

Christmas 2023

Dear Friends:

This is the season when the leaves change color and fall to the ground. Following fall comes winter; when the snow falls, we shovel snow. Then, we need to remember how to drive on icy roads. Christmas comes before we realize it.

Personally, I find this a time of reflection about the world we live in, with its uncertain times. I often wonder when Christ is coming again. This is prevalent in our prayers when Christ's birthday is near.

Earlier this fall, I had a very interesting conversation with Geoff, a local driver. Geoff, his wife, and son were new Christians, but not attending a church. The family was having Bible study on Sunday afternoons, in their home. We talked about the importance of fellowship with other Christians, and the importance for the whole family to attend a church. Geoff returned to me later and reported that they had found a church that met their needs. I am looking forward to seeing the family grow in God's word.



One of the things about Chaplaincy work is talking to drivers about the challenges they face; hearing of their difficulties and listening to them discuss how they think God would handle the situation. The story above is one of the many opportunities I face on a regular basis. As Christmas approaches, these conversations increase with the pressures of the holiday season. In the last eight years as a chaplain, it has been a privilege to have these conversations.

Part of my ministry mandate is to provide financial resources for personal and ministry needs.



Without your prayers and financial support, our ministry would not be possible. Drivers like Geoff would face spiritual problems alone. **Because you stand with us in this ministry, lives are touched for eternity**. If you would like the opportunity to join Linda and I in proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ to those in the world of trucking, please follow this link to the <u>Donations</u> page on this web site, or you can click on one of the donate buttons located throughout the web site. I look forward to hearing from you real soon. (*Photo is of another driver*.)

May you and your family have a Merry Christmas and blessed New Year.



God Bless, Ron and Linda



