

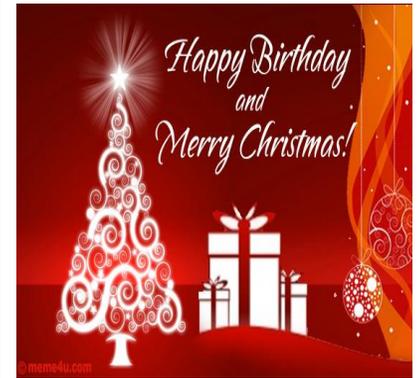
Merry Christmas!

2015 DECEMBER							SUNDAY FIRST DAY OF WEEK
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
29	30	01	02	03 Food Day 1	04 Christmas Party 10:00-12:00	05	
06	07	08	09	10	11	12	
13	14	15 Assemble Christmas Boxes 9:00	16	17 Food Day 2	18	19	
20	21	22	23	24 Holiday Office Closed	25 Holiday Office Closed	26	
27	28	29	30	31 Holiday Office Closed	01	02	



Birthdays of the Month

- Bro. David Martin- Dec 6**
- Maggie Jones - Dec 6**
- Gladys Riley - Dec 8**
- Rosia Hogue- Dec 14**
- Jane Barr - Dec 17**
- Lessie Jamerson- Dec 29**



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This is a little contest my Dad would give us children every Christmas... Get out your pencils and a couple of sheets of paper (it's going to take it!). Now... see how many words you can correctly spell from the two words - **MERRY CHRISTMAS**. You will be amazed! Let's see how many you can find.

Stretch your Retirement Dollars

Everyone loves a good bargain and we all want to stretch our dollars. But for seniors, one of the perks to getting older is a host of special discounts start to open up just for you. Starting as early as the age of 50 (coincidentally, the same age that people can first qualify for membership in AARP), discounts for great things like shopping, dining, groceries, travel and entertainment start to become available. To take advantage of these discounts, it is important to know where to look and when to ask for them.

One of the secrets to enjoying your senior years is to take advantage of discounts wherever you find them! With so many of them out there, seniors have a real opportunity to stretch their dollars and get the most for their money. So get out there and have a great meal and take in a movie; do some shopping and grab your groceries; book a getaway at a fine hotel and maybe visit a National Park; or maybe it's time to replace your cellphone so you can stay in touch with your grandkids, and maybe surprise them by text messaging them a "selfie."

Senior living is all about being active and enjoying yourself. The best way to go about it is to stretch your dollars - so grab those discounts!

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Holiday Roll-Ups

Ingredients

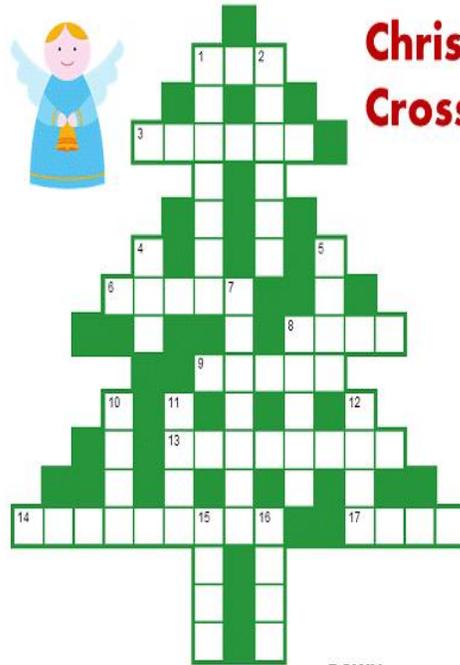
- 8 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 2 Tbs. black olives, chopped
- 3 green onions, chopped
- 2 Tbs. pimentos, chopped
- 2 Tbs. sweet and hot jalapeños, chopped
- 1/2 cup cheese, grated
- 4 oz. ham, chopped
- 8 burrito-sized tortillas

Directions

In a small bowl, mix all ingredients together, except tortillas. Spread mixture on tortillas. Roll up and refrigerate for at least 1 hour. Slice with a serrated knife when cold.



