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Jesus

*“She will give birth, and you are to give Him the name Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins.”
Matthew 1:21*

*The name “Jesus.”
Yeshua. Joshua.
-the Lord saves*

In what way would Jesus save? Would He be a political Savior? Would He be a social or Econ comic Savior? Maybe that’s the kind of Messiah the people hoped for. Maybe that’s the kind of Savior our world would like. The angel made it clear though...

✧ God With Us ✧

*“A virgin shall be with child, and will bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which is interpreted, “God with us.”
Matthew 1:23 MEV*



HAPPY HOLLIDAYS!

... He Would Save Us from Our Sin

Jesus! Paul tells us that this name is above every other name. At the mention of this name, Jesus, every knee will bow. Every tongue will confess that He, Jesus, is Lord. Peter preached that salvation is found in no other name, Jesus. There is protection in His name. There is power in His name. There is authority in His name. We pray in His name. Demons flee at the mention of His name.

Jesus. His name beckons us... identifies us... unities us. Jesus. His name offends some... intrigues others... confounds many. Jesus. My Creator. My Savior. My Lord. Jesus. My Life. My Friend. My First Love.

Jesus.

My Treasure. My Everything.



God With Us... throughout 2022!

His presence. His provision. His protection. His praise. God has truly been with us in 2022. We have so much to be grateful for, so much to celebrate!

Edithe graduated high school in May and enlisted in the Army Reserves. At the end of August, she shipped off to Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri for Basic Training. Jennifer and I flew up for her graduation. It was fun to see the base where she's been living and training these past four months. In January, she'll move to Boca Raton to begin college at Florida Atlantic University. One weekend a month, and two weeks in the Summer, she will have to report to her unit here in Orlando. We're so proud of her. She did amazing at "boot camp."



MaryFaith has been working at our local Publix grocery store for a year and a half now. She began classes this Fall at Seminole State University. We praise God for the continued miracle in MaryFaith's life. Her brain tumor was removed in May 2019, and her regular MRI's continue to show her humor and cancer free!

Edline began cosmetology school at Paul Mitchell in the Spring, and she completes her program in January. Then she will study for her state license. She is excited to get a new roommate in January as Edithe will move in and commutes to school.

Emma is in her final year at the University of Florida. She will graduate in May with a degree in Food Science. She's been working as a research assistant for one of the Food Science professors. They have told her that they have a spot in the grad program for her if she wants it.

Jaclyn moved from Harlem to Brooklyn this Fall and loves her new apartment. She started a new job, working in a financial services office in the city. The hours are great for her. They allow her the time to audition and rehearse, and her weekends



are free. She was cast as the lead in an off Broadway play that ran in November. It was a major project for her, as she was invited to be a producer for the show as well.

Marisa has lived in West Palm Beach and worked as the Marketing & Events Coordinator at Peggy Adams Animal Shelter since graduating in 2019. She loves traveling adventures and has made trips to Nashville with friends & New York with Emma this year. She has a big adventure coming up in March. She will join me as my administrative assistant for the Global Disciple-Making Summit in Turkey.

Jennifer and I celebrated our 30th Anniversary this year with a trip to Costa Rica in September. Since we live in Florida, we opted not to visit Costa Rica's beautiful beaches. Instead, we saw volcanos, water falls, the rain forest, and a cloud forest at a cabin in the mountains.

We had a wonderful week as a family just outside Washington, D.C. in July. We spent two days in D.C. walking the Mall and visiting the museums. We toured historic Harpers Ferry and went whitewater rafting down the Shenandoah River. We hiked Bull Run and Shenandoah State Parks. And we enjoyed our airbnb house, roasting marshmallows over the fire pit, playing badminton in the backyard, and playing games in the basement.

Jennifer continues her work as a full-time dental hygienist and serves on the worship team at church. Last Summer, I began helping with the youth ministry at church again, and still serve as an elder. The house has been quiet with just three of us home this Fall. We're looking forward to the noise, laughter, and joy of having all eight of us home for Christmas!

Serving Christ together, Doug & Jennifer

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