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Light the World

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Hi Penny Creek Ward friend,

I hope you had a truly thankful Thanksgiving. If there was ever a time when we needed the peace and serenity of being thankful, this year was it for sure. So I hope you were blessed by following President Nelson's invitation to share something you were thankful for and pray every day for 7 days. Did the promise come true for you? Did you feel happier and more at peace?

I did.

Each day, as I thought about all the things I was thankful for and then deciding which one to share, what to write, and what pictures I could possibly share, it helped me have a deep sense of appreciation for many things in my life. And because of that, I was happier and more at peace.

And, of course, as I read all the things other members of the church were grateful for it made me happy that I was part of a great movement to bless the world with peace and happiness.

He did call it a 'personal gratitude journal.' Maybe that would be a good idea for us every day. Not necessarily share it, but keep a personal journal where we write down things we are grateful for.

There are so many things to be thankful for, even during this year of struggle. Sometimes it takes a prophet to help us remember how blessed we are and what's truly important in life.

President Nelson is truly a prophet for our day.

I'm thankful for you. You make this ward unique. You bless others with your service, testimony, and example. We would be a different ward without you.

I'm glad you're here.

This next month we'll be focused on remembering Jesus Christ.

So, I'd like to inform you about some things you can do to prepare yourself for Christmas.

The church has a great site that will give you hope and help you light the world as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Watch the videos and use the resources to feel the light of Christ in your life, and share that light with others.

Go to: <https://www.comeuntochrist.org/light-the-world-2020>

There's also a Facebook group with all kinds of resources and videos here: https://www.facebook.com/ComeUntoChrist/?cid=email-MC_LightTheWorld2020_110620_WatchParty

Apparently there's a 'watch party' tonight at 5:00pm for a behind-the-scenes video about the making of The Christ Child video. That looks interesting.

Of course, there's also our Penny Creek Ward Facebook group you're welcome to join here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/884352919063571/?ref=share>

And I encourage you to get to know our ward members better as you read stories on our ward web site here:

<http://pennycreek.org>

The latest story is by Todd Wood, who shares a special event from his youth that was a foundation for his testimony of the gospel: <http://pennycreek.org/2020/11/28/i-am-a-child-of-god/>

I'm looking forward to reading your story.

We're also planning something fun and interesting (and pandemic safe) for our annual ward Christmas party, so stay tuned for more details.

You can't stop the Penny Creek (ward) from running!

Thank you for being a part of our ward family.

And for being you.

Take care and prepare.

Bishop Williams

P.S. Those in Group A (last names beginning with A thru L) are welcome to join us in person for Sacrament meeting today. Everyone else can watch the live broadcast here:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzQM_SmjDFmwHAA6lfjtseg/live

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