

2008 Christmas Program

"The A B C of Christmas"

Pastor Ben will walk in with first speakers. The other kids will follow. There will be music playing

Pastor will announce the message the kids are running the service. He will then have a prayer bless the service or I am not sure what he will say but then we will begin.

-----Thank you Pastor Ben.

At this time we would like to let you know if you are visiting with us for the first time and have small children, we do have a staffed nursery and feel free to visit it at any time.

-----If you would like a tape of this program please get a blank DVD to Pastor Al or Pastor Ben and they will record it for you.

Let's begin with the offering. I heard there are yummy cookies waiting for us at the end of the service.

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Music by Rance Williams*

-----Good Morning children, I know this is a very exciting time of the year. I think it would be fun to talk about this Christmas season in a different way. Lets sing the ABC song. Does everyone know there ABC's.

Sing the ABC song. JUST THE LITTLE LAMBS

----- I bet you're wondering what that has to do with Christmas. Well {pause} Let's take every one of those letters and put them on the Bibleville train and let's see how they describe Christmas. I think we won't have any trouble finding words about Christmas.

Let's start with the letter A.

-----A is for ANGELS with Halos so bright, whose carols were heard on that first Christmas night.

-ALL----- Sing Angels we have Heard on High.

-----B is for BELLS so merrily ringing, joy to the world is the message they're bringing.

----- Bell choir Refrain of Joy To the World

-----C is for the CHRIST CHILD whose birth shows us God love that we might have life in heaven above.

-----D is for the DRUM the little boy played, to honor the king- and we do the same with this song we sing.

-----Sing "The Little drummer Boy" Alex Jones will walk in
as the song is being sung.

-----E is for EVERLASTING – God's love for you and me.
This is the best gift of Christmas don't you agree

-----F is for the FAITHFUL- who came to see,
Jesus was born for you and me.

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-----G is for GRACE- to all the people we know, God's love
in Jesus we joyfully show

-----H is for HOLLY, with berries so red, to make into
wreaths to hang overhead.

-----I is for the INNKEEPER, who gave his last space to help
a young couple who needed a place.

-----J is for JESUS, the Christ child so dear. We honor his
birth on Christmas each year.

-----K is for KRIS KRINGLE – so merry he stands. A
reminder of God's love in so many lands

-----L is For LANTERNS- the flicker of there light helped
Mary and Joseph that first Christmas night.

-----M is for MARY, her heart full of love, for her little son
Jesus, who came from above.

-----Sing Away in a manger

-----N is for NOEL, the angels did sing, to herald the birth of
Jesus, our king.

-----O is for ORNANMENTS, so shinning and bright, with lights on the tree to sparkle at night.

-----P is for PRESENTS, with ribbons so gay, all around the tree for our Christmas day.

-----Q is for QUIET, Christmas Eve night, with snow-covered hills glistening so bright.

-----R is for REJOICE-we praise Him from Heaven and earth, as we celebrate Jesus birth

-----S is for SHEPHERDS who first saw the star over Bethlehem's manger and followed it far.

-----Sing "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star" Little lambs

-----T is for TRADITIONS passed on by your family year after year to spread the holiday cheer.

-----U is for UNIVERSE, where Christmas brings joy to all in the world- to each girl and boy.

-----V is for VISITING friends near and far. We travel by plane or by bus or car.

-----W is for WISE MEN, who brought gifts so rare, and knelt down and worshiped the Christ Child they found there.

-----Sing We Three Kings

-----X is for XMAS, or Christmas by full name. No matter the language, it all means the same.

-----Y is for YULE LOGS, whose bright sparks fly high, to give a warm welcome to friends passing by.

-----Z is for ZEAL we show at this time, in giving to others and loving mankind.

-----I never knew it could be so easy to come up with so many Christmas words. This time of the year is so exciting. It doesn't matter how we celebrate. The important thing to remember is the baby was born of the Virgin Mary. That same night when some shepherds were watching their sheep an Angel came down and said "Don't be afraid, for I have good news for you, News for the entire world. Your Savior was born tonight in Bethlehem. His name is JESUS!"

Then suddenly many angels came and they were all singing Glory to God with great joy. Let's all join in With **JOY TO THE WORLD.**

An older child will read the meaning as a younger child holds up their letter. They will then put the decorated box on the train.

We will have marks on the floor where the child will stand holding the letters **Christ is born. & Merry Christmas.** This will happen as the congregation is singing Joy to the world.

We will do some announcements and then we will exit and have fellowship with cookies.