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*The birds of the air come and perch in its branches.
- Matthew 13:32*

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Celebrating the Reason for the Season!

This year's Christmas program started with the Kids Kingdom chorus of young voices singing "Go, Tell it on the Mountain," and ended with the full ensemble onstage singing "The reason for the Season." In between, a young Sunday School group began with their focus on Santa coming to their class and discussing gifts, and wound up kneeling with him before the Cross, their hearts grateful for God's gift to us. Singers, actors and dancers combined their talents to bring attention to the real meaning of Christmas. For all those who participated, whether before the curtain or behind the scenes, we want to express our gratitude for your hard work and talent, and your giving hearts! Here are a few pictures from that morning—





Christmas joy!

Christmas gives us a wonderful opportunity to share with one another our joy about Jesus' birth and our love for one another! The Rouses and the Popes shared these pictures from the party at the Popes'—



and here are a few pictures from the Medranos' and the Netzahuatl's Christmas gatherings also.



12 (deeper) Days of Christmas

Courtesy of Dorci Richards:

Merry Christmas, Friends! I've been doing a Christmas devotional, and one of the activities was to create my own version of the *Twelve Days of Christmas* song. I want to share it with you all here; I hope you like it.

On the first day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me the **Truth** that has set me free.

On the 2nd day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me **Light** in the darkness and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 3rd day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me the gift of **Salvation**, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 4th day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me his **Holy Spirit**, the gift of Salvation, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 5th day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me *his only Son*, his Holy Spirit, the gift of Salvation, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 6th day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me the power of **Prayer**, *his only Son*, his Holy Spirit, the gift of Salvation, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 7th day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me **Love** beyond compare, the power of Prayer, *his only Son*, his Holy Spirit, the gift of Salvation, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 8th day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me **Forgiveness** for my sins, Love beyond compare, the power of Prayer, *his only Son*, his Holy Spirit, the gift of Salvation, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 9th day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me **Wisdom** of the Word, Forgiveness for my sins, Love beyond compare, the power of Prayer, *his only Son*, his Holy Spirit, the gift of Salvation, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 10th day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me **Hope** for the future, Wisdom of the Word, Forgiveness for my sins, Love beyond compare, the power of Prayer, *his only Son*, his Holy Spirit, the gift of Salvation, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 11th day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me a **Royal Priesthood**, Hope and a Future, Wisdom of the Word, Forgiveness for my sins, Love beyond compare, the power of Prayer, *his only Son*, his Holy Spirit, the gift of Salvation, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

On the 12th day of Christmas, my True Love gave to me my **Family in Christ**, a Royal Priesthood, Hope and a Future, Wisdom of the Word, Forgiveness for my sins, Love beyond compare, the power of Prayer, *his only Son*, his Holy Spirit, the gift of Salvation, Light in the darkness, and the Truth that has set me free.

A quick look back at 2018...

Here are some pictures from last year's newsletters, to remind you of some of the highlights from 2018. Take a look and see what memories they stir up! And if you take pictures of your family or ministry group's activities and send them to me, you'll be helping build family, excitement and connection in AcoCG all year, and contribute to a lively retrospective next January, too!







We welcome news and pictures on interesting personal stories, family group activities, and more. Please send them to Nancy Berry, nberry2@gmail.com. Thank you!

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