

(HOW CAN THAT BE?)

Scripture and Prayer: Luke 2:4-7 "So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to

Judea, to Bethlehem the town. Mary,. While they were there,

Vs 7 and she gave birth to her first born, a son. She wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and placed Him in a manger, because there was no room in the inn." Isaiah 7:14 "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign; The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son and will call Him Immanuel." Isaiah 9:6 "for to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders, And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, mighty God, Everlasting father, Prince of peace." David in Psalm 18:35 sings "You (God) give me Your shield of Victory and Your right hand sustains me; You stoop down to make me great." NIV

> (Isaiah written 701-681 BC" **Shernette Wallace**

Carol: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" **Congregation 115 SDA** 

Jim Ball **Special:** "Sweet Little Jesus Boy"

Intro. Somehow I find in this mortal's mind these scenes create an awesome picture for me to explain. How could Immanuel ever be born? (Incarnate)? How could Deity stoop so low to be born in human frailty? How could He make me great? And to top that off being born in a manger then living in Nazareth the pits.

Note: In Ghana I had to find a restroom in the where they sold Kenti cloth it cost me a quarter. (Describe! Manger! Nazareth! Mary and Joseph!)

"Away In A Manger" Carol: **Congregation 120 SDA** 

**Special: Christmas Medley Bob Phang, Wilmer Hechanova** 

"Mary Did You Know?" **Special:** Tatianna Escobar

Poem: Misti Bischoff "The pearly gates swung open wide

> Unable to stem the joyful tide Angels flooded the midnight sky Hoping to hear the Baby's first cry But no matter how hard they had tried Why trust Christ's birth to human pride?"

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Responsive: Reading: Romans 11:33 NIV Bob and Jann Biegel

Leader: "Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and know the knowledge of God!"

Congregation: vs7 "In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sin, in accordance with His riches of Gods grace.' Eph. 1:7, 8 NIV

Leader: vs8 "that He Lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding."

Congregation: "How Great is the Love the Father has Lavished on us, that we should be called children of God." I John 3:1 NIV

Leader: "But because of His Great Love for us, God, who is Rich in Mercy, v5 made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions, it is by Grace you have been Saved." Eph.2:4,5 NIV

Congregation: "I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being." Eph. 3:16 NIV

Leader: "and to Know this Love that surpasses knowledge-that you may be filled to the measure of all the Fulness of God." Eph. 3:19

Carol: "Hark The Herald Angels Sing" Congregation 122 SDA

Special: "Silent Night, Holy Night (Flute) Brandi Van Meter

Special: "A Christmas Medley" (Piano) Diana Cefalo

Poem: Cheri Hoie

"In Heaven's prophetic eyes Mary cuddles life's greatest prize And nurtures His needful cries Singing Psalm's loving Iullabies."

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Special: "Noel" Brandi Van Meter

Special: "The Living God" Jim Ball

Carol: "Angels We Have Heard On High" Congregation 142 SDA

Note: "I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that

you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of His

glorious inheritance of His saints." Eph. 1:18 NIV

Benediction: Dwight Winslow

Pianist Diana Cepfalo