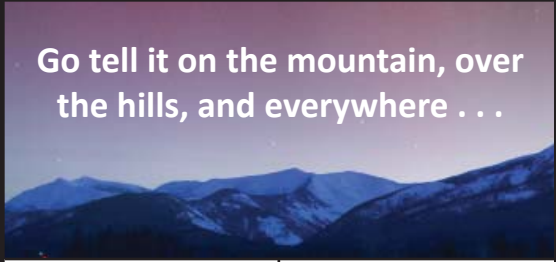
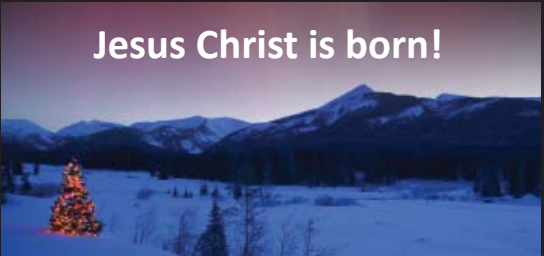


December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills, and everywhere . . .</p>		<p>1 Holy Spirit, work in the hearts of those in basic Christianity classes at Sure Foundation, Woodside, NY. Light the fire of faith in their hearts.</p>	<p>2 Ask God to bless the efforts of the Synodical Council to prepare a long-range plan for WELS.</p>	<p>3 God, please use the Christmas outreach efforts of Cross of Life, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada to bring the good news of Jesus to many.</p>	<p>4 Lord, thank you that despite the challenging economy, congregations are giving as they pledged, helping to sustain synodical efforts.</p>	<p>5 Ask the Lord to send new Albanian nationals to study for the ministry in the country.</p>
		<p>6 Pray for the members of Abiding Savior, Killeen, TX, most of whom have ties to Fort Hood where the recent shooting rampage took place.</p>	<p>7 Dear God, bless Greg Schmill as he begins serving this month as interim director of the Commission on Lutheran Schools.</p>	<p>8/9 Thank God for another productive outreach season for Saving Grace, Mobile, AL, as a record number of members joined with a team of students from Michigan Lutheran Seminary to contact thousands of households in the area.</p>	<p>10 Jesus, Head of the Church, please provide a candidate to serve as president of Michigan Lutheran Seminary.</p>	<p>11 Heavenly Father, allow the holidays to be a time of physical and spiritual refreshing for our synod workers.</p>
<p>13 Holy Spirit, bless the work of Asia Lutheran Seminary in preparing leaders to reach out in one of the most densely populated areas of the world.</p>	<p>14 Pray for the students and teachers of the pre-seminary in Nigeria, that they may serve the church faithfully.</p>	<p>15 Lord, bless the efforts of our ministerial education schools to recruit students who are eager to become pastors, teachers, and lay workers.</p>	<p>16 God, as the Maoist government in Nepal considers banning certain religions, spare your people this obstacle so that the sharing of your gospel may continue.</p>	<p>17 Lord, help the new WELS logo, look, and Web site to adequately communicate to the public our mission: "Christ's Love, Our Calling."</p>	<p>18 God, give wisdom and perseverance to those taking on new leadership responsibilities in the Brazilian church.</p>	<p>19 Holy Spirit, continue to grow the membership of Christ the King, Palm Coast, FL through their efforts to share your Word.</p>
<p>20 Thank you, Lord, that more than 19,000 in Pakistan are enrolled in a Bible correspondence course! Bless our contact person as he continues his work.</p>	<p>21 Savior, please grant your wisdom and guidance to CrossWalk Church in Phoenix as they begin to uncover your plan for them in the next five years.</p>	<p>22 Dear God, help our synod to stretch available funding so that, even with less, ministry will be disrupted as little as possible.</p>	<p>23 Holy Spirit, give our churches and synod a spirit of unity as we serve you in many different ways.</p>	<p>24/25 We thank and praise you, Lord, that our "eyes have seen your salvation which you have prepared in the sight of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel"! (Luke 2:30-32)</p>	<p>26 God, guide the efforts of members in Harrisburg, PA to start a daughter congregation in Lewisburg.</p>	
<p>27 Holy Spirit, bless the preaching station in Vasa, Finland, which hopes to make inroads among Swedish-speaking people in western Finland.</p>	<p>28 Father, soften my heart so I speak and act kindly toward people with intellectual and physical disabilities.</p>	<p>29 Ask God to give protection to those serving in Mexico from the heightened violence stemming from the government's efforts to stop the drug trade.</p>	<p>30 Pray that the support of WELS from foundations may rebound and that meanwhile we can find additional funding from other sources.</p>	<p>31 Dearest Lord, give us eyes that see people as souls for whom you died. Amen.</p>	 <p>Jesus Christ is born!</p>	