



### BIRTHDAYS OF DECEMBER

- 04 - Stephanie Machado
- 11 - Kathia Andressa de Moraes Pernas  
Marriage - Lidia and Paulo
- 14 - Solenir Machado
- 14 - Joao Rubens
- 31 - Sotiris Malas

### VISITORS

Thank you for visiting! We hope to have you with us again!

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

**Sunday School** (Adult and Youth): 2:15 pm

**Sunday worship:** 1:00 pm

**Worship Prayer and Bible Study:** Wednesday 8:00 pm

**Memorial Supper:** 1st Sunday of the month

**Administrative service:** Quarterly - 2nd Sunday of the month

**Meeting of the Board:** 1st Friday of the month

### BIBLE READING OF THE WEEK

#### DECEMBER

12/07 - Hos. 6.1-9.17, John III. 1.1-15, Pv.29.12-14

12/08 - Hos. 10.1 - 14.9, Jude.1.1-25, Pv.29.15-17

12/09 - Jl.1.1-3.21, Ap.1.1-20, Pv.29.18

12/10 - Am 1.1-3.15, Rev 2.1-17, Pv.29.19 -20..

12/11 - Am.4.1 -6.14, Rev. 2:18 -. 3.6, Pv.29.21-22

12/12 - Am.7.1 -9.15, Rev.3.7-22, Pv.29.23

12/13 - Ob.1.1-21, Rev.4.1 - 11, Pv.29.24-25

#### Sunday School

We study the Book of Nehemiah in our lesson on the Principles for Success in Chapter 3:1-32. This text speaks of the strategy used in the construction of Jerusalem. The Israelites had to work together. They needed each other, and they knew it.



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## **JESUS – THE REASON FOR THE SEASON**

### **Isaiah 09**

We are in the midst of a season when the world stops and celebrates a special day: Christmas.

#### **But what is the meaning of Christmas?**

Most people believe that it is the birth of Jesus Christ. Despite controversies about the exact date, the truth is that Jesus Christ was born and it was such an important moment that it split time into two eras: Before Christ and After Christ. Lies have changed Christmas into such a commercial date, that the true meaning of Christmas is not understood or celebrated in the way that it should be, even by a few so-called “Christians”. God has been traded for Santa Claus, *presence* has been traded for *presents*, and lights have been hung outside the house, while darkness has filled hearts. Food has been placed on the table, yet the soul still hungers. “Merry Christmas” is said to each other, but the meaning of Christmas is still unknown.

We must travel back to two thousand years ago, when an innkeeper in Bethlehem lost a great opportunity to receive the most important guest his establishment could ever hope for.

Our greatest establishment is life itself, and keeping Jesus Christ out of it is the worst decision we can make.

When we do this, we join ranks with a society that is doing exactly the same: leaving Jesus Christ out. The reason for the season is knowing that **to us a child was born, a son to us was given, and the lives we lead and of those who seek him are on his shoulders**. The present we receive is his presence, and the living water we have forever quenches our thirst. Our food is doing the will of the Father, and the light that we shine is actually a reflection of the One who is the Sun of Justice, JESUS CHRIST.

To Him be all the honor and glory.

With love,

**Pr. Aloísio Campanha**

# Praise, Worship and Adoration

Video Countdown  
Congregational Music

Ministries MAC & Multimedia  
Vocal Group, Instruments & Congregation

**FALAI PELAS MONTANHAS - 94 HCC (Português/English)**  
**SURGEM ANJOS PROCLAMANDO - 104 HCC (Português/ English)**

Prayer  
Welcome & Communications  
Moment of Intercession  
Message

Nelio de Almeida Chaves  
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## "JESUS - THE REASON FOR THE SEASON"

Celebration Supper Memorial  
Congregational Music

Pr. Aloisio Campanha  
Vocal Group, Instruments & Congregation

## VEIO À ESTE MUNDO O SENHOR JESUS - HCC 114

Lives Dedication, Goods & Talents  
Final Words  
Prayer and Blessing  
General Assembly of the Church

Pr. Aloisio Campanha & Congregation  
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VOCAL: Danila Pinheiro Chaves, Jocilene Ayres Malas, Nelio de Almeida Chaves  
and Pollyanna Soares

PIANO

Jocilene Ayres Malas

GUITAR

Joao Rubens

BATTERY

Kevin Chan

SOUND

Kevin Chan

PROJECTION

Anthony Soares

# Communications

## PRAYER

I cry aloud to the Lord; I lift up my voice to the Lord, pleading for mercy.  
Psalm 142: 1



**Brazil** - The tragedy that occurred in Minas Gerais and Espirito Santo with the Rio Doce has left several families homeless and without water. Let us pray for them, and for those who have the responsibility of governing our home country.

Let us pray also for events around the world that have affected so many.

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## TAKE NOTE OF THE FINAL REHEARSAL CHRISTMAS SCHEDULES

### "FACT OR FICTION - THE CHRISTMAS EDITION":

Children - BIG-REHEARSAL 3:30 pm to 7:30 pm TODAY.

GENERAL TESTING DURING THE WEEK

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 5:00 pm - 7pm

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm

"COME AND BEHOLD HIM" – Final Rehearsal:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 7:30 pm

Today, December 6, THERE WILL NO REHEARSAL

### CHRISTMAS PRESENTATIONS

"FACT OR FICTION - THE CHRISTMAS EDITION" - Kid's Musical

Saturday, December 12, at 7:30 pm

Sunday, December 13, at 10:00 am

"COME AND BEHOLD HIM" - Adult's Cantata

Saturday, December 19, at 7:30 pm

Sunday, December 20, at 10:00 am

Remember: WE WILL NOT WORSHIP IN THE 1PM Sunday 13 & 20.

Today Administrative Worship.