



# T.E.A.M. VOICE

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS



### The Birth of Jesus (Luke 2:1-20 NIV)

**2** In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. <sup>2</sup> (This was the first census that took place while<sup>[a]</sup> Quirinius was governor of Syria.) <sup>3</sup> And everyone went to their own town to register.

<sup>4</sup> So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. <sup>5</sup> He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. <sup>6</sup> While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, <sup>7</sup> and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

<sup>8</sup> And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. <sup>9</sup> An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup> But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. <sup>11</sup> Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup> This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.” <sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel,

praising God and saying,

<sup>14</sup> “Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

<sup>15</sup> When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

<sup>16</sup> So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup> When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, <sup>18</sup> and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. <sup>19</sup> But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup> The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%202&version=NIV>

Amber Beckman (OH)

### **Mary, Did You Know?**

#### Lyrics

Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
Would one day walk on water?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
Would save our sons and daughters?

Did you know that your baby boy  
Has come to make you new?

This child that you delivered, will soon deliver you

Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
Will give sight to a blind man?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy  
Will calm the storm with his hand?

Did you know that your baby boy  
Has walked where angels trod?

When you kiss your little baby  
You kiss the face of God

Mary, did you know?

Mary, did you know?

Mary, did you know? Did you know?

Mary, did you know? Mary, did you know?

Mary, did you know? Mary, did you know?

Mary, did you know? Mary, did you know?

The blind will see, the deaf will hear

The dead will live again

The lame will leap, the dumb will speak

The praises of the Lamb

Mary, did you know that your baby boy

Is Lord of all creation?

Mary, did you know that your baby boy

Would one day rule the nations?  
Did you know that your baby boy  
Is heaven's perfect Lamb?  
That sleeping child you're holding is the great, I Am  
Mary, did you know? (Mary, did you know?)  
Mary, did you know? (Mary, did you know?)  
Mary, did you know? Oh  
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### **As a Born Again Believer in Jesus, Who Are You?**

#### God says you are;

God's child - John 1:12 New American Standard Bible But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name,

Christ's friend - John 15:14-15 Amplified Bible You are my friends if you keep on doing what I command you. 15 I do not call you servants any longer, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you [My] friends, because I have revealed to you everything that I have heard from My Father.

A member of Christ's body - 1 Corinthians 12:27 Amplified Bible Now you [collectively] are Christ's body, and individually [you are] members of it [each with his own special purpose and function].

A saint - Jude 3 New King James Version Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.

Redeemed and forgiven - Colossians 1:14 New King James Version in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

Complete in Christ, lacking in nothing - Colossians 2:10 Amplified Bible And in Him you have been made complete [achieving spiritual stature through Christ], and He is the head over all rule and authority [of every angelic and earthly power].

Free from condemnation - Romans 8:1-2 Amplified Bible Therefore there is now no condemnation [no guilty verdict, no punishment] for those who are in Christ Jesus [who believe in Him as personal Lord and Savior]. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life [which is] in Christ Jesus [the law of our new being] has set you free from the law of sin and of death.

God's coworker - 2 Corinthians 6:1 New American Standard Bible And working together with Him, we also urge you not to receive the grace of God in vain—

Seated with Jesus in the heavenly realm - Ephesians 2:6 New American Standard Bible and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

God's workmanship - Ephesians 2:10 New American Standard Bible For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

A citizen of heaven - Philippians 3:20 New American Standard Bible For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;

Adopted into God's family - Ephesians 1:5 Complete Jewish Bible He determined in advance that through Yeshua the Messiah we would be his sons — in keeping with his pleasure and purpose —

Born of God and the evil one cannot touch you - 1 John 5:18 Complete Jewish Bible We know that everyone who has God as his Father does not go on sinning; on the contrary, the Son born of God protects him, and the Evil One does not touch him.

Merry Christmas! With His birth, we have much to be thankful for.

Always looking up- George Tamburino (NY)

### **“BORN AGAIN”**

In John 3:3-4 Jesus says to Nicodemus, “Unless a person is born again from above, he cannot see the kingdom of god”.

Now, I understand, as most believers should, that the being ‘born again’ means to go through a spiritual change inside which should produce a change in attitude and how you act towards others and thought that this would be a new concept to Nicodemus and other Jews.

Nicodemus responded, “How can a grown man be born? Can he go back into his mother's womb and be born a second time?”(CJB)

But, since he was a senior citizen he had already met four of the pharisaic requirements to be born again. There were six ways that one could be born again in pharisaic Judaism. Nicodemus was already qualified in four of those ways and the other two would have been impossible for him to fulfill because he wasn't born a gentile or crowned a king.

The four ways that the term born again came into play are as follows; When a Jewish boy becomes a man and gets a bar mitzvah at 13. When a Jewish man is married, and a Sanhedrin which he was, had to be married. When ordained as a rabbi, and since Jesus called Nicodemus a teacher which means rabbi he was, and the final way was to become the head of a rabbinical school. In John 3:10 Jesus said to Nicodemus that he held the office of teacher in Israel which meant he was already head of a rabbinical school.

