

# The Lamp Newsletter

*He is Risen*

DEATH COULD NOT HOLD HIM.

Rejoice in the resurrection of

*Jesus Christ.*



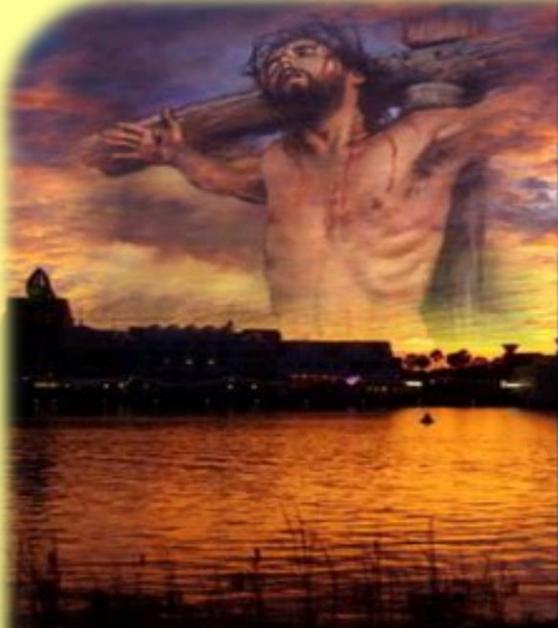
WISHING YOU A BLESSED AND JOY FILLED EASTER!



***Rejoice! Rejoice! It is time for a great celebration.***

*Alleluia!*  
**HE IS RISEN!**





**"But he was pierced  
for our transgressions,  
he was crushed for  
our iniquities;  
the punishment that  
brought us peace  
was upon him,  
and by his wounds  
we are healed."**

**Isaiah 53:5**





**Wanda J. Burnside,  
Founder and Publisher**



## **IT IS FINISHED!**

**Dear Readers,**

**There are no sweeter words than to hear the three words of great accomplishment: *"It is finished."* When you have a major job or even a tiny annoying task you just can't wait to get it done! You want it over! That's all that you want! You want the weight of the responsibility off of you! You are through!**

**Then, when you are put in the position of having someone do something for you, all you want for them to do is get it done right and on time. You don't want any excuses for why that person couldn't finish what you need or asked when they promised to do it.**

**It is so upsetting to expect to get your car out of the repair shop to only get there and hear the mechanic say, *"Tomorrow it will be ready."* You don't want to hear the plumber say, *"I can't fix the toilet today. I have to come back tomorrow and work on it."* You sure don't want to hear your children or child say, *"I can't do my homework. I'm not finished yet!"* Women, oh, it gets on your nerves to arrive on time for your hair appointment to only hear your beautician say, *"I'm not finished with those two heads under the dryer. And, I have that one at the shampoo sink. Please take a seat."* And, what about at the doctor's office, *"Sorry, the doctor is running behind. He's not finished with the patient in room A."***

## **JESUS SAID, *"IT IS FINISHED!"***

Jesus came to live by example and performed great miracles: He healed the sick, raised the dead, preached the gospel, talked about the Kingdom of God, casted the devil out, taught us how to pray, showed us the way to eternal life, and laid down His life for us.

*"Therefore, it was necessary for him to be made in every respect like us, his brothers and sisters, so that he could be our merciful and faithful High Priest before God. Then he could offer a sacrifice that would take away the sins of the people,"* (Hebrews 2:17 NLT).

**He came to redeem us!**

*"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he has sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord,"* ( Luke 4:18-19 ASV).

Satan wanted Him to give up and give in to temptations, but Jesus didn't! Jesus was tested on every hand, but He passed each test! He was tried, but He did not surrender. He stood strong! He was lied on, but He did not say a word. Judas sold Jesus for 30 pieces of silver, but Jesus did not fight back! Jesus was denied by Peter, but Jesus did not rebuke him or defend Himself!

**I am rejoicing! Glory to God! Thank You, Jesus! JESUS! You finished what you came here to do! You completed your assignment! You did not fail! You made it FROM THE MANGER to LIVE AMONG US to THE CROSS to THE TOMB to RISE AGAIN! You are VICTORIOUS! Thank You, Lord!**

**On the cross...**

*"When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **It is finished:** and he bowed his head, and gave up his spirit,"* (John 19:30 ERV).

When I was searching the internet, studying about Jesus' mission on earth, I discovered a truly interesting and informative article. It is written by Dan Corner. I have given you the topics that he covers, however, if you want to read his entire article please go to: [www.evangelicalOutreach.Org](http://www.evangelicalOutreach.Org) or [www.EternalLifeBlog.com](http://www.EternalLifeBlog.com)