Christmas Crossword



DOWN

1. Alternative word to 17 across
2. Christmas drink
4. Christmas dinner centerpiece
5. Dec. holiday
7. Christmas warmer
8. "Jingle ____"
10. Christmas tree
11. O. Henry's "The Gift of the ____"
12. What carolers do
15. French Christmas.
16. Snow glider

ACROSS

1. Pumpkin or mincemeat
3. Santa's ride
6. Celebration
8. Newborn
9. Northpole crew
13. Word of praise
14. Words on a Christmas card
17. It's opened on Christmas



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From the desk of Bro. David Martin...

The World's Greatest Gift!

Some of you may well remember a very special gift you received as a child that you cherished above any other. I hasten to say that for many of you there was very little received in the way of toys or clothing; it may have been fruit and candy, but you were glad to get that.

One of my most memorable gifts was a bright red scooter, which I received in 1945. My brother received a green one and I was "green with envy" when I deemed his to be better than mine. We managed to "scoot around" with great delight.

Most of what we give and receive at this season of the year are perishable things, "stuff" that won't last: material and temporal gifts that will rust and corrode and wear out. Jesus warned us about the fact that these things are not lasting.

But there is one lasting gift, indeed, an everlasting; an eternal gift. This gift is spoken of in John 3:16. Read also Romans 6:23, Ephesians 2:8-16, and Second Corinthians 9:15. What an incomparable gift!

This gift is one offered, that we with our free will can be either received or rejected. Many of us received joyfully and thankfully this "indescribable" gift, most have rejected such a gift. Imagine anyone freely receiving the World's Greatest Gift!

My strongest conviction is that had mankind taken this gift, the world would be not a perfect world, but a world free from the hatred and hostility, the anger and animosity, the worst and wickedness we are experiencing today.

Christmas is about Christ! He's the Perfect Gift. Receive Him with open arms and hearts!

10 Essential Questions to Ask Your Aging Parents

Whether an unexpected illness leads to a hospitalization or a fall requires rehabilitation at a nursing home, it's vital that your parents or loved ones have their essential legal documents in order so that you have a good picture of their state of affairs.

Are you prepared to handle difficult decisions on behalf of your aging parent? Do you know what legal planning you should have in place? You can't predict when something might happen to your aging parent, so preparation will help in making legal and medical decisions for your loved one. Here are 10 questions to ask your senior parent or loved one to make sure your family is prepared for the unexpected.

1. Do You Have a Durable Power of Attorney?
2. What Are Your End-of-Life Wishes?
3. Do You Have a Will or Living Trust?
4. Do You Have Long-Term Care Insurance or Another Plan in Case Long-Term Care is Required?
5. Have You Made Sure That These Documents Are Current?
6. Where Can I Find These Documents If I Ever Need Them?
7. Is Someone Advising You on Financial Matters?
8. If You Can No Longer Take Care of Yourself, Have You Thought About Where You'd Prefer Living?
9. Do You Visit the Doctor Regularly?
10. Do You Feel Like You Understand Why You Are Taking the Medicines You've Been Prescribed?

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Politically Correct Santa

'Twas the night before Christmas and Santa's a wreck...
How to live in a world that's politically correct?
His workers no longer would answer to "Elves",
"Vertically Challenged" they were calling themselves.

And labor conditions at the North Pole
Were alleged by the union to stifle the soul.
Four reindeer had vanished, without much propriety,
Released to the wilds by the Humane Society.

And equal employment had made it quite clear
That Santa had better not use just reindeer.
So Dancer and Donner, Comet and Cupid,
Were replaced with 4 pigs, and you know that looked stupid!

The runners had been removed from his sleigh-
The ruts were termed dangerous by the E.P.A.
And people had started to call for the cops
When they heard sled noises on their roof-tops.

Second-hand smoke from his pipe had his workers quite frightened.
His fur trimmed red suit was called "Unenlightened."

And to show you the strangeness of life's ebbs and flows:
Rudolf was suing over unauthorized use of his nose
And had gone on Geraldo, in front of the nation,
Demanding millions in over-due compensation.

So, half of the reindeer were gone; and his wife,
Who suddenly said she'd enough of this life,
Joined a self-help group, packed, and left in a whiz,
Demanding from now on her title was Ms. (cont.)



(cont.) And as for the gifts, why, he'd ne'er had a notion
That making a choice could cause so much commotion.

Nothing of leather, nothing of fur
Which meant nothing for him. And nothing for her.
Nothing that might be construed to pollute.
Nothing to aim. Nothing to shoot.

