

Christmas Letters and Celebrations!

Christmas Letters

I love receiving Christmas letters! Here are two posts about writing letters your friends look forward to receiving!

[A Christmas Letter Tutorial](#)—6 tips on how to write one in an interesting fashion.



[5 Things I want to Read in Christmas Letters](#) *I'm looking forward to your letter!*

Don't disappoint me—and please include photos!

Parties and Food!



[How to Throw a Christmas Cookie Party](#)—We've been doing it for years! Recipes, decorating tips, practical suggestions, fun!

[An Angel Quiz for Christmas](#)—a silly game testing your angelology from tradition, Bible, & modern life. (Includes answers)

[Christmas and The Game for Gifts](#)—How to handle gift-giving with a crowd of disparate friends and relatives. Even the kids want to play!

[Christmas Eve in Food & Music](#)—How our family celebrates with song, service, and food.

[A Merry Yule Log to You!](#)—Our family's traditional Ule Log recipe and an adorable photo.

Music

What is a Christmas Carol? --Why not start with a definition?

Adventures with Christmas Carols—Poignant and silly experiences singing Christmas carols through the years (does NOT include Cub Scout versions).

Christina Rossetti and A Christmas Carol—a nineteenth century poem wrote a poem that became a carol sung at Christmas but really about the Second Coming. We give God our hearts.

“Break Forth” Johann Rist on the Nativity—an early 17-th century song about Jesus’s Nativity, still sung in many liturgical churches today.

Charles Wesley: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus—another poem set to music, that tells the whole story behind Jesus’s birth

From Heaven Above to Earth I Come --Of course, hymnologist/theologian Martin Luther and his family sang Christmas carols—but most importantly, why we sing them at Christmas!

A Strange Christmas Carol for Him --One of my favorite contemporary Christmas carols, it captures my attention and appreciation every single year.

