

## FROM THIS VIEW

WILMORE FREE METHODIST YOUTH MINISTRY

**FAITHFUL TO HIS PROMISES...JOY** Pastor Andrea

*And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord". Luke 2:8-11*

When I read these words, I cannot help but hear my Uncle Wayne's strong gentle voice. It seems to me that my Uncle Wayne read this passage every year in our small country church Christmas program. I would imagine what it must have been like for shepherds to experience such a grand unveiling of the Good News of Jesus. Years ago, I visited Bethlehem. It was early January, so the famous Bethlehem square was still decorated for Christmas, with a giant tree in the center. We went to a place called Shepherd's Field. I was struck by the wonder of such an announcement in such an ordinary place to such ordinary people. Don't misunderstand, I put myself in the "ordinary" people category, too!

As I think about the Christmas programs of my childhood and my trip to Bethlehem, I am reminded again of the giddy feelings that rise up in me when I read these words from Luke 2. "Good tidings of great joy..." The wonder of a Savior born as a baby. The wonder of a Savior growing from boy to man. The wonder of a Savior teaching, healing, and setting people free. The wonder of a Savior facing cruelty and hatred. The Wonder of Savior obedient to death, even death on a cross (Philippians 2:8). And the wonder of a Savior Risen and coming again!

I suppose these wonders seem strange, distant, and maybe even impossible to some people. But to me, these are the wonders of my Savior. Having met Jesus, I cannot help but to be filled with great Joy!



**WFMY Ski Retreat**

Put it on the calendar!!  
January 22-24, 2021  
Details coming soon!



**WfMy Christmas Party**

DECEMBER 16, 2020 @ 7PM BLDG C  
WEAR YOUR BEST CHRISTMAS SWEATER &  
BRING AN UNWRAPPED GIFT FOR THVC OR AN OFFERING FOR ALFRED. SNACKS PROVIDED.

**\*\*WEAR YOUR MASK (EXTRA POINTS FOR TACKY MASKS!!)\*\***

Ideas for gifts for Thomson-Hood Residents: cards, soft candies, mints, puzzle books, tissues, socks, lotion, etc.

Thank you for giving!!

**Advent with the Bible Project**

<https://youtu.be/qvOhQTuD2e0>

**Schedule Updates**

- **Bible Quiz Practice:** Wednesday 5-6:30pm
- **WFMY:** Wednesday 7pm in Bldg C (see details above)
- **Virtual Cafe & Youth Prayer Breakfast:** Friday, December 18th 8:30-noon
- **Youth Bible Fellowship:** Three week Sabbatical, Return 1/10/21

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