# Do You Know the Multiple Reasons Why Jesus Came to Earth?

*By Dan Corner*

**Jesus Came to**  
*Cause Family Divisions*

**Jesus Came to Earth to**  
*Save Lost Mankind*

**Jesus Came to**  
*Testify to the Truth*

**Jesus Came to**  
*Destroy the Devil's Work and Free People of the Fear of Death*

**Jesus Came to Earth to**  
*Taste Death for Everyone*

**Jesus Came**  
*So We Could Have Life and Have It to the Full*

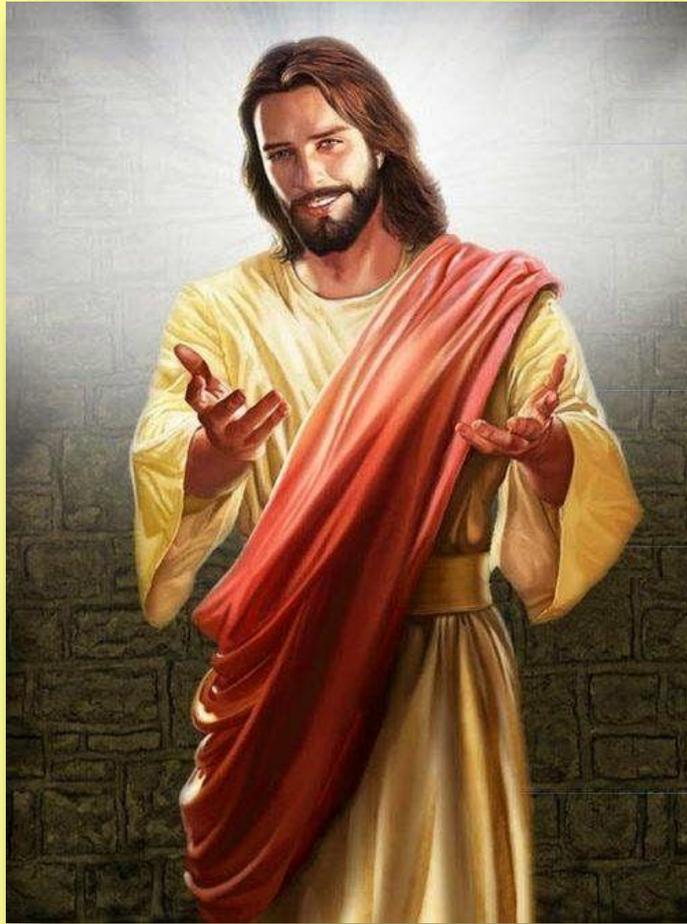
**Jesus Came to Earth to**  
*Preach in Various Places*

**Jesus Came to**  
*Fulfill the Law and Prophets*

**Jesus Came to Earth to**  
*Serve and Give His Life as a Ransom*

**Jesus Came**  
*as a Light and Not to Judge*

**Jesus**  
*Shed His Precious Blood for Us*



## **JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD and SAVIOR**

***“The thief cometh not, but that he may steal, and kill, and destroy:  
I came that they may have life, and may have it abundantly”***  
(John 10:10, ASV).

***“I have told you this, so that you might have  
peace in your hearts because of me.  
While you are in the world, you will have to suffer.  
But cheer up!  
I have defeated the world”***  
(John 16:33, CEV).



## Heaven's Rainbow

*by Ramelle T. Lee*

**The day you gave Jesus your heart,  
God made a rainbow  
In heaven for you!  
Trumpet sounds announced your new birth  
and  
Heaven never stopped rejoicing  
To God Be the Glory!  
Every day of your life  
God is still shining on you!**

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*"Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live again. And everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"*

**(John 11:25-26 ESV).**

## *A Word of Great Hope from the UK – London...*



**Christine V. Mitchell,  
Ministry Leader and Staff Writer**



*We Have a Living Hope Through Christ!*

*“Praise be to the God and Father  
of our Lord Jesus Christ!  
In his great mercy,  
He has given us new birth  
into a living hope,  
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ  
from the dead”.*

*(1 Peter 1:3, NIV)*



## ***Resurrection News from Australia...***



**Minister Sandra Hickman  
Ministry Leader and  
Staff Writer**



### ***He's Alive!***

On that early Resurrection morning, Mary ran... as fast as she could! The pounding on the rough dry road sent clods of parched earth spraying beneath her sandals; her feet were barely visible in the thick clouds of dust! Her heart was racing madly, keeping impossible time in rhythm to the pounding of her feet.

Thoughts, crazy thoughts had filled her mind! He's gone, He's gone! ... Someone took Him ... NO.... He, He couldn't.... it can't be? But then, He said He would! Oh God, let it be so!

*And now, she knew it was.*

She had seen Him! He spoke, His voice unmistakable, "*Go, and tell my brethren....*"

Running swiftly with the truth healing her heart, her spirit began singing in agreement, resonating deep inside. Breathless and trembling she hurtled into their presence. The disciples were shocked at the sight of her! There was an urgency about her. Mary had an incredulous look in her eyes wide with promise, wild impassioned panting stealing her breath, trying to articulate the words echoing inside her brain.

*“What’s happened? They yelled, “Tell us!”*

Completely undone, with a sob catching her voice and tears of ecstasy spilling over from her eyes, Mary Magdalene, apostle of the Good News of Easter breathed out words of destiny....

*“He’s alive! He’s alive.....”*

*Inspired by - John 20: 1-18 - NJKV.*

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## *Always Remember Jesus*

By Michele Gardner-Barnes

Life is so full of so much. Daily we are confronted with one thing and another. We get worn out and stressed out with routines and sudden challenges. Things can get overwhelming.

However, there is no other special time than when I am with the Lord. I love to be in His presence. We can enter into His presence in prayer, Bible reading and fasting. The other time is when we remember Him in Holy Communion. There is such a special place in taking of body, the eating of the bread and the drinking of the wine, the blessed juice, representing Jesus' blood. Let us remember to be obedient to partake in this great fellowship with Jesus.

*26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. 27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; 28 For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. 29 But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom. 30 And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives*

*(Matthew 11: 26-30, KJV)*



*In Loving Memory of  
Ramelle T. Lee's Beloved Mother....*

## *Mother Barbara Laverne Lee*

*July 3, 1924 – March 17, 2017*

**92 Years of Life**



**Mother Lee is seated. Standing behind her is a devoted and loving daughter, Ramelle.  
Ramelle is a dedicated staff writer for The Lamp Newsletter.**

Mother Lee truly loved the Lord. She was a blessing to her husband, children (3), family, church, community and many. She graduated from Tennessee State University. Mother Lee received several honors from her college for various accomplishments. She was a founding member of Greater Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Southwest Detroit, MI. Reverend Randolph Thomas is the pastor. Mother Lee was a very giving supporter to our newsletter and various other ministries.





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