

St Joseph's Advent Project 2020

'Giving Hope, Building a Future'

'Your kingdom come, your will be done, on Earth as it is in heaven.'

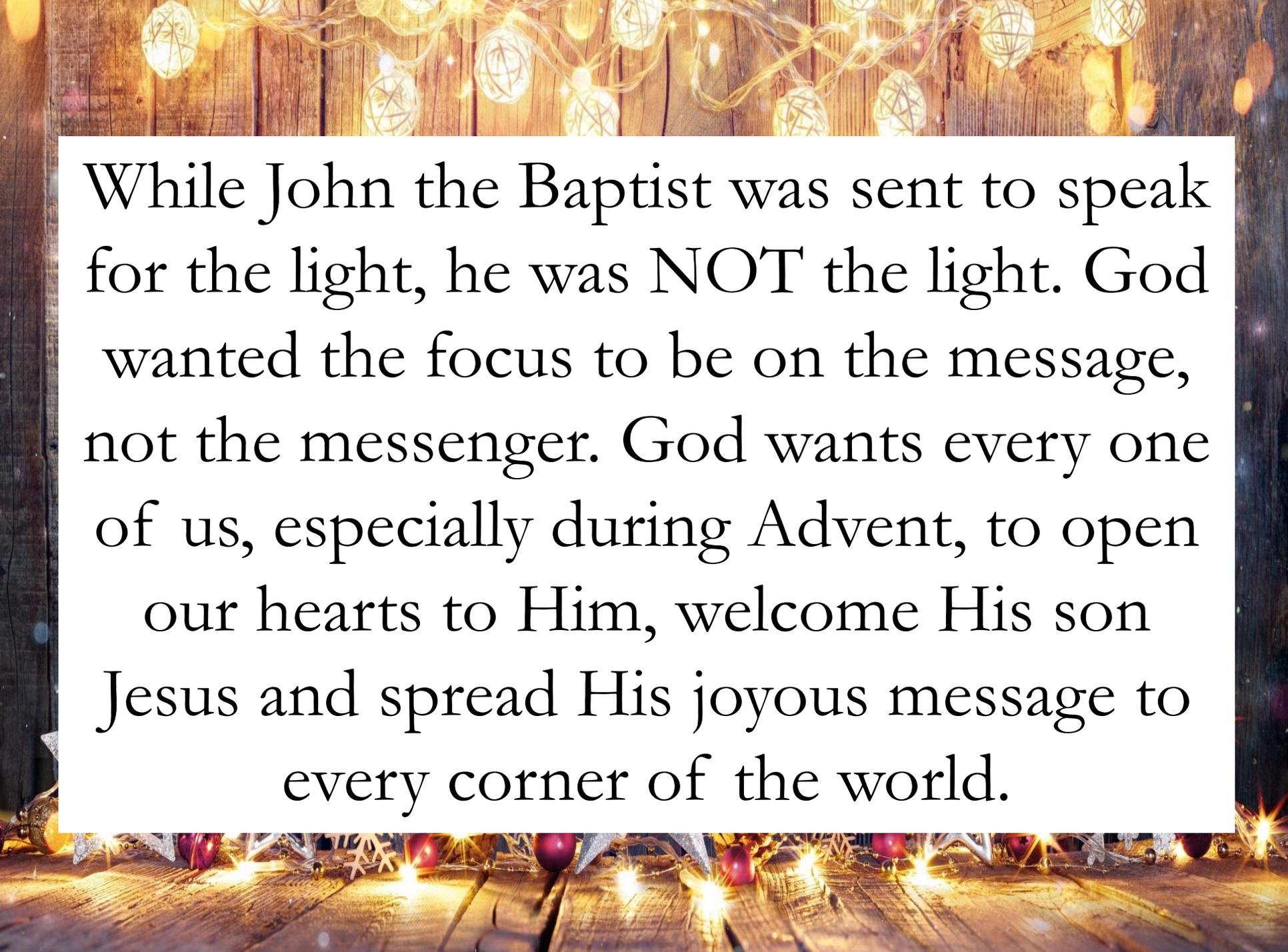
Matthew 6:10



Gaudete Sunday is the third Sunday of Advent, the day when we light the pink candle on the Advent Wreath. This is to emphasise our joy that Christmas is near.

