Friendship International



DECEMBER 6, 2024

MEANING OF ADVENT

What is "Advent?" Everywhere you turn, you can find another Advent calendar, something fun for children to open each day in December leading up to Christmas on December 25th. These are often filled with small toys, candy, chocolate, or even money.

In the Christian church, the season of Advent is the four Sundays leading up to Christmas Day.

Advent literally means "coming" or "arrival" and it's a period of time in which Christians look forward to the coming of Jesus Christ on Earth. His birth is the very reason we celebrate Christmas.

In my kids Advent calendar, in addition to candy each day, we include a verse from the Bible that tells about the birth of Jesus that they take turns reading out loud.

Also sometimes they get a small note that tells them to do something – "Help Mommy with the dishes" or "Tell everyone about a favorite memory from this past year."

These small actions help them develop an understanding, a purpose, and a sense of awe about anticipating Christ's birth.

Of course kids are going to be excited about things like presents! Aren't we all? But for those of us who know Jesus, we also use the Advent season to reflect and meditate on what He has done for us and to look forward with excitement to the celebration of His birth.



UPCOMING DATES

December 6 Christmas Decorations

December 13 Christmas Program with Sarah

Thomas Baldwin

December 20 Extended Class/Last FI of the

semester

December 25 Christmas Day

January 17 First Friendship Meeting of the

Spring Semester

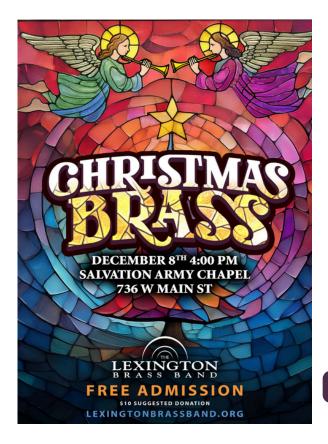
WILMORE OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS

Saturday, December 7th
FREE EVENT

Christmas fun for the family! Stroll the streets of Wilmore (south of Lexington) with open houses, art fair, train rides, official tree lighting, musical concerts located throughout town, downtown shopping, food, singing, vendors.

Click here for the full schedule of events for the day (as seen to the right)





CHRISTMAS BRASS CONCERT

Sunday, December 08, 2024 4:00 - 5:30PM

Salvation Army Chapel
736 W Main St
Lexington, KY
FREE admission, \$10 suggested donation

The Lexington Brass Band, a traditional British style ensemble, presents a program of holiday favorites including music by Leroy Anderson, Stephen Bulla, Vince Guaraldi, and much more. Come and enjoy old and new favorites!

Click here for more information



EASY CHRISTMAS TREAT - KIDS CAN HELP!



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