



# Praise the Lord



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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS!

**F**or unto you is born this day  
 in the city of David, a Savior,  
 which is Christ the Lord."  
 Luke 2:11

Is your Christmas shopping list all made up for Christmas 1981? For most of us it is the children, Mom and Dad, wife or husband, maybe a favorite nephew or niece — even a good neighbor or two on that list that seems to get longer each year!

I suppose there is nothing wrong in giving a gift to one we love as long as in our hearts we are honoring the ONE for whom the day is all about. Just how we arrived at the tradition of showering gifts on one another to celebrate the birthday of Jesus is in large part a mystery. Some say it began with the wise men who brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the manger of the Christ child. Even this, however, does not fully explain the mountain of boxes tied with bright ribbon, under a beautiful pine tree covered with lights and tinsel.

Well, the thought that snapped on IN MY MIND like one of those bright green Christmas tree lights was —

WHAT ABOUT JESUS? After all, it is HIS BIRTHDAY, isn't it? Is HE on our shopping list? Shouldn't He be at the very top of it? You know, if we will

all be real honest about it, we usually try to think back to last Christmas to remember what Aunt Mary got for us — "Let's see now, what did she pay for that sweater? I should try to get her something in about that same price range this year." This makes the decision on what to give JESUS seemingly impossible! I got to thinking about what HE has GIVEN to us — things like eternal life, healing, and miracles of every kind. How about CHRISTIAN TELEVISION?

And not just one station, but a WHOLE NETWORK is on the air twenty-four hours a day! Many of you our precious partners are saved today because of it — many of you are healed because the word of faith reached you. A son or daughter has come home as we agreed in prayer. Many of you have your home back together again. What a wonderful Christmas this will be for you this year — and all because Jesus gave us CHRISTIAN TELEVISION! How can we ever begin to give ANYTHING to Jesus after all He has given to us? But wait! That's not all — DID YOU KNOW THAT THERE IS ANOTHER HUGE GIFT ON ITS WAY TO YOU RIGHT NOW?

It is shaped like a box — FOUR

SQUARE — the Bible says — sounds like a really BIG Christmas package! In fact, it is 1500 miles wide, high and deep!

AND HE SHOWED ME THAT GREAT CITY, THE HOLY JERUSALEM, DESCENDING OUT OF HEAVEN FROM GOD. AND THE BUILDING OF THE WALL OF IT WAS OF JASPER; AND THE CITY WAS PURE GOLD, LIKE UNTO CLEAR GLASS.

Rev. 21:10,18

And the best part of all is — THIS GREAT GIFT IS ALMOST HERE! Praise the Lord! Beloved partners, HOLD ON! We're almost HOME! Let's keep on praying, believing, building, giving — we've come to far to turn back!

So as we consider the GREATNESS OF HIS GIFTS to us, what DO WE have to give to HIM? It seems hopeless as we compare our poverty with HIS RICHES. BUT WAIT. There IS something GOD wants that only YOU can give!

IT IS SIMPLY YOU!

EVEN THOUGH you may be saved, born again, eternally secure, or whatever — Does He really have YOU! Does He have all your love?



ALL of your heart? ALL of your possessions? Audrey Meier said it so beautifully in a song she composed some years ago:

ALL HE WANTS IS YOU,  
NOTHING LESS WILL DO,  
NOT JUST A PART,  
HE WANTS ALL OF YOUR  
HEART,  
ALL HE WANTS IS ALL OF  
YOU,  
ALL HE WANTS IS YOU.  
Beloved partners, let's give

ourselves to HIM this Christmas. That's really all we have to give and really all HE wants! If you really will, Jan and I want you to sign the little slip at the bottom of my letter here. Then on Christmas Eve we will place them ALL on the PRAISE THE LORD table and TOGETHER we will join together in a great CHRISTMAS GIFT to JESUS! We'll give HIM US! If you feel led to do so write a brief Christmas greeting or testimony to Jesus. Jan will read some of them LIVE on Christmas

Eve as we pray and GIVE the best Christmas ever to our Savior.

God bless you all and give to you the most blessed Christmas ever, to you and your loved ones. Jan and I love you with all of our hearts and may we wish you, all our precious partners, MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR of love and service to our Jesus!

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,

*Paul*

Dear Paul and Jan:

Yes, I do want to give Jesus the only gift He wants — ME! The names signed below represent a NEW dedication and consecration of ourselves to HIM! You may read our names and/or testimony on our live Christmas Eve Praise the Lord program!

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Our Christmas Love gift to you this month is our beautiful 1982 Picture Calendar. Filled with pictures of all the great highlights of the past year, it will bless your home all year and be a daily reminder to PRAY for your 24-hour a day 100% Christian Television.



