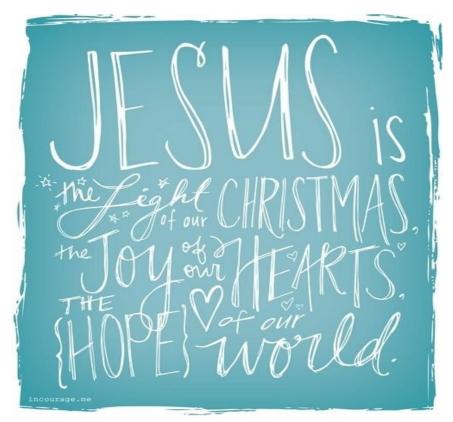
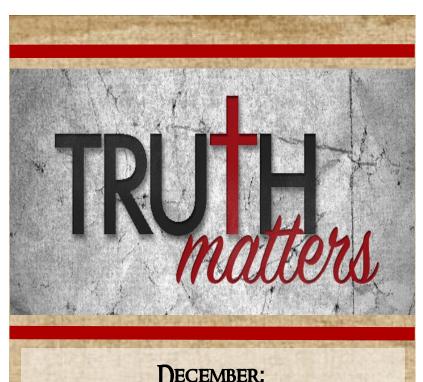


Join us tonight for a special evening service as we celebrate Christ's birth as a Church Family. Following the service we will have a fellowship. Please contribute with finger foods or desserts. Please see Mrs. Sellars if you have any questions!!





DECEMBER:

THE TRUTH MATTERS... ABOUT [AST THINGS!

6th—Secret Sister Revealing

17th– Jan 2– Christmas Break

25th- Christmas Day

30th-5th Sunday SIng

AND YE SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH, AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE. **JOHN 8: 32**



Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ within me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ at my right, Christ at my left . . . " These hymn lyrics, written by the fifth-century Celtic Christian St. Patrick, echo in my mind when I read Matthew's account of Jesus' birth. They feel like a warm embrace, reminding me that I'm never alone.

Matthew's account tells us that God dwelling with His people is at the heart of Christmas. Quoting Isaiah's prophecy of a child who would be called Immanuel, meaning "God with us" (Isa. 7:14), Matthew points to the ultimate fulfillment of that prophecy—Jesus, the One born by the power of the Holy Spirit to be God with us. This truth is so central that Matthew begins and ends his gospel with it, concluding with Jesus's words to His disciples: "and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen." (Matt. 28:20). St. Patrick's lyrics remind me that Christ is with believers always through His Spirit living within. When I'm nervous or afraid, I can hold fast to His promises that He will never leave me. When I can't fall asleep, I can ask Him

to give me His peace. When I'm celebrating and filled with joy, I can thank Him for His gracious work in my life. Jesus, Immanuel—God with us.

FATHER GOD, THANK YOU FOR SENDING YOUR SON TO BE GOD WITH US. MAY WE EXPERIENCE YOUR PRESENCE THIS DAY.

God's Love became Incarnate at Bethlehem.

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MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

NATE AND **CHRISTY** MINION **M**ISSIONARIES TO CANADA



God has called Nate and Christy Minion to plant Independent Baptist churches in Labrador, Canada. They are sent by Great Hope Baptist Church in Chesapeake, Virginia, and are serving with Baptist International Missions, Inc.

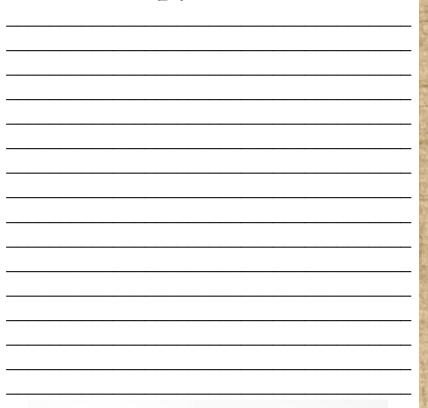
Labrador is an obscure, spiritually dark corner of Canada. There are currently no established Independent Baptist churches in Labrador, and God has burdened and called the Minion family to take the light of the Gospel to this needy place.

The Minion's long-term ministry goals are to: plant Independent Baptist churches, reach the Innu people with the Gospel, and evangelize the remote fishing villages that are scattered up and down the coastline of Labrador.

God has called the Minions "To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God." Would you prayerfully consider helping them reach the people of Labrador with the Gospel? They are excited to see how the Lord will use them to take the



NOTES





"...the end of your search for a friendly church."

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Service Times:

Sunday School-10:00am Sunday Morning Service-11:00am Sunday Evening-6:00pm Wednesday Evening-7:00pm

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2018



NOW ALL THIS WAS DONE, THAT IT MIGHT BE FULFILLED WHICH WAS SPOKEN OF THE ORD BY THE PROPHET, SAYING, BEHOLD, A VIRGIN SHALL BE WITH CHILD, AND SHALL BRING FORTH A SON, AND THEY SHALL CALL HIS NAME EMMANUEL, WHICH BEING INTERPRETED IS, GOD WITH US. MATTHEW 1: 22-23