

Top: First Carol
Evening at
Evangelist
Rhonda's house.
Middle: Choir
leads carols

And the beat goes on as we celebrate at Sageed & Sanila's house!

esus was indeed the "Reason for the Season" as we sang renditions from Silent Night in English & German to "I'm dreaming of a White Christmas". And we did indeed enjoy a "White Christmas" after all filled with love and giving. Remembering that the true gift of Christmas was when God Himself gave His one and only son so that every-one who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16. This gift was perfected in the embodiment of Jesus Christ who is no longer in a manger in a barn but is seated on the right hand of the Father. The date of His birth is irrelevant. What is important is that He came so that we could have life more abundantly. The Bible says in John 10:10 that the thief comes but to steal, kill and destroy but Jesus has come to give you abundant life (paraphrased). Many of you may feel like you are not experiencing a life of abundance but a life of lack. When the Angel came to announce to Mary that she was highly favored of God, she did not feel highly favored. In fact, she must have felt wretched and alone and afraid. Yet, she set all of these emotions aside and simply believed the message.



