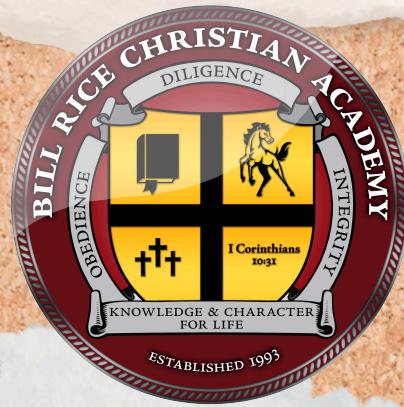


# MUSTANG MESSAGE

December  
2025



## Your Christmas Perspective

by Nathan Reeves

Most events in life are perceived differently by different people. If I mentioned a current event to twenty people, I'd probably get twenty different perspectives. Take the World Series, for instance—the Dodgers beat the Blue Jays. One person might be thrilled, another might be severely disappointed, another might not care, and yet another might say, "I thought the Philadelphia Eagles won the World Series!"

Now what if I mentioned Christmas? **What does Christmas mean to you?** If you really think it through, it may mean one or more of many different things. It might mean fun family traditions that have been passed down through the years. It might be a time to show someone how much you really love them by giving them gifts. It might bring many fond memories through social gatherings. Or it might just bring much-needed vacation time to spend with your family.

While Christmas may take on many different perspectives, the perspectives do not change the historical significance (just like the fact that the Dodgers won the World Series doesn't change based on your perspective). Christmas in America is a time our nation originally set aside to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. While we may not know the exact date He was born, we still celebrate the fact that He was born on earth. Jesus was God's perfect Son who humbled Himself by coming down to earth as a babe and eventually dying for the sins of the world so we might go to heaven. I cannot explain why, but it's amazingly true!

Christmas represents not only a historical fact, but also great eternal significance. **The Bible says what you do with Jesus will determine where you spend eternity.** If you trust Him as your Savior, He will take you to heaven the day life on this earth ends for you. Has there been a specific time that you have trusted Jesus? I hope so. If you have not, right now realize you are a sinner, and call upon Jesus to save you from your sin. Christ died for all mankind, and He wants you to be in heaven one day with Him. If you are already saved, realize His love, and make Christ the focal point of this Christmas.

This year, let Christmas be important to you for the right reason.

# CURRENT EVENTS

## Dec. 12 Middle School Reward Trip

This is it! What they've all been working so hard for! Those who've earned it will go to their teacher's house for games & food.

## Dec. 19 Class Christmas Parties

The last day of school in 2025 will be filled with food and fun! Elementary students will go Christmas caroling around the Ranch at 1:00, and each class will enjoy a gift exchange (\$5-\$7)! School will dismiss at 2:00.

## Dec. 20-Jan. 4 Christmas Break

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all! Enjoy the two weeks with friends and family.

## Jan. 5 First Day Back!

# STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

**Sophia Labib:** Sophia has shown thankfulness all month long. Whether holding the door or receiving a special treat, she always says thank you! Way to go, Sophia!

**Kendall Cline:** Kendall remembers to show gratitude without being prompted. Thank you, Kendall!

**Kaia Forte:** Kaia is so thankful. She goes the extra mile to show thankfulness and adds a sweet smile with it!

**Bella Brasier:** Bella displays thankfulness daily! You will not find this young lady complaining or forgetting to say thank you!

**Claudine Joseph:** Claudine is great at saying "thank you"! She goes out of her way to express gratitude and appreciation when someone is kind or helpful. Keep it up, Claudine!

**Sophia Perez-Muniz:** Sophia shows thankfulness to her friends and, more importantly, to God. Keep up your grateful attitude, Sophia!

**Mila Robinson:** Mila has been consistent in saying "thank you" from day one of school. She has a contented expression throughout the day and accepts disappointment with courage.



## Character Trait of the Month

# INTEGRITY

**Definition:** state of being entire; honesty

### Examples:

1. Even if you might get into trouble, always tell your teacher the truth.
2. Never exaggerate the truth to your friends.