



THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

Christmas Letter

“A Virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel” (Matt 1.23)

Emmanuel – God is with us – loudly proclaims at this Christmas time, the breaking in of a transcendent God to our mortal and very human existence.

“God is with us” is not just a statement on a Christmas card or a line in a Christmas carol – it’s a reality every Christian preaches and witnesses to as we recognise God’s transforming work in our world.

This is a world where transformation is sorely needed – audible in the cries of the hungry and the lost, of those who seek for justice and right relationships one to another, and for an appropriate way of living which respects the environment and all of God’s creation.

All of this takes flesh, literally, at Christmastime, as we celebrate the events in Bethlehem 2000 years ago, and make them a reality in 2009.

My colleagues at the Anglican Communion Office join me in celebrating with our wider Anglican family the Good News of Christmas – Emmanuel, God is with us - and assure you of our prayers and hopes for a peaceful and meaningful Christmas, and a blessed New Year.

In the joy of the Incarnate Christ,

Kenneth Kearon .

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