

**Since we can't gather as a ward to celebrate together, we are hosting a small drive-through activity.**

**Tuesday, December 8**, the bishopric will be in the church parking lot from **7pm to 8pm**. We will have a small handout for each vehicle that drives through. We hope to see you!

We will also be accepting optional donations from those that wish to donate to either of two causes.

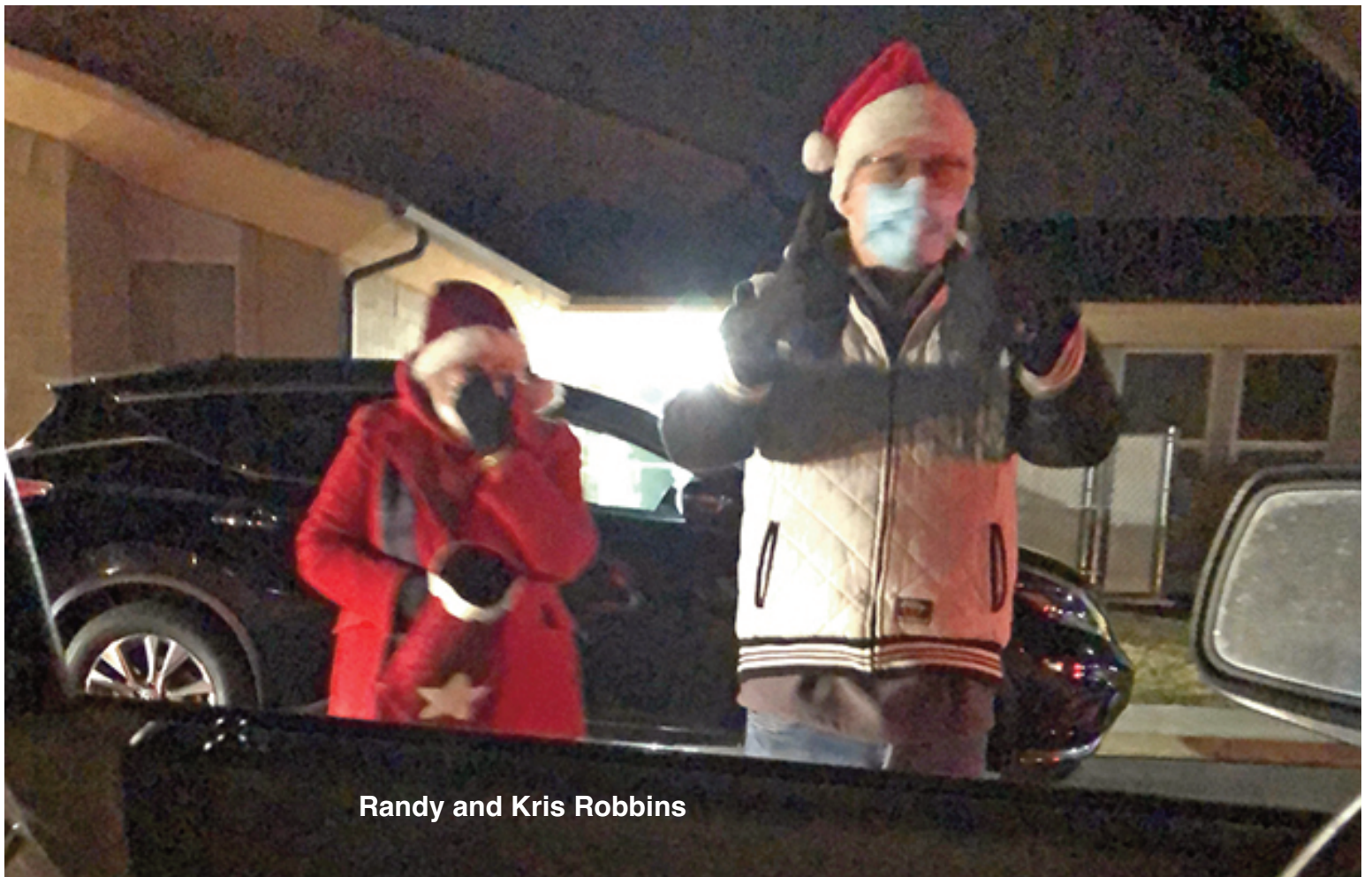
**1. The Utah Food Bank.**

Checks made out to the Utah Food Bank are high preferred, followed by cash. They can do more with our money than we can.

**2. Ward Sub-For-Santa.**

Walmart gift cards are preferred (please write the amount on the card in sharpie). These will be distributed to families in our ward by the bishopric within the week so that recipients have time to use them before Christmas.

**Donations are entirely optional!**



Randy and Kris Robbins

Bishop Joel Weight





And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria. All went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

There were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Now let us go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen. *Luke 2*

The birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ is the single most important moment in history. Which is what makes Christmas time so special, to celebrate His birth. It is my testimony that God Lives as does Jesus Christ. They love each of us and want us to return and live with them again. I hope each of you has a wonderful Christmas season this year. *Randy Robbins*

Jesus is the reason for this joyous season. He provides me assurance that believing in Him brings peace and long-term happiness. Wonderful. Counselor.... The Prince of Peace. *Greg Miles*

The Nephites shared, "no one can conceive of the joy which filled our souls at the time we heard him pray for us unto the Father." Jesus is also my advocate with the Father. He wants what's best for me. My love for Him brings me joy. I'm grateful to celebrate His birth and what it means to all of us. "Be of good cheer, [He has] overcome the world." *Joel Weight*

*Merry Christmas from the Indian Ridge Ward Bishopric*