

# The Children's Worship Bulletin

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## *Merry Christmas!*

December 22, 2019



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**AGE:** 5



# Just a word from Mr. Mac

**Claude E. McRoberts III • Senior Minister**

Dear Children,

Have you enjoyed the lights of Christmas this season? I know I have!

It's almost time to start putting up the lights. My family always takes out the lights the day after Thanksgiving, and then we try to get all the lights back in the box before January 1. So, I suppose we'll be trying to get all the lights back in the boxes this week.

One thing I will suggest at the end of my sermon today is that as you put the lights back in the box, say a prayer: "Lord, Jesus, help me to be Your light this year."

How can you be a light for Jesus?

That is a major question to be asked at your family times this week: how can I be a light for Jesus? He IS the Light of the world. He is the true Light; the real Light. And He shines through us. He shows others what He is like in all His light through us: serving, helping, loving, caring for others, witnessing to them about Jesus... the list goes on and on.

I want you to be thinking about ways you can be a light for Jesus in 2010. I also want you to be thinking about how you can witness for Jesus. Who could you share Him with? To whom could you tell the story of Jesus? Is it a friend? Is it a family member?

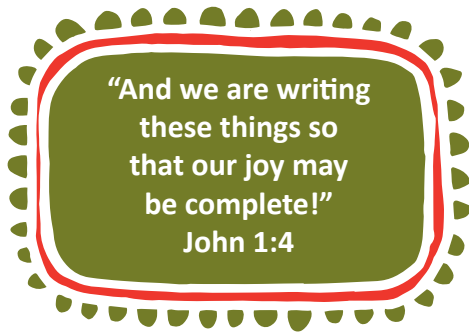
You might want to write them a letter or have your family invite his/her family over for a meal. It really doesn't matter as long as you are thinking of ways to shine the light of Jesus to others and be a witness for Him.

Let's be in prayer for each other for 2010 and see how God might use us.

I look forward to seeing you on the Lord's Day.

And I love you,

Mr. Mac



"And we are writing  
these things so  
that our joy may  
be complete!"  
John 1:4

**Do you have a:**  
**Prayer Request? Is there something you need prayer for?**  
**Praise Report? Has God answered a prayer?**

Is there anything else you would like Mr. Mac to know?

**Mr. Mac wants to know!!**  
Please write to him here and place your message in his box.

# Dear Mr. Mac,

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# A Guide to Family Worship

## December 23-28, 2019

As the family gathers, begin with the Lord's Prayer.

**Suggested Hymns:** #211 "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen"  
#195 "Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come"

### Suggested Family Worship Topics:

**Monday:** Following the Lord's Prayer, let the father open with prayer.

**Read:** Psalm 103:13

**Discuss:** In Mr. Mac's sermon we learned about a missionary by the name of Robert J. Thomas. Can anyone recount the story of his sacrifice to get Bibles to Korea? Did he help bring light to people living in darkness? How can we bring light into a dark situation?

**Tuesday:** Following the Lord's Prayer, let the mother open with prayer.

**Discuss:** In what ways do we see in the following passages a witness for Christ? John 8:18; 8:14; 10:25; 5:39; 4:29; 9:25; 15:26

**Wednesday:** Following the Lord's Prayer, let a child open with prayer.

**Read:** John 1:6-13

**Discuss:** How did John the Baptist let his light shine for Christ? Who did John talk about in his witnessing: himself or Jesus? Was his witness backed up with this life? In what ways?

**Thursday:** Following the Lord's Prayer, let a child open with prayer.

**Read:** Psalm 23

**Discuss:** What is the goal in witnessing for Christ? What do we want to see happening in that person's life?

**Friday:** Following the Lord's Prayer, let the father open with prayer.

**Read:** John 1:12

**Discuss:** What are some of the privileges of an adopted child of God? Is prayer a benefit of being a child of God? In what way? How is it that we are given access to God the Father? One more time this week: How can we be witnesses for Christ? How can we let our light shine for Him?

**Saturday:** Before bed, everyone in the family gathers for prayer. Mom or Dad can read Mr. Mac's letter to the children. After discussing the next morning (getting up, getting dressed, being ready for worship and Sunday School), let every one in the family lie prostrate... on their face, and pray for the Sabbath. Pray for worship, for Mr. Mac, for the one leading the service, for the choir and Mr. Reed and Mr. Alexander, for the preaching and singing and prayers.



# Sermon Art



Use this page to illustrate something that Mr. Mac preaches on during the sermon this morning!



**This week's lesson is on**  
**John 1:6-14**



Want to see your artwork on  
the FRONT PAGE?



Put your artwork in the Sermon Art mailbox in the church office (bottom left hand side).



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“And He said to them,  
‘Go into all the world  
and proclaim the gospel  
to the whole creation.’”  
Mark 16:15

## Meet Our Missionaries!



**Mario Xoca**  
**Isaiah 55**  
**Reynosa, Mexico**

Mario and Keila met in high school, and were married after graduating from university. He was hired by LG Electronics as a computer science engineer, and then began working as an IT manager in 2007 for TRW Automotive, where he was in charge of the four factory plants located in Reynosa.

In 2012 they felt a strong calling to share the Gospel with more people, so they planted Camino de Fe (Way of Faith) Church. Mario was a bi-vocational pastor while continuing to work with TRW. In 2017, they joined the Isaiah 55 staff on a full time basis. Mario has spiritual oversight for Isaiah 55 Ministries and continues to pastor Camino de Fe. Keila works with Isaiah 55 to organize VBS and other neighborhood outreach. Eventually they would like to plant a church in the Aquiles neighborhood which surrounds the mission. Their various skills and spiritual gifts as national Reformed believers are vital to the work of evangelism and discipleship in Reynosa.

They have two children, Debbie who is a college student and Ian who is in high school. They enjoy working with volunteer teams as translators.

# Music and Hymns

## #218 "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

The angels proclaimed His birth, the shepherds witnessed Him, the wise men followed a star to come and see Him- to worship the King! Could you imagine such a tiny, innocent baby being praised? They praised Him, because they knew who He was and who He would grow up to be. Verse 4 says "saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear, suddenly the Lord, descending, in His temple shall appear." Angels will also proclaim Jesus' second coming, the one we are waiting for now. One day Jesus will return and gather all of His people, those who believe in Him. Praise the King for His loving-kindness!

## #214 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

This is probably one of the most famous Christmas songs of all time. It is a traditional French Christmas Carol about the angels proclaiming the birth of Jesus Christ to the Shepherds! The Bible says a multitude of angels said "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!" "Gloria in excelsis Deo" means "glory to God in the highest" in Latin. This is a wonderful reminder of the Christmas story!

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom His favor rests."

Luke 2:14



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