



# GOSPEL LIGHTHOUSE OUTREACH CHURCH

“ THE CHURCH ON THE HILL “



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From the pastor's desk

Sunday, 12-23-2012

**Sister Dendy and I wish all of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Drive safely if you are going to be on the highways.**

## 2013 ARE YOU READY TO MEET THE KING ?

**We are ending another year of the calendar.** Since the world did not come to an end as was predicted by some on the twenty first of December, I pray that we have more believers of God's word. No one knows when the end is to be not even the angels in heaven. Jesus himself doesn't know until His Father says go and get my children! But ! He does tell us the time is nearing! If you are not saved, I pray You will respond to His calling. He's calling you today won't you say yes and accept Him as your Savior? You have nothing to lose and everything to gain. Amen!

**Remember to keep in prayer:** our troops, government leaders, our Evangelists, Sister Mary Adams, Sister Bess Graham, Lay Witness For Christ Ministry, Dr. Sam and Sharon Mings, Israel, all churches, our prayer box, all the sick people, and the web site [gospellighthouseoutreach.com](http://gospellighthouseoutreach.com) . We put prayer request from our members and from the web site into our prayer box and pray over the names in the box each time we have service.

**Our scripture for this week:** **Acts 2:38**, Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.



## WHY DO YOU THINK THE ANGELS APPEARED TO THE SHEPHERDS

**Lu. 2:8-20; Read the verses**

**(8). And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night**

Have you ever wondered why the angels, at the birth of Jesus, didn't appear to someone else beside the shepherds? Why not someone of importance? Would you want or think that Jesus, the Prince of Peace would be born in such conditions? He was even buried in a borrowed tomb. Jesus did not come to earth to do away with all difficulties. He was to bring peace to the world. Today, He offers us an inner peace no matter what's happening around us.

The bible states Jesus had descended, as to His earthly nature, from the line of David, the Shepherd-King who had once kept flocks in those very same fields. Now another Shepherd King the son of David is born. There was no building big enough to hold the angelic numbers that night, 10,000 times 10,000 angels. Under the open sky in the field was the only place large enough to contain them.

Jesus came to redeem everyone even common people like us. By the shepherds seeing His birth in a stable and laid in the manger symbolizes His poverty and was a perfect comparison to the shepherds.

Now.. to balance this point, remember Matthew's account. The star appeared to the three wise men, who were the opposite of shepherds. They were Gentiles, wealthy, cultured, and respected. Jesus came for all, He's no respecter of persons. Who would be more appropriate to receive the Good News about the birth of the Lamb than an audience of shepherds, just common folks?

Scholars have said the flocks of sheep near Bethlehem were no ordinary sheep, but were sheep being raised for sacrificial uses in the temple. These shepherds were Spiritual men. God can reveal Himself and use anyone for His glory in ways greater than anyone can ever imagine. Let Him have His way in your life this Christmas season and every day after. What better time to say, "Yes, Lord yes," than the Christmas season!

## Calendar of Events; Dec.2012;

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| (1) Donlita Barrow-Anniv.                       | (1) Tommy Stueck-Bd.                                 |
| (2) Communion Sunday                            | (2) Austin Campbell-Bd.                              |
| (5) Kayla Burney-Bd.                            | (8) Gloria Cook-Bd.                                  |
| (10) Scott & Samantha Nettles-Anniv.            | (13) Johnny & Olivia Liserio-Anniv.                  |
| (16) 3rd Sunday Singing                         | (18) Karrie Evans -Bd.                               |
| (abt. 20-24th) Coy will be here for pictures    | (23) Church Christmas Fellowship after p.m. services |
| (28) Randy & Pamela Dwiggin- Anniv.             | (30) Coy Burnes-Bd.                                  |
| (30) Business meeting to be announced if needed |  |