

Christmas Message 2019

Dear Sisters and Friends,

“And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.”



The creative love of God was revealed through the creation of the Universe. Over time the cells divided into a variety of species – stars, planets, birds, creatures of every kind including human persons. What a beautiful, rich diversity of sights and splendid sounds emerged!

And God said, ***“All is good”***

Divine Creative Spirit revelations continue.

At the appointed time God decided to reveal its Triune Self through flesh and blood. God invited Mary to be the mother of God. Mary answered, ***“Be it done unto me according to your word”***.

In a manger in Bethlehem, Jesus the Son of God was born.

When Mary and Joseph came to Bethlehem did anyone realize that God’s Word was about to become visible in the person of a baby boy?

The stars shone brightly and lit up the night!

Did the people realize that the long awaited Messiah was here?

Did they hear the angels sing?

Was there joy in the heavens and on earth?

Shepherds were awake and watching the night sky.

They gathered their flocks and came to rejoice and adore the newborn Jesus!

Wise astrologers from the East saw the star and started on the long journey to pay homage to the new king!

Each year as Christmas draws near, homes and businesses decorate and light up the world. Hearts seem more generous, people more cheerful and friendly, and for many, hope seems more possible. People gather to pray and ponder what Christmas really means. How does it influence our vision and sharing of life with all creation?

Jesus said, ***“I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance”***.

May you experience and share this abundance of life at Christmas and throughout all the days of your life.

Merry Christmas, Joyeux Noel, Feliz Navidad, and many more!!!

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