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Dear Friends - THE TRADITION OF CHRISTMAS

The joy of Christmas brings the sound of sleigh bells on a cold Winter country night. The sound of Christmas songs are floating through the air. Homes are decorated with brightly colored lights. The family gathers round to gaily decorate an evergreen tree under which to place wrapped gifts for Christmas morning, left for the children by Santa Clause himself. Neighbors pop in with homemade cookies, spreading love and cheer and to share a mug of eggnog or hot apple cider.

I always remember the huge brightly decorated tree shining at the bottom of the stairs at Tanglewood, my Mom & Dad's home, where we had all arrived on Christmas Eve to be ready to open gifts the next morning!

Pocketbooks are opened wide to help those in need. We distribute hampers of food and gifts to the needy. The Salvation Army still has its kettles out where people are shopping, collecting money for the needy and wishing one and all a "Merry Christmas". There used to be music playing and carols sung! I miss that!

Where have the Carollers gone who were on the street corner singing Christmas songs or going door to door? Homes are decorated with Holly and with colored lights. The warmth of music and love surrounds us all. Churches are filled with those who always go to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, some only at that time.

This is what Christmas is all about. The Birth of Jesus Christ is celebrated by believers and non believers alike. Years ago most everyone celebrated Christmas Day.

Now it is politically correct to wish others a Happy Holiday. Me? I wish each and every one of you a Merry Christmas, keeping the tradition alive and well! May you be blessed indeed.

Love,

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