

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

FROM MR. OVERHOLTZER
FOR THE CEF® FAMILY TODAY



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An excerpt by
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from the early 1950s.

Christmas is Drawing Near...

One more time the birth of Jesus will be celebrated in all the churches of this country and in many other countries. The world also celebrates Christmas, but without thinking about receiving Christ as the Savior of their souls.

We have observed over the years that in our churches, in general, there is not much evangelism during the Christmas season. This is very sad. We forget there is no salvation in the birth of Christ. We can believe that He was born of a virgin, and that He truly is the Son of God, and still not be saved.

We have noticed during the Christmas season that the hearts of children are turned toward the Lord Jesus. And so, if we do our part, we can make this season the most fruitful season of the year, winning children for Christ.

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Christmas Party Clubs are a great opportunity to share the Gospel with children. CPCs were launched at International Conference in 2021. Launching seminars were conducted in all eight regions in 2022. We expect to reach 10 million children through CPCs in 2022.

In a large party of a Sunday school, I had the opportunity to present the Gospel to children and give them an invitation to accept Christ as Savior. The result was surprising. Many children responded to the invitation. In every Christmas program we must do what I did in that Sunday school.

We ask our workers to do open air evangelism and we have discovered that especially during the Christmas season, children are looking unto Christ. This is why it is so easy to give them the salvation message and guide them to accept Christ as Savior.



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