Gaudete is a Latin word for 'rejoice'.





While John the Baptist was sent to speak for the light, he was NOT the light. God wanted the focus to be on the message, not the messenger. God wants every one of us, especially during Advent, to open our hearts to Him, welcome His son Jesus and spread His joyous message to every corner of the world.

John 1:6-8, 19-28

A man came sent by God, his name was John. He came as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him. He was not the light, but he came to speak for the light. This is how John appeared as a witness. When the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?"

He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah."

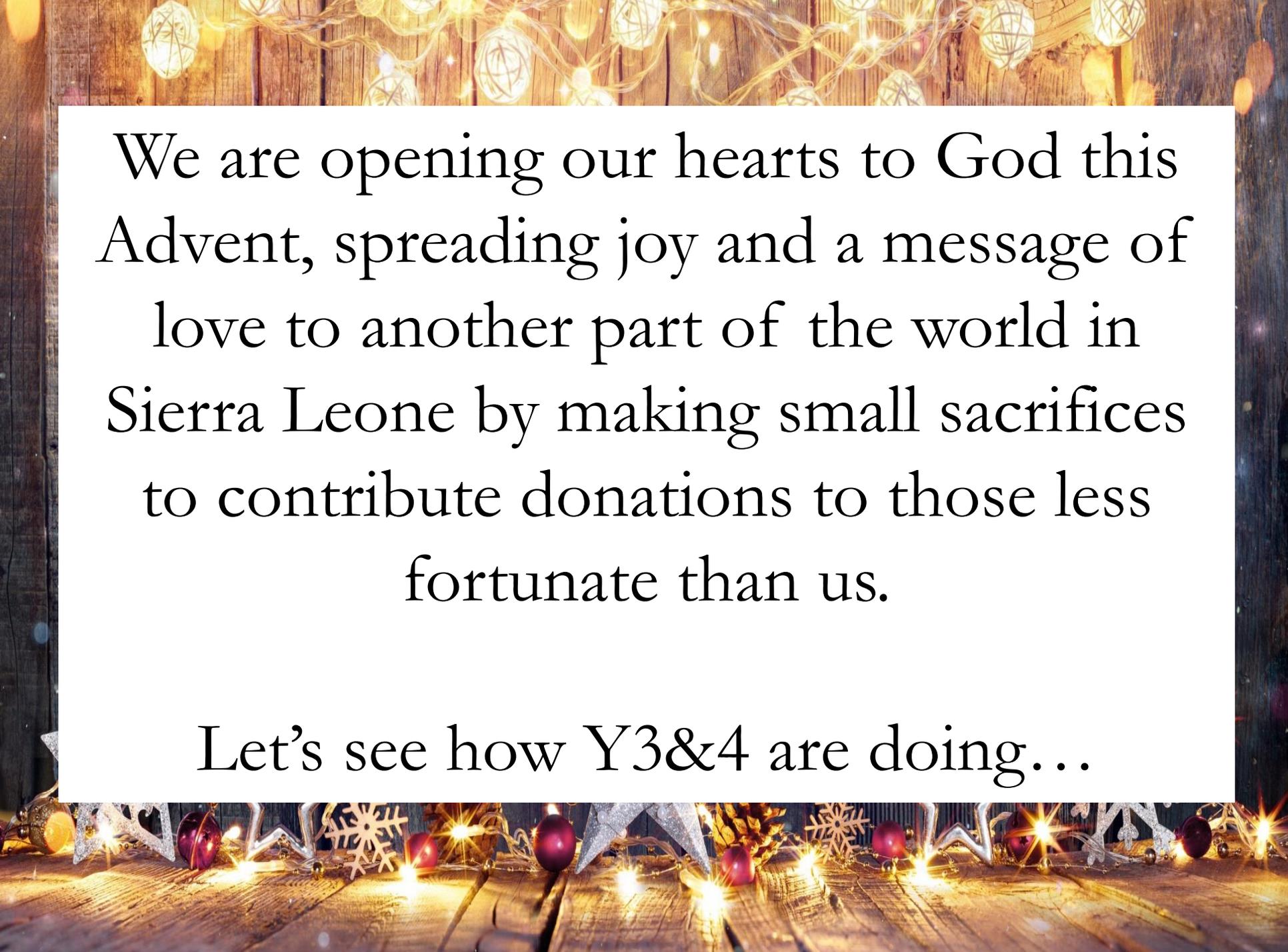
And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." Then they said to him, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?"

