



December 2019

Dearly Beloved,

I pray that you are doing well and that you are enjoying this Advent Season! This is a great time for us to reflect on and celebrate the coming of Christ into this world. Because of Christ, we have the comfort and peace of knowing that our loved ones who have faith in Jesus, and have gone on before us, are now enjoying eternal peace in the presence of our Savior. We who have faith in Jesus also have the hope and joy of knowing that we will be reunited with them in heaven one day. All of this is made possible because Jesus came, lived a sinless life, died for our sins, and rose from the dead! His death on the cross was to pay for the penalty of our sins, and His resurrection proved that His sacrifice was sufficient in bringing about our forgiveness and eternal life together with God.

Christmas involves the celebration of Jesus' coming; the birth of the promised Christ Child. As we celebrate our life together in Christ during this wonderful time of the year, please join us for the following gatherings of worship, fellowship and prayer:

Sunday, December 22	10:30 am	Christmas Worship Service (Donut Hour after the service)
Sunday, December 29	10:30 am	New Year's Eve Worship Service (Soba & Udon Luncheon after the service)
Sunday, January 5, 2020	10:00 am	Joint New Year's Worship Service (Church Photo after the service)

I also want to take the time in this letter to share with you another celebration that will be taking place next year, and that is the **90th anniversary** of the "birth" of our church. The inaugural worship service of the then San Diego Holiness Church took place on February 9, 1930. We would like you to pray for and plan on being a part of our celebrations on the weekend of February 8-9, 2020. More details will be forthcoming, but please prayerfully consider joining us on that weekend to celebrate together God's faithfulness to us as a church family and ministry.

Praising God for His goodness! Praying you have a joyous Christmas and a glorious new year!

Love in Christ,
Pastor Ichibei