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This Christmas Holiday edition of the Founder, James Davis EML "**DODR POST"** Newsletter, celebrates God's "Door To Reconciliation."

God has a **door** to **reconciliation** that we must be passionately thankful for. At His initiative and because of His infinite love, God exchanges the broken relationship with humans for a restored relationship through Christ's death on the cross. We were too far away from God. In His mercy, He didn't leave us there! He offers us **restoration** with Himself (see 2 Corinthians 5:19, KJV).

Dur justice is fulfilled because God gave us Jesus, who had no sin, to be sin for us. In Him we can be at peace with God (v21). This Jesus, this only Son of God, is the **One** whose birthday we celebrate! Santa Claus nor Saint Nicholas are able to not leave us in a place of no hope, separated from our Father forever. It's Jesus whom God gave as sacrifice. Jesus provides the "door" for us to be reconciled <u>back</u> to <u>God</u>. **Happy Birthday Jesus**. Merry Christmas to all. WE STILL BELIEVE IN JESUS!

"WHERE GOD GUIDES, GOD WILL PROVIDE!"

THE DOOR POST SCRIPTURE:

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf." (Hebrews 6:19-20 NIV).





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The **Door to Reconciliation**: comes from God! Our Father shares us Jesus. Our believed Gospel is about Jesus, who is endowed with the power to penetrate the darkness that exist when we are separated from God. Once we open God's bloody door handle leading back to reconciliation; we're given the important task of bringing this powerful message of the Gospel to others.

Witness By HOLY Living: We witness by our Holy Living the amazing loving God who offers complete forgiveness and restoration to everyone who believes. Our faith grows because we have found the promise of (John 1:5 NIV) to be true: "*The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.*"

We Don't HAVE To Give In: To discouragement or resentment. We have in the Gospel Jesus' Words of comfort: "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33b NIV). Plus we have a Helper— the Holy Ghost that Jesus promised to send. The "power" of God's presence can hold us steady in these dark Christmas Holiday times, when the world celebrates everything and everyone else other than the birth of Jesus! **Christmas**? It's about Jesus' birth.



Scriptures: "To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him" (2 Corinthians 5:19; 21 KJV).

"Christmas is all About Jesus' Birthday!"

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PRAISE AND WORSHIP

KINGDOM BUILDER TIPS: "Door To Reconciliation"

Pastor Eugene Collins, III

- Blessed Means What?
 It's not being "lucky" or "fortunate." It's real meaning is closer to our word blissful or a state of enraptured happiness—Joy (Ephesians 1:3; 2 Corinthians 4:17).
- How Blessed: We are! We don't cling to the promise that somehow, at some time or in some way God would one day be with us. He doesn't appear as a remote guiding presence or an awesome spirit filling the temple, but He's with us personally.
- Christmas Glory: is not a play; it's the precious truth that God desires to draw near to His sinful creation, to bind Himself to us irrevocably and forever.
- We Are Precious: to God. We are the beneficiaries of grace, mercy, love and joy.

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"I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am." (John 14:3 NIV) . Christmas Eve Blessings!

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GIVER OF GOOD GIFTS!

"Grace A Precious Gift!" The fact that there is something more profoundly merciful, gracious, and loving that He desires to be with us is not found in us. It is found in Immanuel God with us We are simply beneficiaries. The things we least deserve from Him is the things He offers. **Devalued Celebrations:** So many things conspire to devalue our Christmas Celebrations, and the human choruses here on earth often drown out it's heavenly message. Yet, Immanuel (God with us) was born to remove the barriers between God and us. He wants to be with us! The humiliation He might have to endure, whatever rejection He might receive, whatever pain He would have to bear would not be too much of a price to pay to be with us forever (Philippians 2:5-8). Why He wants to

reconcile us back to God is too great of a mystery to explain here. The answer lies in the nature of His merciful, loving being. Nonetheless He wants to be with us is undeniable. What does this mean? It means there is far more to celebrate than we thought or are lead to believe by commercials, media, TV, and merchants. The birthday that began with great hope, joy, peace and love has deteriorated to the point where many find it difficult to speak the name Jesus. This Christmas: as you savor our candy canes first created in Cologne, Germany; admire our poinsettias from Mexico; Say "merci beaucoup" to the French for the term noel, and give cheers to the English for our **mistletoe** — let's a sincere heartfelt Sav Thank You to our Door Jesus.

THINK IMAGE: "God With Us"

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Remember: "THE REAL REASON FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON."

LIGHT AND JOY CAME TO THE WORLD!

"It had always been God over us, God above us, God before us, God on the mountain, God in the temple, God in the cloud. But never before had it been 'God with us'." He actually, physically, lived among us for thirty-three years. He didn't cloister himself safely away during those years. He approached lepers with a touch, healed the blind, sick and with compassion fed the hungry.

Ponder This Image! Imagine our sorrowful destiny if the life of Christ had ended with these words, "And God left His creation, which had rejected Him and put Him to death, never to come again." The thought of such a thing is the stuff of nightmares, not **Christmas**.



Praise And Worship's Christmas Choir

GRATITUDE:

Remember chattering about what we wanted for Christmas — <u>lots and lots</u> of stuff. We tried to figure out how to con our givers into thinking we had been good. It's always good to show gratitude to the **Giver**! Appreciate the Giver



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