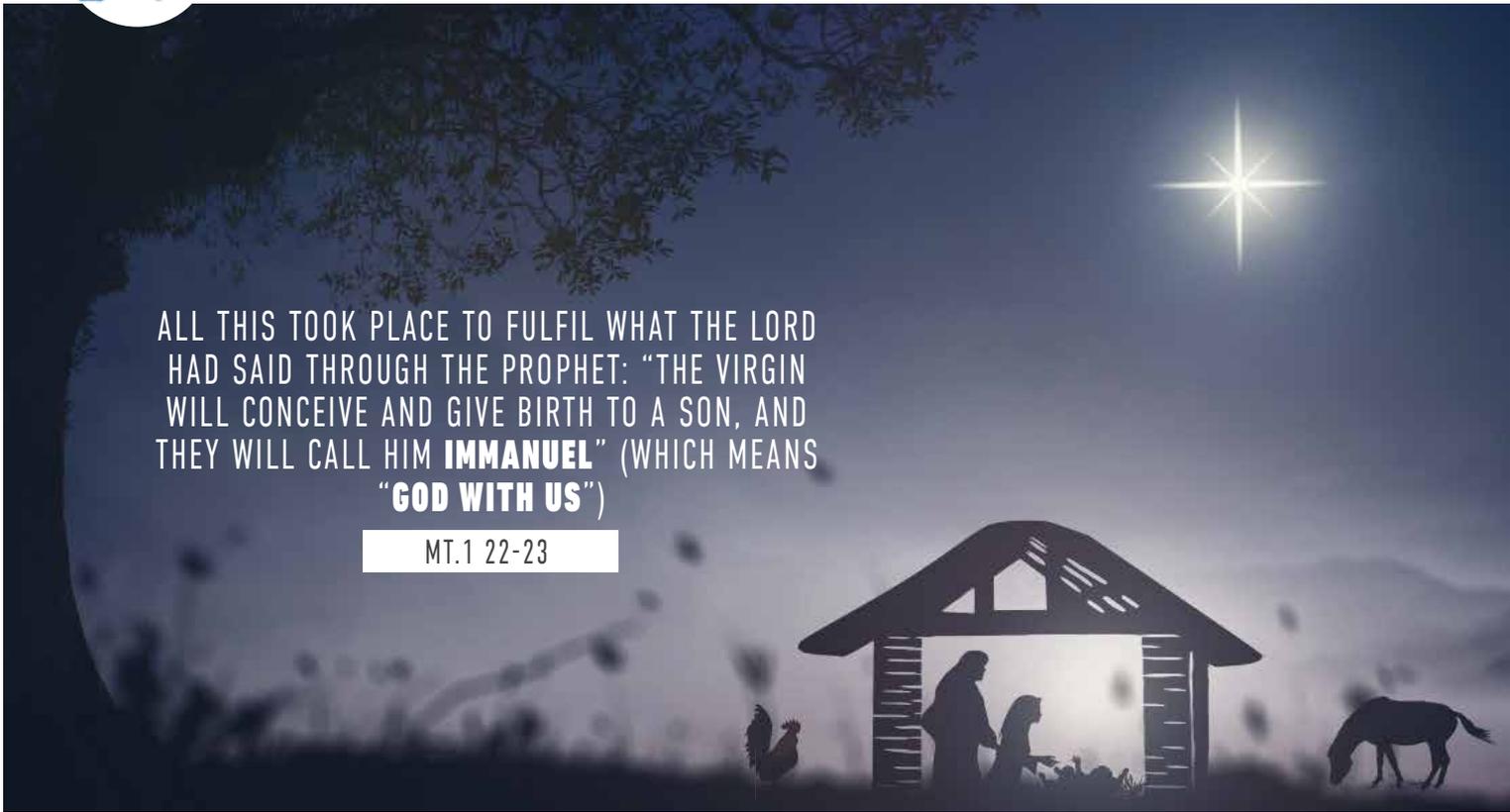




ALL THIS TOOK PLACE TO FULFIL WHAT THE LORD HAD SAID THROUGH THE PROPHET: "THE VIRGIN WILL CONCEIVE AND GIVE BIRTH TO A SON, AND THEY WILL CALL HIM **IMMANUEL**" (WHICH MEANS "**GOD WITH US**")

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Dear Friends of the Mission: What a year this has been! Back in March, we had no idea what was ahead for us all. Transitioning mission life during a pandemic, helping those in need, sharing a message of hope, in ways and volume we never experienced before. During these unique times, there remained one constant: *God is with us!*

New opportunities, significant alterations, divine protection, abundant provisions, renewed priorities, strengthened community (even with social distancing), stillness among chaos, listening, learning and confident: *God is with us.*

Enclosed are a few stories highlighting evidence of His presence with us, beginning with; **74,184 hot meal packs** served during the COVID crisis.

As we remember Jesus in special way during Christmas, possibly heightened after the year we have endured, in that sending His Son, Jesus (Immanuel): *God is with us.*

On behalf of us all at the Dublin Christmas Mission and The Light House, we wish you and your family a very blessed and fulfilling Christmas, remembering the gift of God that transformed the world and give God to us.



MERRY
Christmas



GOD WITH US DURING 2020

“ Many thanks for your help and Christianity, I received great kindness tonight from all at The Light House. God bless you and keep you. *Homeless friend.* ”

“ Sent off a card, I'm in my new home, months homeless is finally over, moved in last week, got the safe pass and hopefully starting work next week, gonna get you a big box of chocolates as a thanks when I get paid! *No longer homeless!* ”

“ I'm homeless and was sleeping on Grafton Street and my backpack with hygiene products and other belongings were stolen. I was wondering if you would have any spare backpack donated that could be any use to me, I'm lost without it. Thanks for all the great work you all do. *Through your generosity a full backpack was provided!* ”

“ You are truly an inspiration to lads who can turn their lives around. Keep up the good work. All the best, *James Street School Principal.* ”

“ It's our pleasure to help. It's great to know that the food is going to good use and making a difference to those who really need it. We're delighted to partner in bringing Kingdom, hope and renewal to the city. *Jobcare, our neighbour!* ”

“ I have been moved and inspired by all of you. I have witnessed Jesus' love and light in each of you as you humbly and tenderly care for all who cross your paths. Thank you for modelling what it means to be the hands and feet of Jesus. *Visitor.* ”

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We deeply appreciate your friendship, prayers and support.
May God bless you and keep you safe and well.
Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year,