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**Christ the
Savior is born**

REASON FOR THE SEASON

David Aiken

People say the Christmas season is upon us and I see shoppers, stores full of merchandise, excited children, and worried merchants. I also see cities, schools, and government buildings banning nativity scenes. Everywhere we see Santa, Elfs, and even a Grinch, but there is also big effort to push Christ out of Christmas. Some worry that the mention of Christ might offend someone, but I realize that the greatest event in all history happened two thousand years ago in a very crowded little town in Judea when God sent his only begotten son to be born of woman. That first cry of the infant Jesus was followed immediately by the dispatch of the angel of the Lord to the shepherds on the hillside proclaiming the message: **FEAR NOT, FOR BEHOLD, I BRING GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY WHICH SHALL BE TO ALL PEOPLE, FOR UNTO YOU IS BORN THIS DAY A SAVIOR WHICH IS CHRIST THE LORD.** All that we could ever say or write will always be insignificant to that first Christmas message. I wish each of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Merry Christmas

*from all of us at COACB
to you and your families*

ADVANTAGES OF GIVING

There are many Biblical reasons to give. First, there are some that give in secret. Money is often sent with no name, explanation, or return address. Sometimes money is delivered by persons who simply state that this is between them and the Lord. They will be repaid. (Matthew 6:4 That thine alms may be in secret: and thy father which seeth in secret shall himself reward thee openly.)

Second, there are also the tangible financial benefits for giving. (Luke 6:38 Give and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over shall men give unto your bosom. For with the same measure ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.)

Several things can be done in December that can result in real savings on your income taxes. Almost anything of value can be donated to a not-for-profit organization. The organization accepting the item must establish an appraised value and issue appropriate receipt to the donor.

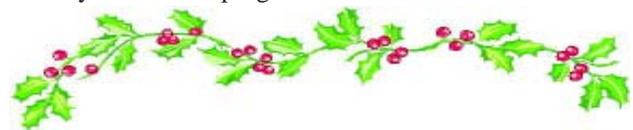
Sometimes the tax advantages for donating can be very favorable, especially if it moves you to a lower tax bracket. The donation of stock is one place it is often possible to claim a large advantage.

The IRS recognizes the donation credit for stock as the total value of the stock on the day it is donated. Let us say that you bought \$100 of stock in 1996. The stock split four times and it is now valued at \$3600. If you sell it you must pay capital gains on the \$3500 it appreciated, but if you donate the stock to a non-profit organization there is no capital gains, you receive a donation credit for donating the total \$3600, and you greatly benefit the organization you donated it to. The COACB is recognized by the IRS as a type 501(c)3 organization and donations to it are tax deductible.

Third, and most important, the result of your giving is being used to reach your community with the gospel, helping to change the lives and destination of men and women, boys and girls. (Proverbs 11:30 The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life: and he that winneth souls is wise.)

WATCH COACB STATIONS ONLINE

Out of range of our stations? Don't fret, three of the four COACB program streams are available online. Simply go to www.coacb.org and choose the stream you wish to watch. Anywhere there is a high speed connection to the internet, you can use your computer to watch your favorite program on the COACB stations



COACB VOLUNTEERS



Paul Walter

Paul puts in many hours every month at the COACB doing anything from producing programs to co-hosting Prayer Line. Paul is always ready to volunteer and take on any challenge. Thank you Paul for being the COACB volunteer of the month.



*Prayerline
numbers*

(800) 852-8199

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Post Your Prayer
Request:

www.coacb.org/prayer



TRY THESE RESCIPES

COCONUT PINEAPPLE PIE

THELMA AIKEN

1 cup sugar; 3 tablespoons flour; 1 cup light corn syrup; 1 cup flaked coconut; 1 can (8 oz.) crushed undrained pineapple; 3 eggs beaten; 1 teaspoon vanilla; 1 unbaked (9 in.) pastry shell; ¼ cup butter or margarine melted.

In a bowl combine sugar and flour; add coconut, corn syrup, pineapple, eggs and vanilla. Mix well. Pour into pastry shell and drizzle with melted butter. Bake in 350 degree oven for 50 to 55 minutes or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean. Cover loosely with foil if the top browns too quickly. Cool on wire rack. Chill before cutting.

ROADHOUSE POTATOES

BARBARA AULT

3 cups half and half cream; 1/2 cup butter; 1 teaspoon salt; 2 pounds frozen hash browns (thawed); 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese

Heat cream and butter. Add salt. Place potatoes in flat greased glass 9 x 12 inch dish. Pour cream mixture over potatoes. Sprinkle cheese on top. Bake at 325 degrees for 1 hour.

HOLIDAY BREAD

ART DODGE

2 cups all purpose flour; 1 cup sugar; 3 cups crushed bananas; 1 cup maraschino cherries; 1 cup chopped nuts; 1/4 cup butter or margarine; 2 eggs, well beaten; 1 teaspoon soda; 2 cups chocolate chips

Mix ingredients and place into a greased pan. Bake 375 degrees for 30 minutes or until knife comes out dry.

STORIES FROM MY RELATIVES

John Hoffman

And then there's the story of KNIGHTS of OLD. Many years ago in England the Knights had huge St. Bernard Dogs. The dogs were so large that the smallest Knights could ride on them. They always took the dog along when on patrol. Well, it so happens the only remaining dog was quite ill and had been throwing up most of the day. The Knight was all ready for his midnight patrol, but the caretaker, who happened to be my distant relative, Uncle Sir Watter Noggin, looked and examined the dog again, then said, "I'm sorry, but I won't send a Knight out on a dog like this."

GOT DISH ??

DAVID AIKEN

Daily the COACB receives calls from people who have purchased Dish then realize the COACB stations are not on satellite. Relax, the solution is very simple. Simply add an indoor or outdoor antenna.

An amplified indoor antenna will usually allow you to pick up 12 local channels and a good outdoor antenna with a preamp will usually get you 30 local channels, I have an outside antenna and rotor so I get 49 local channels. These including the COACB channels.

Realizing the great number of local channels available, Dish network has a plan where you can upgrade your satellite receiver to HD and get Dish HD channels for free - for life. The upgrade is free for people who will extend their contract with Dish for two years and these Dish HD receivers also have a TV antenna input. If you connect a good outdoor antenna and instruct the receiver to scan for local HD stations, it finds your local channels and adds them to your program guide. People are really surprised when they learn that they can receive 30 additional local channels for free.

All of our COACB stations identify themselves as virtual channel 39, so viewers only have to punch in 39 to receive COACB stations right along with the regular satellite programs.

Even a \$10.00 amplified indoor antenna available at BIG LOTS usually will pick up 12 local channels including your COACB channels.



COACB NEWSLETTERS ONLINE

Every newsletter published by the COACB since November 1998 is now available online. Simply go online to download a copy of any newsletter. Go to www.coacb.org and choose Newsletters. You will then be presented with a list of all newsletters available.

ORANGE PUNCH

BETTY SYCK

Mix in punch bowl: 2 large cans Hi-C – orange drink; 2 quarts gingerale; 2 quarts 7-up; 2½ quarts orange sherbert. Stir and serve.

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NEED AN OUTING FOR YOUR GROUP???



To schedule a free tour of any of our COACB stations, please call:
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Got a suggestion for the COACB call:
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