



...The Word was God...
and The Word was
made flesh and dwelt
among us. John 1, 14

A Child Is Born

The passages quoted below are found in The Old Testament: Isaiah 7:14, Micah 5:2, Isaiah 60:1-3,6, Isaiah 9:6, and Isaiah 53:2-5. They individually and collectively portray for us all the beauty, greatness, and soberness of that First Christmas Day on which our Lord and Savior was born and **the reason He came**; the day that Hope for all mankind became flesh to dwell among us, truly..."God with us".

"Therefore The Lord Himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel."

"But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall He come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; Whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting."

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of The Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but The Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising... they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of The Lord."

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."

"He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, & like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to Him, nothing in His appearance that we should desire Him."

"He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we esteemed Him not."

"Surely He took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered Him stricken by God, smitten by Him, and afflicted."

"But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon Him, and by His wounds we are healed."



May you have a wonderful & meaningful remembrance of the birth of Jesus Christ, **Our LORD,**

Merry Christmas,

Danny & Carletta Burrows

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James Howard

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We, Danny, Carletta and Dad have had a full and prosperous 2012 and we look forward to 2013. We are so very grateful for the blessings that are so freely given every day! A lot has happened this year:

- * Danny retired from American Airlines in May 2012!*
- * Danny went to East Texas Police Academy, and now has his Texas State Law Enforcement License and has applied for a position as a Constitutional Deputy Sheriff in Rusk Co, which he will not know until after the new sheriff is sworn in — January 2, 2013!*
- * Dad, James, will turn 96 on January 4, 2013; he is had a healthy 95th year and his big events were getting a new set of teeth, new hearing aids, and a new treadmill, which he walks once or twice every day! Plus, travelling to see his great grandchildren! He still travels well!*
- * Dad has also travelled with Danny and Carletta to various places this year, especially when going to see the grandchildren in Junction TX; even at 95 years old he is a real trooper when it comes to travelling!*
- * Carletta, with the help of Danny, grew a fabulous garden, which required a lot of time canning and processing of food, but we have the freezers and the pantry full!*
- * Carletta has also enjoyed her children and grandchildren this year with several trips to Junction TX to see them and several visits from them here on the ranch! It is always fun to enjoy the animals and “life on the farm/ranch” when they are here. Jade, Brock and Koda are all actively involved with their horses, Star, Stellar and Swift!*
- * The ranch business and life has kept us very busy! We continue to improve infrastructure, as a matter of fact, we just finished painting a barn and building a “lean to” on our woodhouse to store equipment and tools; there is always something to do!*
- * Our upcoming plans are to continue to enjoy life one day at a time, love and enjoy our children, which we call our TREASURES, and grow in the grace and knowledge of our LORD AND SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST. Beyond that we are content and prayerful that our country will see the importance of obedience to the Word of God and the heritage that has been so graciously given us. We give thanks for all those who are continually protecting, guarding, and fighting for our liberty — and we pray for their safe keeping!*
- * In closing, we want to wish you and yours a continuing celebration of the most important life, the man, Christ Jesus, KING of Kings and LORD in the days He so graciously prospers us with.*

Philippians 2:5-7 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bond-servant, and coming in the likeness of men.

*Revelation 22:13 , 16- “I AM the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last.”...
“I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches.”*



Jason



Danny completed the East Texas Police Academy in July . Poppa, Brock, & Koda enjoy playing on the porch.



James & Carmen

Jason is still in Seattle working for CBS Radio and doing podcast for the women's roller derby team that his radio station sponsors. He also does freelance work for other radio stations. Jason enjoys the city life; he has a townhouse just across from the Space Needle, and he is close enough to his work that he can walk when the weather allows. We hope to visit Jason in the spring 2013 and we hope he makes it back to Texas real soon!



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Bunny

Justin & Carmen are busy, busy! Not only are they enjoying Jade, Brock, and Koda & working with the family company, but they are also building a new house on their property in Segovia, TX. They are proud to be celebrating the Heisman Trophy win by Johnny Football Manziel, and the Aggies playing in the Cotton Bowl! Whoop! Gig'em Aggies! We look forward to their being home for Christmas and we sure wish Junction were a tad bit closer!



Jade and Mimi riding Shadow & Star.

We have had a great time with our grandchildren, Jade (7), Brock (5), and Koda (3) this year. They are old enough to participate in almost everything we do on the ranch. They love riding the horses and playing with the animals.

James-Dad-Papaw and Carletta took a trip to Mississippi where James got to see, dine and visit with his classmates; he is the oldest at age 95 years!!

