

*Can we help you?*

Pastors and Elders of Good News Church would be glad to pray with you and offer any spiritual counseling. Visits to the sick and hospitalized can also be arranged through Benita on ☎ 39871726

## November & December at a glance

### Praise & Worship Service

Every Friday, 3:30 pm at NEC, Fellowship Hall  
Communion Service – 2nd & 4th Friday of every month

### Healing Service – 1st Friday of every month

### Children's Friday School

Friday, 4:45 pm during Worship Service at NEC

### Youth Meeting

Saturday, 4:00 pm

### Weekly Prayer Meeting

Monday, 7:30 pm

### Home Group Meeting

Every Thursday, for details contact: Benita Joseph 39871726

### Ethiopian Church

Friday, 12:30 pm at NEC( Fellowship Hall) & Sunday, 8.00 pm

### Eritrean Service

For more details: Contact Ps. Shewandagne (39668204)

### Hindi Gospel Meeting

Friday, 4:45 pm

### Night Watch

First Thursday of every month, 8:00 pm

### Christmas Celebration Service

Friday, Dec 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am

Venue: Baan Saeng Thai Hotel, Adliya

### New Year's Eve Service

Wednesday, Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, 10:00 pm



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# The Beacon

Good News Church, Bahrain. November - December 2014

## LOVE YOUR PASTOR

**'HE...GAVE SOME TO BE ...PASTORS...' Ephesians 4:11 NKJV**

PASTORS HAVE a tough job. They get more kicks than kisses.

If a pastor is young he lacks experience; if he's grey-haired he's too old. If he has five kids he has too many; if he has none he's setting a bad example. If his wife sings in the choir she's being forward; if not, she's not dedicated enough. If he preaches from notes he's dry; if he's extemporaneous he's too shallow. If he spends too much time in his study he's neglecting his people; if he makes home visits he's not a good time manager. If he's attentive to the poor he's after public approval; if he attends to the wealthy he's ingratiating. If he suggests improvements he's a dictator; if he doesn't he has no vision. If he uses too many illustrations he neglects the Bible; if he doesn't use enough stories, he's unclear. If he speaks against wrong he's legalistic; if he doesn't he's a compromiser. If he preaches for an hour he's windy;

less than that he has nothing to say. If he preaches the truth he's offensive; if he doesn't he's wishy-washy. If he fails to please everybody he's hurting the church; if he tries to please everybody he has no convictions. If he preaches tithing he's a money-grabber; if not, he's failing to develop his people. If he receives a large salary he's mercenary; if he doesn't it proves he's not worth much. If he preaches on a regular basis, people get tired of hearing the same person; if he invites guest preachers he's shirking his responsibility. Wow! And you thought your pastor had an easy life! How'd you like to change places?

- Excerpt from Word for Today

Bottom line: Love your Pastor



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## Missions - Bangalore

Worship

Ministry

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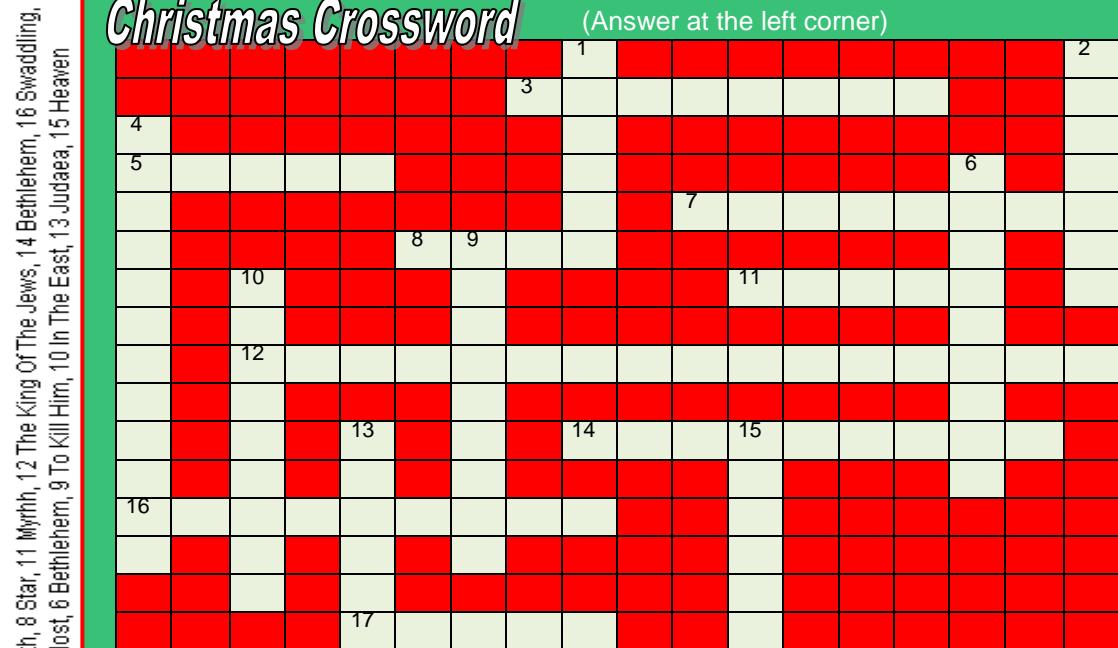
Break Time

Testimony

The Group

## Christmas Crossword

(Answer at the left corner)



### ACROSS

- 3 Shepherds activity in the fields (8)
- 5 Joseph and Mary fled here (5)
- 7 Joseph's city (8)
- 8 Guided the three wise men to the infant Jesus? (4)
- 11 Wise Mens gift (5)
- 12 Wise men looking for this person (3,4,2,3,4)
- 14 Otherwise known as the city of David (9)
- 16 Mary wrapped the baby Jesus in these clothes (10)
- 17 Gave the shepherds good tidings of great joy (5)

### DOWN

- 1 Roman Emperor who sent out a decree that all the world should be taxed? (6)
- 2 Honour (7)
- 4 Appeared to the shepherds with the angel (8,4)
- 6 Herod sent the three wise men here (7)
- 9 Herods reason for knowing when Jesus was found (2,4,3)
- 10 Place where the three wise men see the celestial body (2,3,4)
- 13 Country that Herod was the king of (6)
- 15 Where the angels went after they gave the news (6)

Judge: What are you charged with?"

Prisoner: "Doing my Christmas shopping early."

Judge: "That's not an offense. How early were you doing this shopping?"

Prisoner: "Before the store opened."

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Danny had recently passed his driving test and decided to ask his clergyman father if there was any chance of him getting a car for Christmas. His father took him to his study and said to him, "I'll make a deal with you. You bring your grades up, study your Bible and get your hair cut, I'll consider the matter very seriously.' A couple of months later Danny went back to his father who said, "Son, I've been real proud of you. You have brought your grades up, you've studied your Bible diligently, but you didn't get your hair cut!" The young man waited a moment and replied, "You know Dad. I've been thinking about that. You know, Samson had long hair, Moses had long hair, Noah had long hair, and even Jesus had long hair." To which his father replied, "Yes and they walked everywhere they went."