So, the term born again was not new to Nicodemus just the new application the coming of Jesus, the Messiah, made of it. To repent of your sins, to believe that Jesus is the risen Son of God, and change your life to try and follow God's precepts.

John 1:12-13

New American Standard Bible

12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name, 13 who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of a man, but of God.

Always looking up-,George Tamburino (NY)

### **America; a Bible Believing Nation.**

The Bible and America both enjoy unprecedented success. The Bible is the bestselling book of all time. It has sold hundreds of millions of copies worldwide and has been the bestselling book in America for centuries. No other book is comparable. Similarly, America is unrivaled in its success. Born in 1776 with the Declaration of Independence she has had only one form of government since the US constitution was ratified in 1789. Neither our closest allies nor our fiercest enemies have experienced this stability with which we have been blessed. The accomplishments of both America and the Bible are unmatched but not unrelated, for the bible was the key factor in America's success, of facts largely unknown today, but widely acknowledged by national leaders throughout American history.

For example; "In the formative days of the Republic the directing influence of the Bible exercise upon the fathers of the nation is conspicuously evident. This book continues to hold its unchallenged place as the most loved, the most quoted, and the most universally read and pondered of all the volumes which our libraries contained. We cannot read the history of our rise and development as a nation without reckoning with the place the Bible has occupied and shaping the advances of the Republic. I suggest the nationwide reading of the holy scriptures. For a renewed and strengthening contact with those eternal truths and majestic principles which have inspired such measure the true greatness as this nation has achieved".

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt

America's commitment to the Bible was unwavering and was demonstrated in many ways, one of which was evident at the conclusion of the American Revolution. With the victory at the battle of Yorktown, America was finally free from British policies, including the long standing one against printing the bible in English in America. Consequently in 1781 the plan was advanced in congress to print America's first English language bible. On September 12, 1782 the full Congress approved that Bible and it soon began rolling off the presses. Printed in the front of the Bible is a congressional endorsement declaring in part, 'resolved that the United states in Congress assembled recommend this addition of the Bible to the inhabitants of the United states'.

One early historian observed; Who will call into question the assertion that this is a Bible nation? Who will charge the government with indifference to religion when the first Congress of the states assumed all the rights and performed all the duties of a Bible society long before such an institution had an existence in the world. (From David Barton's The Founder's Bible)

Noah Webster, the "schoolmaster of the republic," said that "education is useless without the Bible. The Bible was America's basic textbook in all fields." One could only hope and pray that our legislators today and in the future would be guided by adherence to biblical principles.

Always looking up,  
George Tamburino (NY)

### **EDITORS NOTE**

Today I am thinking about a Christmas of long ago. I was 8 years old and my mother and I had just moved back to Columbus after living in Florida for 3 months. We were living in what was considered to be the bad side of town. She was single and trying to raise me on her own. My father did not help her and she was always working 2 jobs and could never get ahead no matter how hard she tried. At that time I was going to church through a bus ministry. I had shared with the bus leader how hard things were for us. The bus pastor came to our apartment and brought us food and a whole lot of presents. One of the presents was a beautiful ring that had many layers and a different colored stone for each layer. I have never forgotten that ring or that Christmas. There have been some hard Christmases since that time and some more than I could ever ask for Christmases. As you can see Jesus remembered a single mother and her daughter on that day through a very caring bus minister. I committed my life to Christ on that bus and Jesus has never let me down. He carried my mom to heaven and prepared a table for her. She is happy and healthy and walking on streets of gold. Christmas is about Christ and miracles are still happening. Thank you Lord for the gift of your son!!!!



**EVERYDAY IN EVERYWAY!!!!!!!!!!**

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# Covered Bridge Benefit Ride

Quentin Dubose, Leukemia & Riley Shepherd, Accident



## May 4, 2024 in Preble County

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Nazarene

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# December 2023 Voice Newsletter Report

## November 30, 2023

### Years of Service for November

Peter	Wong	33
Linda	Guidi-Wong	2
Sean	Campion	2
Jacqueline	Campion	2
Ralph	Bainbridge	24
Barbara	Bainbridge	24
Kenneth	Hedden	22
Geralyn	Hedden	22

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### December Birthdays

Barbara	Bainbridge	12/5
Gary	Decker	12/8
Charles	Moore Jr	12/8
Eric	Gilbert	12/11
Robin	Stauffer	12/15
Elaine	Walde	12/20
Theresa	Bankert	12/28

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### December Anniversaries

Gary and Kathleen	Matson	12/7
George and Janis	Partridge	12/12
Nathan	Brubaker	12/14
Gary and Charlene	Decker	12/18
George and Robin	Tamburino	12/24

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### New members for November

None to Report

**God Bless**

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