

Delivering Christmas joy



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Volunteers with Dallas Adopt-a-Family braved the chilly temperatures on Dec. 14 — just before snow started to fall — to deliver Christmas to 196 families in need in the Dallas area. The program provides a food box and gifts for children for families who apply. Local individuals, businesses and organizations sign up to “adopt” families.

Ring: David will leave ring home

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On Nov. 1, David and Vicki met Larson and his wife, Joan, in Pendleton to retrieve his ring. Joan, who was a bridesmaid in the couple's wedding, gave it to Vicki.

With ring in hand, Vicki had a message for David. “She said ‘You realize this ring is not going hunting with you anymore,’” David said.

Against the Good Samaritan's wishes, David sent him a reward with instructions to spend it on a treat for his family.

“I do hope he did something frivolous with his family with it,” David said.

This spring, David and Vicki plan to return to Heppner to meet the man who worked so diligently to return his wedding ring.

“I'm just happy to have it back,” he said. “I don't know how the stars all aligned to make it happen.”

Soon after returning to Dallas, David took his ring to Brixius Jewelers to have it resized.

“Now you have to force it off,” he said.

Vicki said she momentarily lost her ring a short time before David lost his. She recalls the sinking feeling she had, even knowing she would find it around the house at some point.

With David's situation, with odds heavily stacked against it being returned, she said they felt “pretty knocked over” when they learned it had been found.

“It was my miracle, and every once in a while, you need a miracle,” she said.

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Christmas Worship

St. Hilda's Episcopal

4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve
Carols and Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Christmas Day

Everyone is welcome!

245 W. Main St. • Monmouth
503-838-6087

Candlelight Service
Christmas Eve
5:30 - 6:30

“The Christmas Story told through the eyes of the Wise Men”

45 min of Christmas Carols

Calvary Chapel
628 SE Jefferson St. • Dallas
For more information 503-831-1074

A SILENT NIGHT THAT STILL THE CHAOS.

THAT'S CHRISTMAS.

That's Church.

CHRISTMAS EVE AND CANDLELIGHT
FAMILY SERVICE 7:30 PM
COMMUNION SERVICE 11:00 PM

CHRIST'S CHURCH
METHODIST & PRESBYTERIAN UNITED
412 CLAY STREET WEST
MONMOUTH, OREGON
503-838-1724

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

7:00 pm

“A small church with a Big heart”

Sunday Services 10:30 am
Adult Sunday School 9:00 am
Coffee/Cookies & Parish Nurse available after worship

Dallas First Presbyterian Church
879 SW Levens, Dallas . 503-623-3397

Christmas Program
Sunday, Dec. 18, 10 AM
with refreshments following the service

Christmas Day Special Service 10 AM
“A Stable for Jesus”

Sober New Year's Eve Party
Sat., Dec. 31, 9 PM-12:30 AM
Lively music, board games, refreshments and more.

Dallas Evangelical Church
783 SW Church St, Dallas

Join us for
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
at 6:00 P.M.

First Baptist Church of Independence
Sunday Services 11:00 A.M.

Ministries include: AWANA, Youth, Men, Women, Small Groups and an active Senior's Ministry

1505 Monmouth St., Independence
503-838-1001
(Across from Central High School)

LESS THAN 2 BLOCKS FROM WOU!

Christmas Kids Program
SUNDAY, DEC. 18TH, 11 am
ASL interpretation available
Servicio en Español 2 pm

Candlelight Communion Christmas Eve

SATURDAY, DEC. 24TH, 6 - 6:30 pm
No service Christmas Day
189 Monmouth Ave. S

Praise. praiseonline.net

Come Join Us!

Christmas Eve Mass
4:00 pm & 10:00 pm

Christmas Day Mass 9:00 am

St. Philip Catholic Church
825 SW Mill, Dallas • 503-623-2440

The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will start at 7:00 pm

The Christmas Morning Service will start at 10:30 am

The New Year's Eve Party will be at 7:00 pm.
Bring your favorite games and snacks.

Dallas First Christian Church
1079 SE Jefferson St., Dallas
503-623-2569