- ☐ Enclosed is my special Christmas gift to help build more Christian Television around the world!\$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Please send my TBN picture calendar for 1982.

## JAN'S LOVE LETTER

I had a very startling thing happen to me this week and I wanted to share with you out of my heart. I realized, just this week, in a very REAL and HEART BREAKING way, how much CHRISTIAN TELEVISION means to me and it all started at a store where I was hurriedly buying myself a blouse to go with a new skirt I had been given.

I suddenly looked on a shelf and saw a beautiful sofa pillow that was the colors my mom has in her apartment and I said, "That's what I'll get mom for Christmas." I paid for the pillow, looked and saw a grey shirt that I knew Paul needed and I said, "Christmas is SO SOON. I'll get that for him." He loves PRACTICAL GIFTS and again I went to pay for the shirt! I looked at the clock in the store and saw it was only 3:00 p.m. I had a WHOLE HOUR to shop before heading to TBN for "Behind the Scenes." I thought, "Wow! Christmas is only about 1½ months away and I have so little time to

shop. I'll look for dolls for our TBN CHILDREN'S PROJECT and I'll get my babies, Paul, jr., Tawney and Matt something and boy, I've got a whole hour, I could even shop for my sis Dottie and I WONDER WHAT DADDY NEEDS THIS YEAR!!!!!!!!!"

WHAT DADDY NEEDS THIS YEAR?  
WHAT AM I SAYING? I CAN'T BUY FOR MY DADDY — I CAN'T HAVE THE JOY OF SEEING THAT LIL' BALD-HEADED ANGEL OPEN A LITTLE WRAPPED GIFT AFTER HE HAS SO BEAUTIFULLY AND PRAYERFULLY READ LUKE 2 TO US AND WE HAVE JOINED HANDS AROUND OUR TREE TO THANK GOD FOR EVERY GOOD AND FAITHFUL GIFT GIVEN TO US BY HIM — DADDY WON'T BE THERE!"

Daddy can't laugh and cry as he sees THE JOY on his babies' and grandbabies' faces as they open their little gifts. Daddy can't tell us how Jesus has PROVIDED

FOR US because we have been faithful to give. I can't see daddy smile and cry and laugh and praise and clap and kiss us with joy. I can't see that this year because DADDY WILL NOT BE WITH US. DADDY IS GONE FROM THIS EARTH FOREVER!

And what can I buy for DADDY this year? NOTHING. BECAUSE MY DADDY IS GONE!

I had a full hour and I NEEDED IT — all of a sudden my heart melted inside of me. My tummy churned, my throat got tight, and I began to sob! I grabbed a kleenex and tried to pass through the crowds to find a restroom. A lady put her arm around me, thinking I had become suddenly ill. She said, "May I help you, sweetheart?" Through my sobs I said, "No, ma'm, I'm just thinking how wonderful it would be if I could buy my daddy a Christmas gift this year, but I can't because he's GONE!" With these words I found the restroom, leaned over the sink and sobbed until I



thought my heart would BREAK.

All of sudden, in my desperation, I began to cry out to Jesus, "LORD, you'll have to help me through another Christmas WITHOUT my daddy. I love him so and I NEED HIM so and I don't have him! Then Jesus spoke to me so plainly and sweetly and said, "Jan, TELL My PEOPLE, TELL them. What if people who love CHRISTIAN TELEVISION and have been blessed by Christian Television, as much as you were blessed, changed, hugged and loved by your daddy, NO LONGER HAD CHRISTIAN TELEVISION? What if there were no more LOVE SPECIAL? What if there were no more PRAISE THE LORD program to give to? What if there were no more children's programs to keep on the air? What if there were no more 24-hour, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year of my love POURING RIGHT INTO THEIR HOMES and into the homes of millions from California to Alaska, to Connecticut, to Miami, to Indonesia, to Taiwan and Haiti, and to South America? What if it were suddenly cut off and they could no longer GIVE because it IS GONE? Tell them to give NOW, while Christian Television is still here!"

I was crying so hard by this time and the reality of what Jesus had spoken to me was so real that I found a corner and sat down. I said, "Jesus, AS MUCH as I just miss giving to my little daddy and seeing the joy on HIS face at Christmas time — WHAT IF all the little grandmas and papas and children and young people no longer had Christian Television? What if it were GONE and no one could ever read another

love letter of a life changed? What if SUDDENLY we could not give to see 24-hour Christian Television go into the hospital rooms and prisons and orphanages and elderly peoples homes? What if we could not help CHANGE OUR WORLD because we had let CHRISTIAN TELEVISION DIE and it was GONE and we could not give!"