He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord.'"

Now they had been sent by the Pharisees. They asked him, "Why then are you baptising if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?"

John answered them, "I baptise with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not fit to undo his sandal strap." This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptising.

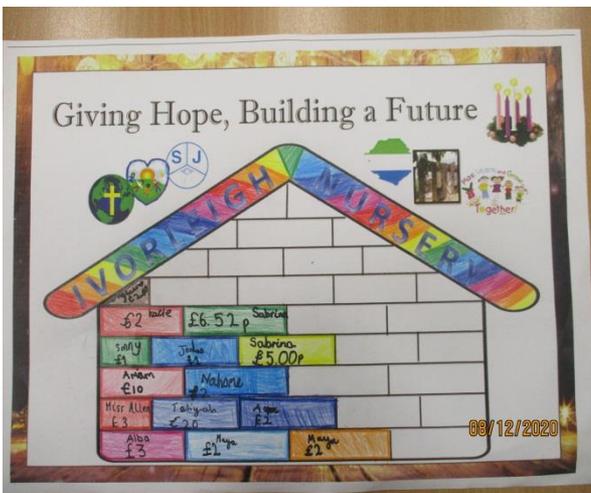




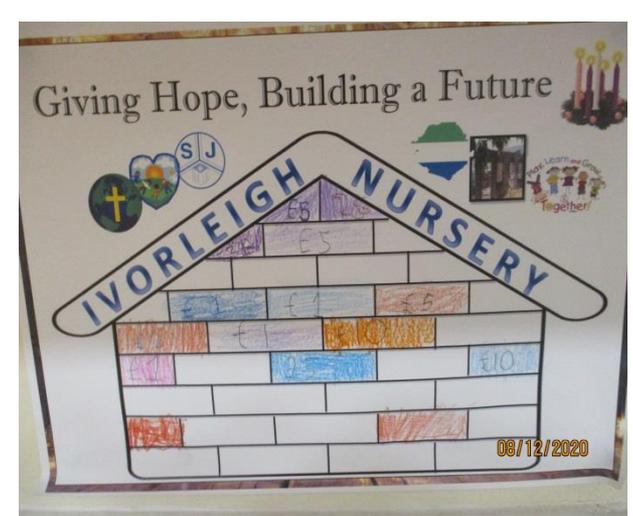
We are opening our hearts to God this Advent, spreading joy and a message of love to another part of the world in Sierra Leone by making small sacrifices to contribute donations to those less fortunate than us.



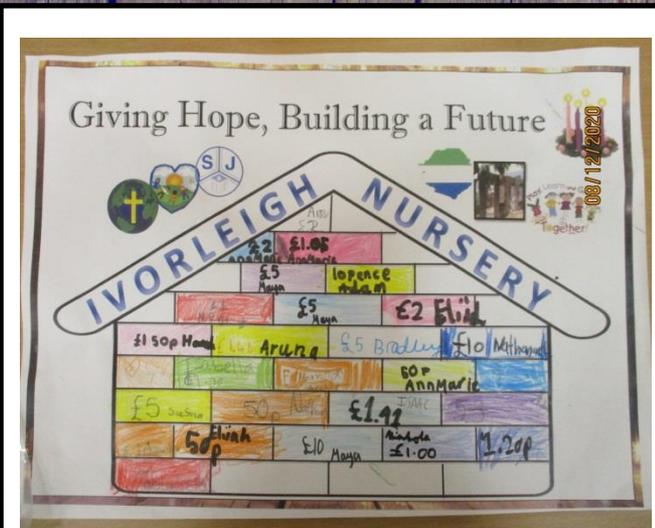
Let's see how Y3&4 are doing...



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Jesus,
You will come among
us once again to give us
your very life. May your
life's gift inspire us to
make our lives a gift to
those less fortunate.

Doing this we will
spread your joy across
the world.

Amen

