Dear Parents/Guardians,

I wanted to take this moment to let you know that in December we will be having our annual Christmas program with the church school. This year the program is called "A Fruitful Telling of the Christmas Story". We are very excited to get this program going but I wanted to make sure to communicate a few things as we go forward. Please read as there are major announcements/and or changes for both programs!

First, the Education Committee has decided to do two separate programs. The Wednesday program is on December 13 during the 7:00 PM service. The Sunday program is on December 17 during the 11:00 AM service. This means that there will be practices on the Wednesdays and Sundays leading up to the program.

The Sunday program practices will be at 9:45 am (church school time) on December 3, 10, and 17. The Christmas program this year will be during the 11:00 AM service on Sunday December 17. Feel free to invite family and friends. We will also live stream this service on our Facebook page. We will have a potluck following the program downstairs to preview the recipes from our church cookbook. You are invited to stay and eat.

The Wednesday program practices will be at 6:00 pm (church school time) on November 29, December 6, and 13. The Wednesday program will be during the 7:00 p.m. service on December 13. Since kids on Wednesday will be here for practice, we will provide sandwiches at 5:15 pm on Wednesday December 13. Feel free to invite family and friends. We will also live stream this service on our Facebook page. Please bring 1 dozen cookies per child on the day of the program (12/13) to share with family and friends in the fellowship hall downstairs following the program.

Second, it will be vital that the kids be here every week for practice to ensure that we are all prepared for the program. Especially since we will have some dialogue in this year's program. There will be many songs to practice and many parts to learn so good attendance will help the teachers and myself in our preparations.

Thank you so much for your assistance. We wish you all a joyous Christmas season.

God Bless, Kenneth Opsal Director of Youth & Education