I guess I used ten or more hand towels to help dry the tears as they flowed down my face. I realized how important my daddy was to me. I realized how much I wanted to GIVE TO HIM this Christmas AND I COULDN'T. Then I realized how much CHRISTIAN TELEVISION MEANT TO ME — and how much IT MEANS TO YOU!

I cried out to Jesus and made a new commitment to Him. "Jesus, as long as you will let us continue to have that LOVE of Christian Television, as long as you will let your Holy Spirit flow into lives and change them for good, I DETERMINE, I PROMISE YOU, I WILL GIVE MY ALL! I won't wait until it's GONE and CRY TO YOU, 'Oh God, did I do all I could to keep it on? OH GOD, DID I HELP ALL I COULD? OH GOD! Did I THANK YOU and LOVE YOU AND PRAISE YOU AND GIVE ALL I COULD for the privilege of HAVING CHRISTIAN TELEVISION in my home?' Please HELP ME to make a new commitment to you and let me do it NOW — before it is TOO LATE and Christian Television is GONE! God, I will pray more and I will give ALL I have to YOU!"

So, I cannot buy my little daddy some

new socks or a new pair of pajamas or a little warm sweater. HE'S GONE. But I can give ALL to Christian Television and to you. You are still HERE and Christian Television is still here and I feel a NEW COMMITMENT THAT IT'S ALL UP TO ME AND TO YOU!

Oh! If you could catch that love vision with me — before it is GONE and you CANNOT give. What WILL YOU GIVE to keep Christian Television with us FOREVER UNTIL JESUS COMES? Will you give your ALL too?

So — when will telethons be over and when will you not have the privilege of GIVING to Christian Television anymore? When it is GONE and your Channel 40, 14, 21, 45, 57 screens are BLACK, WE'LL NEVER ASK FOR ANOTHER DIME!

But TODAY — we HAVE EACH OTHER and my love for you is overwhelming me — my joy of knowing because of YOU CHRISTIAN TELEVISION IS ON THE AIR, ALIVE AND WELL, is overwhelming me and my tears are dried up and I'm smiling and I just want to tell you as loud as I can —

I LOVE YOU AND  
JESUS LOVES YOU  
and THANK YOU FOR  
KEEPING CHRISTIAN TELEVISION  
ON THE AIR FOR OVER EIGHT  
YEARS NOW —  
I LOVE YOU!

I believe because of YOU we'll be on the air until JESUS COMES!

*Jan*



Hundreds crowded in as Jock Fourcand and Paul inspected the new "Canteen".



Pitiful little beds need new mattresses and sheets. Let's send them in Jesus' name.



Prime Minister Begin gave us 1½ hours of his precious time as we presented him your names on a Scroll of LOVE!



The walls are going up on the new Haiti dining room that will feed thousands of precious street children.



Even though the roof is not on yet we are cooking on the bare ground and feeding hundreds weekly.



What a JOY we had in Israel! 250 MIRACLES! EVERYONE enjoyed it so very much & recieved their special miracle from Jesus!



# TBN is more than just "PRAISE THE LORD"



## KPTL (KIDS PRAISE THE LORD)

Doug & Sharon Cowan & family make up the cast in this clever children's variety program. Puppets play a big part in dramatizing scriptural truths.



## BIBLE BOWL

Kids loving the challenge of answering biblical questions on this quick paced program.

Children are a very important part of our ministry here at TBN. Here are a few of the fun filled programs we have to offer your kids.



## ONE WAY GAME

This exciting, fast moving, scripture quiz program is hosted by Pastor Jim McClellan. The format brings together kids from various Christian schools who compete for school recognition & a corporate prize.



## CAPTAIN ANDY

The gang from Shelter Bay: Rod (Captain Andy), Joyce (Christie Ann), Vince (Tony Babaloni), & Sue (Prudence Proverb) keep kids watching all the antics as Captain Andy's crew "sweetens" God's message for young minds and hearts.



## RISE & SHINE

Join all the rise and shine gang for a full fun packed hour on Saturday mornings.

## Special "Praise the Lord" Program ROCK MUSIC AND BACKWARD MASKING

*With Paul Crouch, Jr.*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 8:00 p.m. (Pacific Time)

TV 40

Thursday, January 14, 8:00 p.m.

Friday, January 15, 2:30 p.m.

On TBN satellite network at these times

Channel 21 — Phoenix

January 14, 9:00 p.m.

January 15, 3:30 p.m.

TV 45 — Miami

January 14, 11:00 p.m.

January 15, 7:00 p.m.

TV 57 (Denver)

January 14, 10:00 p.m.

January 15, 4:30 p.m.

TV 14 (Oklahoma City)

January 14, 10:00 p.m.

January 15, 4:30 p.m.

Notify your youth, friends, Pastor, Church of this Special Program