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At this joyful time of year, we are grateful to celebrate  
with you the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Although He was born in humble circumstances, He  
is the central figure in all human history. His mission  
affects all who have lived and will yet live. Through His  
Atonement and Resurrection, He did what we could not  
do for ourselves: overcome death and be reconciled to  
our Heavenly Father.

We testify that He is the Son of the Eternal Father, who  
“so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,  
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but  
have everlasting life” (John 3:16). We share our witness  
and knowledge of this most important gift and invite  
you to do the same this Christmas season.

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**JAMAICA 1ST WARD**

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Learn more about our church and  
our faith in the Savior Jesus Christ:

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To help maintain a reverent atmosphere, please silence  
all mobile phones and other electronic devices.

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is  
given: and the government shall be upon  
his shoulder: and his name shall be called  
Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God,  
The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

ISAIAH 9:6



Gustave Doré (French, 1832-1883) • "The Nativity (Luke 1:5-6)" (Illustration for La Grande Bible de Fournier) • Woodcut, circa 1846

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# Jamaica Community Christmas Devotional

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints**  
89-58 163rd Street ■ Jamaica, Queens, New York

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2024 ■ 6:00PM

*Gathering hymn*

LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

**First Church of God in Christ Praise Team**

*Welcome & introductions*

**President Carolee Weir**

President, Relief Society (women's organization),  
Jamaica 1st Ward

*Opening hymn*

202 ■ OH, COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

*Invocation*

**Evangelist Sarah McMillon**

First Church of God in Christ of St. Albans

*Reading*

BOOK OF MORMON — ALMA 7:10

**Fiona Joyce**

Jamaica 1st Ward

*Piano solo*

WE THREE KINGS

**Brother Curtis Brandy**

Jamaica 1st Ward

*Reading: Luke 2:1–12*

**The Reverend Carlene O. Thorbs**

Heart's Desire Ministries  
Chairperson, Community Board 12

*Musical number*

AWAY IN A MANGER

**Jamaica 1st Ward Relief Society**

*Reading*

LUKE 2:13–16

**AJ Richardson**

Jamaica 1st Ward

*Musical number*

DANS LA JUDÉE, BEAU PAYS DE DIEU  
(FAR, FAR AWAY ON JUDEA'S PLAINS)

**Haitian and French-speaking  
members of the Jamaica 1st Ward**

*Reading*

LUKE 2:17–20

**Shane Grant**

Jamaica 1st Ward

*Remarks*

**Sister Caroline Smart**

Jamaica 1st Ward

*Congregational hymn*

214 ■ I HEARD THE BELLS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

*Musical number*

WITH WONDERING AWE

**Jamaica 1st Ward Relief Society**

*Reading*

BOOK OF MORMON — 2 NEPHI 19:6

**Brother Rogers Jean-Louis**

Jamaica 1st Ward

*Musical number*

YOU ARE MY STRENGTH

**First Church of God in Christ Praise Team**

*Remarks*

**The Reverend William T. Armstead**

First Church of God in Christ of St. Albans

*Video presentation: A Savior Is Born*

*Closing hymn*

204 ■ SILENT NIGHT

*Benediction*

**By invitation**

*Following the devotional,  
we invite everyone in attendance to join us  
for light refreshments on the 1st floor.*

*We offer our sincere thanks to all who have made  
this evening's devotional possible and participated in it.*