

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
DECEMBER 24, 2017 AT 8:00 PM**



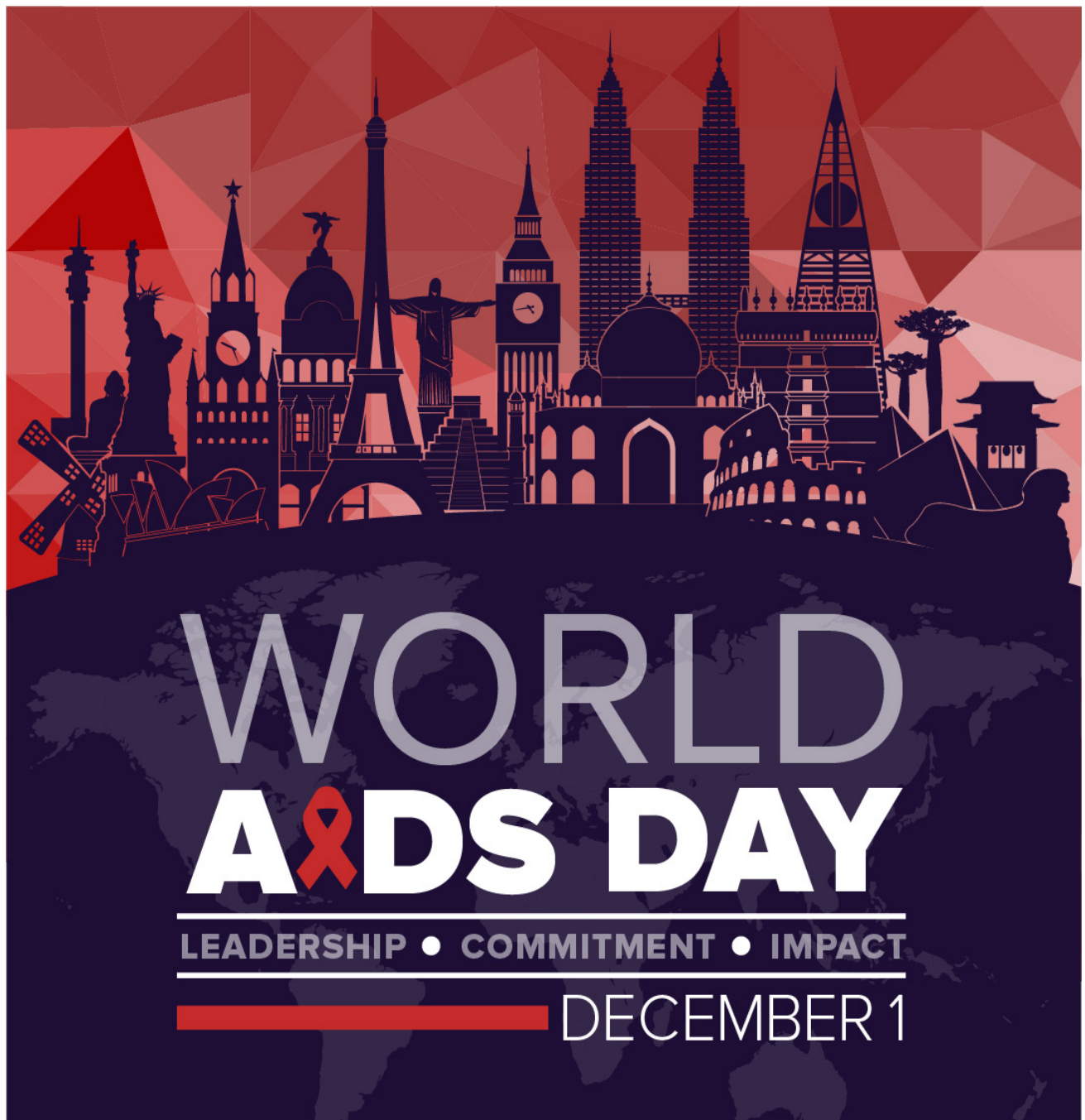
What Does The Advent Candle Mean?



- The wreath is made of various evergreens; they signify continuous life.
- The laurel signifies victory over persecution and suffering
- The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life found in Christ.
- Pine, holly, and yew, remind of us that God's love is eternal.
- Cedar reminds us of our strength in God and the healing power of our faith.
- Holly also has a special Christian symbolism: The prickly leaves remind us of the crown of thorns.
- Pine cones, nuts, or seedpods used to decorate the wreath also symbolize life and resurrection.

THE SYMBOLISM OF THE CANDLES

- 1st CANDLE – (Purple) THE PROPHECY CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF HOPE
- 2nd CANDLE – (Purple) THE BETHLEHEM CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF PEACE
- 3rd CANDLE – (Pink) THE SHEPHERD'S CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF JOY
- 4th CANDLE – (Purple) THE ANGEL CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF LOVE
- 5th CANDLE – (White) THE CHRIST CANDLE



Community Health Fair

December 1, 2017

9 am to 1 pm

Sponsored by: Hope Inc

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US



Lotus House is getting ready for the Holidays and they need your help to make this the happiest one yet!

MBCC will be collecting toys until
December 17th.

Please drop your donation in the toy chest
on the stage in Hice Hall.

***Please note, we cannot accept used toys, small toys that present a choking hazard, toys that are broken or missing parts, Barbie dolls, military/action/superhero figures or anything with simulated weapons. We also ask that the toys are unwrapped.