

BROOKINGS SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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A HEAVENLY SONG

In Luke 2:6-14 we read the story of Christ's birth. "While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born,⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.⁸

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he

is Christ the Lord.¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."

The story of Christ's birth is amazing in so many ways. How awesome it was for the angels to declare the glory of God to those shepherds. The text also says that on earth there was peace to men! I do believe that in

Christ we can have peace amid the storms of lives because God's favor rest on us through what Christ did after his birth at the cross!

The angels sang about it and Christ confirmed it! Have a merry Christmas!
Pastor J. Galvez



UPCOMING EVENTS

◆ Ramon Canals from NPUC will be here next weekend for presentations on "Falling In Love With

Jesus." This concludes our series of renewing our relationship with our best Friend, Jesus.

◆ On December 21, Robin Bair will be leading out in a Music Program.

IT IS REPORTED THAT MOTHER TERESA HAD THIS ON HER WALL:

- *People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered. Forgive them anyway.*
- *If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.*
- *If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies. Succeed anyway.*
- *If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you. Be honest and frank anyway.*
- *What you spend years building, someone may destroy overnight. Build anyway.*
- *If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous. Be happy anyway.*
- *The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow. Do good anyway.*
- *Give the world the best you have and it may never be enough. Give the world the best you've got anyway.*
- *You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God. It never was between you and them anyway.*