# The Chapel Family Bible Reading Program – December 24<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> Doing Life Together – Christmas According to Jesus

**MONDAY:** 

**KEY VERSE:** A CHRISTMAS EVE PRAYER

**OBSERVATION:** May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child. Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

**TUESDAY:** 

**KEY VERSE:** A CHRISTMAS DAY PRAYER

**OBSERVATION**: Father, today I celebrate the reality of Your presence in my life. I celebrate Your birth, Your life, Your death, and Your resurrection. And as I celebrate, Lord, help me to be "God with skin on" to those in need around me. Open my eyes and let me see them as You see them! I love You. Happy birthday Jesus! In Jesus name, Amen.

#### **WEDNESDAY:**

**KEY VERSE:** A PRAYER FOR PEACE DURING CHRISTMAS

**OBSERVATION:** For those whose hearts are battered by sorrow or broken relationships, for those whose lives know only conflict and confusion, for those whose bodies are tired and tested beyond their ability to endure this year—precious Savior, draw them close to You. Let them know You are still the same Jesus who was born of a virgin, not in a hospital but an animal barn, laid in a manger of hay. You are still the One sent by a heavenly Father who offered not condemnation for our sins, but love and forgiveness—and daily, divine fellowship.

## **THURSDAY:**

**KEY VERSE:** A PRAYER FOR PEACE DURING CHRISTMAS

**OBSERVATION:** For those whose hearts are battered by sorrow or broken relationships, for those whose lives know only conflict and confusion, for those whose bodies are tired and tested beyond their ability to endure this year—precious Savior, draw them close to You. Let them know You are still the same Jesus who was born of a virgin, not in a hospital but an animal barn, laid in a manger of hay. You are still the One sent by a heavenly Father who offered not condemnation for our sins, but love and forgiveness—and daily, divine fellowship.

### FRIDAY:

**KEY VERSE:** A PRAYER TO KEEP CHRISTMAS SIMPLE

**OBSERVATION**: Dear Lord, don't let us miss You this Christmas season. Help us to simplify our activities and traditions so we can focus our celebration on Your birth. Thank You for being the Prince of Peace, and I ask You for that supernatural peace to reign in our hearts. Thank You for the simple but life-changing message of Your love for us. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

## **SATURDAY:**

**KEY VERSE:** A PRAYER FOR THE DAYS AFTER CHRISTMAS

**OBSERVATION:** Dear God, Help us to focus on you today, remembering that the gift of Christ, Immanuel, is our most treasured gift for the whole year through. Fill us with your joy and the peace of your Spirit. Direct our hearts and minds towards you. Thank you for your reminder that both in seasons of celebration and in seasons of brokenness, you're still with us. You never leave us. Thank you for your daily Presence in our lives, that we can be assured your heart is towards us, your eyes are over us, and your ears are open to our prayers. Thank you that you surround us with favor as with a shield, we are safe in your care. We choose to press in close to you today... In Jesus' name, Amen.