



Joe McDonald Ministry
Isaiah 6:8

The Evangelism Trail –Christmas 2024



Merry Christmas! Our first Christmas Parade was the Tillman’s Corner Parade on Dec 7. We had 12 precious riders who handed out 2,500 Jesus items to the spectators. The Alums-Dobson Sunday School class at Luke 4:18 pictured here, helped us on two Sundays prepare almost 1,000 items to hand out. Kim and Trisha Mobley came in from Hamilton, GA to help



and furnished many items. The Dawes Parade is Saturday Dec 14th starting at 1:00 PM. Thanks to everyone that prayed for us and all our family and friends that worked hard to allow thousands to learn about Jesus and the Message of Salvation.



We were able to make a generous donation to “Casa de Pan” in Tegucigalpa, Honduras for food and Christmas gifts for their youth feeding programs for seventy-one children, families, and others.

We had a great training at “The Mission of Hope” in November with “The Power of the Father’s Legacy.” We’ll be back on December 20th for our last one this year.



“For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.”. Luke 2:11-12

Thank you for another year in 2024 of financial and prayer support that means so much as we travel and share “The Good News” and “Take the Light into the Dark Places.” There are many people who live in a dark world, both young and old that need to hear “the message of grace” that we are called, as Christians, to share. 2025 is going to be a big year with lots of travel both in and out of the country. Please keep us in your daily prayers.

“But as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, even so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God who tests our hearts.” 1 Thessalonians 2:4 NKJV

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all from Joe McDonald Ministry!

Be sure to read the McDonald family Christmas letter on the back of this page!

McDonald Christmas 2024



My heart is full and sad at the same time. We have so many blessings and delights with the new babies added to our family and yet, it is our first Christmas without my mommy, Norma. Now that she is in Heaven singing with the angels, comfortable, happy, no worries, I must reflect on how my sisters, Micki and Karen, and my brother, John, partnered with me to provide her daily care. It blesses me to think that she had a good life, loved Jesus, and was loved and cared for until the end (or the beginning.)

One of the sweet lessons of her passing is that there are people out there who are lonely and don't have a Micki, Karen, John, or Patti to check on them. God has given me a new "job" visiting friends as I can and sharing Jesus' love with them.

The fam has been very busy this year. Let me give you some highlights...

Andrea has moved into a new job as a Probation Officer. She was always busy but more so now. Laura, Joey, Peyton (9) and Emmy (1) enjoyed a double birthday party at Nanny and Pawpaw's in November.

Jennifer, Ellis, Olivia (22) and Mitchell (14) built a beautiful home in New Brockton, Alabama. Ellis retired from the Army as a Major and was able to secure a fantastic job in the civilian world. Jennifer adores cooking and baking for her family in her new home! Olivia is a budding artist, goes to trade shows and does amazing caricatures. Mitchell is working on his basketball skills.

Nicole, David, and Mallory (18) are always on the go. David with his work for a Distributing Company and Nicole and Mal working many jobs at Cottage Hill Baptist Church. Mallory graduated from CHCA in May and will go to school in January to be a sonographer. Kathleen, Phillip, and Eli (1) just announced that baby sister, Eden, is coming in May 2025. Ryan and Skylar are the sweetest little "marrieds" in the world, we just toured their home and it's beautiful!

Sarah, John, and JJ (17) are basketball heads. John, as head coach at Trinity in Dallas, JJ, as (our) star player. Sarah works hard (and drives a lot) as a nanny to two young children. Brittany and Jacelynn are roomies and all grown up, with careers and apartments.

Joey and Veronica are our lovely neighbors, every ready to help watch the house when we are gone. Joey is the facilities director at CHBC, where the kids attend school and cousins and aunts work. Veronica just published her Heart of Flesh Literary Journal (online) Volume 12. Mia (12,) Joey, Jr. (11 next week) and Naomi (6) keep busy with sports, including Scholars Bowls (mental sports,) music, piano and guitar.

Sean is in Alexander City with Plantkinetics and doing well, Mikaela (16) is driving (yikes,) Cole (15) is built like an Olympic athlete, size thirteen shoe! Alex (12) is Sean's scholar, making us proud, always (as they all are!)

I am so thankful for these people in my life. Joe and I (as he said) never dreamed that God would bless us so when we married in 1971. The ministry is doing great, and we have many awesome adventures to accomplish in 2025. Merry Christmas to all!

Love,

Joe and Patti

Thank you for your generous support as we continue to share Jesus with everyone we meet. 2025 may be our best year yet! Happy New Year!

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