Lord is with us always (Isa. 41:10, Heb. 13:5) And we need not be aprehensive about the future because our God has promised to be our supply. (Phil. 4:19, Matt. 6:34) The angel then told the shepherds that there was a NEW REASON FOR JOY! v.10-11 "behold, I bring you



good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." He told them of a personal Savior, who had come to save them. v.11 "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." (Matt. 1:21, Luke 1:46&47) And he told them of the Salvation that this Savior would bring to all who would receive Him. v.14 "Glory to God"

in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." (Rom. 10:9-10, Acts 4:12) The angel then declared that there

was NOW REASON FOR WITNESS! v. 10 "I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." (Luke 2:17-**18)** There was **Good News** that everyone should know about. They were encouraged to Go Tell! And finally, the herald angel proclaimed that there was NEAR REASON FOR ACTION! 11 "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. 12 And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." There they would find Him, just across the fields! They could go and see Him NOW! The shepherds were impressed that they should Give their lives to an Eternal God, (Rom. 12:1&2) and to Live their Lives for an Eternal Goal! (Matt. 6:33, Titus 2:11-14) While the world focuses on the gods of materialism and commercialism may we all heed the words of the herald angel. Follow the example of the shepherds, and Come, Let us Adore Him!

#### **ITINERARY**

2024

Dec. 21-29 - Regeneration Reservation, Ft. Thomas, AZ

## <u>OPEN DATES</u>

2025

Jan. 19 - SUN only - South Carolina

Mar. 9 – Apr. 11 – Texas, New Mexico and Arizona

May 11-16, May 25-30 - Southern and Central California

Aug. 3-8, Aug. 11-16, Aug. 25-30 - Southern and Central CA

Aug. 31 Sept. 3 – Central California or Idaho

Oct. – Utah, Colorado, Kansas, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan

Nov. - Illinois, Tennessee, Georgia, Carolinas, Michigan

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

- Safety in travel.
- A full schedule for 2025.
- Good health.
- More souls for Jesus!



Yours for Souls.

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