



NEWSLETTER

SHEKINAH GLORY

DECEMBER 2025

Merry Christmas
With Love,
The Shekinah Glory
Church Family



A NOTE FROM OUR PASTORS

Dear Shekinah Glory Family and Friends,



As we enter the joyous season of Christmas, we are reminded of a truth that never changes: Emmanuel — God with us. In the midst of the busyness, the celebrations, and even the challenges of life, God's presence remains steadfast.

Christmas is more than lights, gifts, and feasts. It is the celebration of God stepping into our world, coming close to us in our struggles, our joys, and our everyday lives. He came not as a distant King, but as a humble child, so that we could know His love personally.

We know that 2025 has brought its own set of challenges, but the message of Christmas is a reminder that God is with you. In the quiet moments, in the laughter of your children, in the prayers of your heart, and in the fellowship of our church family, Emmanuel is present.

This season, let us focus not only on what material gifts we can give or receive, but on the greatest gift ever: Jesus Christ, our Savior! Let His presence guide your hearts, strengthen your faith, and bring peace that surpasses understanding (Philippians 4:7).

As you celebrate with family and friends, may the joy of knowing that God is with you fill every corner of your life. May you experience His comfort, hope, and unfailing love now and in the coming year.

From our family to yours, we wish you a blessed and joyful Christmas and New Year!

With love and blessings,
Sr. Pastors Mark and Lillian Spell
Shekinah Glory Church



EVENTS & SERVICES - NOVEMBER

Weekly Services:

- **Sunday Worship Services:** 9:30 AM & 11AM
- **Tuesday Bible Study (online only):** 7PM Shekinah_TV (YouTube Only)
- **Bible Study (Weds.):** 7:30PM – Message & A Meal
- **Prayer (Mon-Fri):** 6:30AM – 7AM via Conf. line only

CHURCH NEWS

- Please continue to keep Mother Martha Caple in your Prayers as she continues recovering
- Have you attended New Members Orientation? If not, please speak with your Covenant Care Leader
- Congratulations to Marcus and Janita Spell on their marriage September 13, 2025
- Congratulations to Sis. Gamble and Bro. John on the Birth of their son
- Make a child's Christmas bright, bring in 2 new unwrapped toys for ages 2 years - 10 years by Sunday Dec 21.

KEY SCRIPTURE

St. Matthew 1:23

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.





GIFTS FOR JESUS

Matthew 2:11

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh.

What the Gifts Mean

- Gold: A gift for a king! This shows that Jesus is our King.
- Frankincense: A special scent used in God's temple. This reminds us that Jesus is the Son of God He is Holy.
- Myrrh: A special spice used when someone dies. This shows that Jesus would suffer and give His life for us, and that He is truly human.



Grow your faith by building a personal connection with God and meaningful relationships with others



A LIFE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT OF GOD

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you..." - Acts 1:8

God's Spirit is your source of strength, wisdom, and guidance. Seek Him daily through prayer, worship, and obedience. Allow the Holy Spirit to shape your character, empower your decisions, and lead you in service. A Spirit-filled life brings joy, boldness, and a deeper connection with God.

Prayer:

Holy Spirit, fill me completely today. Guide my thoughts, words, and actions, and empower me to live fully for Christ. Amen.

Unlock your full potential through spiritual and academic growth

HEALTH WISE

Practical Tips for a Healthy December:

- Plan Your Meals: Include fruits, vegetables, lean protein, and healthy snacks.
- Stay Active: Take short walks, stretch, or do quick exercises daily.
- Hydrate: Drink plenty of water; limit sugary holiday drinks.
- Prioritize Sleep: Maintain consistent bedtimes and power naps if needed.
- Manage Stress: Take moments to pray, reflect, or journal.
- Limit Overindulgence: Use the "half-plate rule" and savor treats in moderation.
- Support Immunity: Eat nutrient-rich foods, wash hands frequently.





DECEMBER SCRIPTURE CALENDAR — “GOD’S PRESENCE”

Week 1: Dec 1 – Dec 6 Emmanuel — God With Us

Scripture – Matthew 1:23

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.

Reflection:

God is not distant. He came close to humanity in Jesus. His presence is with you in every circumstance.

Prayer:

Lord, thank You for being with me always. Help me feel Your presence each day and trust Your guidance. Amen.

Week 2: Dec 7 – Dec 13 God’s Guidance in Daily Life

Scripture: Proverbs 3:5-6

“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.”

Reflection:

Life can feel overwhelming, but God promises to guide us when we trust Him. Invite Him into every decision.

Prayer:

Father, help me trust You fully and seek Your guidance in all I do. Let Your presence lead me today and always. Amen.

Week 3: Dec 14 – Dec 20

Peace in God’s Presence

Scripture: Philippians 4:6-7

Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Reflection:

Amid holiday busyness, God’s peace is available. Prayer and thanksgiving anchor our hearts in His presence.

Prayer:

Lord, fill my heart with Your peace today. Help me rest in Your presence and trust You with every worry. Amen.

Week 4: Dec 21 – Dec 27

God’s Love and Joy

Scripture: John 15:11

These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

Reflection:

Christmas celebrates God’s love. His presence brings lasting joy, no matter your circumstances.

Prayer:

Father, thank You for Your love that never fails. Help me experience Your joy fully and share it with others. Amen.

Week 5: Dec 28 – Dec 31

God’s Faithfulness into the New Year

Scripture: Lamentations 3:22-23

It is of the Lord’s mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

Reflection:

Reflect on God’s faithfulness as the year ends. Each day is a reminder that He is with us and His mercy is renewed.

Prayer:

Lord, thank You for being faithful every day. As I enter the new year, fill me with your Spirit and guide me in all I do. Amen.





December Reflection: The Purpose, Method, and Result of His Birth

THE PURPOSE

I. Why Jesus Came

1. To save sinners
 - This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.— 1 Timothy 1:15
2. To seek and save the lost
 - For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.— Luke 19:10
3. To give life
 - “I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.” – John 10:10
4. To bring light into darkness
 - That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. – John 1:9
5. To reveal God’s love
 - “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son... that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” – John 3:16

THE METHOD

II. The Way Jesus Came

1. Born of a virgin (humble beginnings)
 - “Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel...” – Matthew 1:23
2. God manifested in flesh
 - “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us... full of grace and truth.” – John 1:14
3. Through obedience to God
 - “Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;” – Hebrews 5:8

THE RESULTS

III. Results of His Coming

1. Forgiveness of sins
 - “In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;” – Ephesians 1:7
2. Peace and reconciliation with God
 - “For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;” – Ephesians 2:14



PRAYER OF SALVATION



Heavenly Father, I come to You today, knowing I need Your grace. I confess that I have sinned and fallen short of Your glory. But I believe that Jesus Christ is Your Son, That He died for my sins and rose again to give me new life. I ask You to forgive me, cleanse me, and make me whole. I surrender my heart to You, and I receive Jesus as my Lord and Savior. Fill me with Your Holy Spirit and guide me every day. Thank You for saving me and writing my name in the Book of Life. In Jesus’ name I pray, AMEN