Nothing that clamored or made lots of noise.
Nothing for just girls. Or just for the boys.
Nothing that claimed to be gender specific.
Nothing that's warlike or non-pacific.

No candy or sweets...they were bad for the tooth.
Nothing that seemed to embellish a truth.
And fairy tales, while not yet forbidden-
Were like Ken and Barbie, better off hidden.

For they raised the hackles of those psychological
Who claimed the only good gift was one ecological.
So Santa just stood there, disheveled, perplexed-
He just could not figure out what to do next.

He tried to be merry, tried to be gay...
But you've got to be careful with that word today. (cont.)
His sack was quite empty, limp to the ground;
Nothing fully acceptable was to be found.

Something special was needed, a gift that he might
Give to all without angering the left or the right.

A gift that would satisfy, with no indecision,
Each group of people, every religion;
Every ethnicity, every hue,
Everyone, everywhere...even you.

So here is that gift, its price beyond worth...
"May you and your loved ones enjoy peace on Earth."

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Please Note:

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Apparently, YOU told Santa that
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FROM THE OFFICE...

I would like to share my favorite Christmas story.

An old Christmas story is told of the old shoe cobbler who dreamed one Christmas Eve that Jesus would come to visit him the next day. The dream was so real that he was convinced it would come true.

So the next morning he got up, went out, cut green boughs, decorated his little cobbler shop, and got all ready for Jesus to come and visit. He was so sure that Jesus was going to come that he just sat down and waited for Him. The hours passed and Jesus didn't come.

But an old man came. He came inside for a moment to get warm and out of the winter cold. As the cobbler talked with him he noticed the holes in the old man's shoes, so he reached up on the shelf and got him a new pair of shoes. He made sure that they fit and that his socks were dry and sent him on his way.

Then an old woman came with a bundle of sticks on her back. She was bent and hungry and tired. He gave her his loaf and steadied her load as she found her way on the road. Then he sat down again to wait for Jesus. But Jesus still didn't come.

Then he heard crying in front of his shop. He found a weeping boy and talked with him and discovered that the boy had been separated from his parents and didn't know how to find his way home. So the old cobbler put on his coat, took the boy by the hand and led him home. When he got back to the shop it was almost dark and the streets were empty.

In a moment of despair, he lifted his voice to heaven and said, "Oh, Lord Jesus, why didn't you come?"

In the following silence he heard a voice saying, "Oh shoe cobbler, lift up your heart. I kept my word.

"Three times I knocked at your friendly door.
Three times my shadow fell across your floor.
I was the man with the bruised feet.
I was the woman you gave to eat.
I was the boy on the homeless street."

Jesus had come! The cobbler just didn't realize it. It happens all the time, doesn't it? He is always there and we are eye witnesses of His majesty. We just don't focus. We just don't hear. Remember, Jesus still says, "In as much ye have done it unto these....."

It is my wish that you will be visited by Jesus this beautiful season. That you will recognize Him. And that you will serve Him.

Merry Christmas from the staff of Union Parish TRIAD.

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TRIAD Newsletter

December, 2015



'Twas the Night Jesus Came

*'Twas the night Jesus came and all through the house
Not a person was praying, not one in the house.
The Bibles were left on the shelf without care,
For no one thought that Jesus would come there.*

*The children were dressing to crawl into bed,
Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head.
And Mom in her rocker with baby in lap
Was watching the Late Show while I took a nap.*

*When out of the East there rose such a clatter,
I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash
Tore open the shutters and lifted the sash!*

*When what to my wondering eyes should appear
But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here!
The light of His face made me cover my head—
It was Jesus returning, just as He said.*

*And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth,
I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself.
In the Book of Life which He held in His hand
Was written the name of every saved man.*

*He spoke not a word as He searched for my name;
When He said, "It's not here" my head hung in shame.
The people whose names had been written with love
He gathered to take to His Father above.*

*With those who were ready He rose without a sound
While all the rest were left standing around.
I fell to my knees, but it was too late;
I had waited too long and thus sealed my fate.*

*I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight;
Oh, if only I'd known that this was the night.
In the words of this poem the meaning is clear;
The coming of Jesus is now drawing near.*

*There's only one life and when comes the last call
We'll find that the Bible was true after all.*



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TRIAD assesses the needs and concerns of older citizens

TRIAD leads to a broad dialogue on safety and security issues

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