

Behold the Peace Only Christ Can Bring

Dear TC Parents and Families,

The world invites us into a commercial Christmas - one filled with busyness, noise, activity, and an endless pursuit of more. The message is loud: *hurry, buy, do, repeat.* Yet as Christians, we know this is not the heart of Christmas.

The true Christmas is far quieter.

It is holy.

It is filled with awe.

It is the stillness of a humble manger, the hush of a star-lit sky, and the breathtaking truth that the Son of God chose to enter the world in humility. On that silent night, heaven touched earth. Hope took on flesh. Light stepped into darkness. The longing of humanity found its answer in Jesus.

As a TC family, we have the sacred privilege of guiding our students back to these eternal truths. Here, we celebrate the traditions of a Christian Christmas, traditions that anchor us in Scripture, point us to Christ, and remind us that the season is about so much more than activity or gifts. We celebrate the miracle of Emmanuel, *God with us*.

There is nothing wrong with trees, gatherings, cookies, or carols. These are joyful parts of the season. But at Turlock Christian, we keep Christ at the center. He is the One who gives meaning to every celebration.

Scripture calls us to pause in the midst of the rush:

"Be still, and know that I am God."
Psalm 46:10

This Christmas, may we, together, choose a different pace.

May we slow down enough to let the true meaning of Christmas sink deeply into our homes and our hearts.

May we make space for wonder, prayer, gratitude, and worship.

May we embrace not just a season, but a Savior.

"For there is born to you this day in the City of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

And if you or your family do not yet know Jesus as Lord, if you have questions about faith, salvation, or the hope He offers, please reach out to any member of our staff. It would be our joy to walk with you, pray with you, and help you come to know the greatest gift ever given: Christ, who came to save us from our sins.

This truly is the most wonderful time of the year—not because of what we do, but because of the One who came for us.

May your Christmas be filled with a still space to enjoy - His peace, His presence, and His joy.

In Faith, Family, and Future,

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