

ADVENT- HOPE "PULE" - Kahu Billy Mitchell, Nov.29.2020

Today begins a period called Advent on the Christian calendar that is marked by an expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the birth of the Christ and his second coming! Advent is synonymous with the word "hope"! Man cannot live without hope! Our lives are built on hope! Hope for: events to come, people to come, things to come, cures to come, loved ones to get well, monies to come, love to come, peace and joy to come . . . just for everything to go as hoped for. Maranatha, "Come Lord, come!"

The Ancient Jews had a Great Hope of the Coming of the Messiah that was Prophesied to Them in:

ISAIAH 9:1a-2 NIV Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. . . .²The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness, a light has dawned.

MATTHEW 1:23/ ISAIAH 7:14 NIV "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us").

ISAIAH 9:6-7 NIV (700 years before the Christ) ⁶ For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this. AMEN

1. The Pilikia = Displaced Hope = Limited Reality

Like hoping for a new donkey and God is trying to give you a new truck or car. They were bound and blinded by the lusting of their time and place! Their failure became our blessing! Thank you, Lord!

HOSEA 4:6 NIV my people are destroyed from lack of knowledge.

PROVERBS 5:23 NIV For lack of discipline they will die, led astray by their own great folly.

2. We Have No Excuse! Jesus Has Come! Jesus Is Coming Again Soon!

We Have The Word , The Preachers And The Holy Spirit!

ISAIAH 40:31NIV but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

JOHN 10:10 NIV The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

MATTHEW 24:44 NIV So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

REVELATION 22:12-13 NIV ¹²"Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

REVELATION 22:20 NIV He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

3. Encourage Others To Have The Same Hope As You, That Christ Will Return Soon!

PROVERBS 13:12 NIV Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a longing fulfilled is a tree of life.

Surf board / don't forget to: take food, call, text, say: "I love you!"

HEBREWS 10:24-25 NIV ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Remember:

"Our Ultimate Hope In Life Is That Jesus Has Come And He Is Coming Again Soon!"

"Stay Plugged In So You Don't Miss His Presence On Earth And His Second Coming!"

"Help Others To Have This Great Hope That We Have!" Amen

COMMUNION

Prayer of Confession Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you, in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Bread While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." **MATTHEW 26:26 NIV**

The Juice Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." **MATTHEW 26:27-28 NIV**