



THE GOVERNOR

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY, EMMANUEL ADIL ANTHONY, GOVERNOR OF CENTRAL EQUATORIA STATE FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON.

Dear Christian faiths and all Citizens of Central Equatoria State, and the Republic of South Sudan.

As the Year 2023 draws to an end, let's together give our profound thanks to the Almighty God for the grace, provision, and protection He provided to us as individuals, families, communities, State and Nation.

In the next seventy two hours, we will be joining the rest of the Christians in the whole world in celebrating the Christmas day, that is marking the birth of our LORD and Savior Jesus Christ.

As we celebrate, let's bear in mind that Christmas is not just a mere commemoration of the birth of the Savior of mankind and a season of festivities and merry making. Christmas is importantly, a season of deeper reflection and renewal of our faith and belief in God the Almighty and the purpose for which He sent His only beloved son to save our sinful world.

Therefore, during this festive season, we should re-examine our commitment to our Christian faith and re-dedicate ourselves to a new and fresh relationship with the Almighty God and our fellow humans. This context befits our own situation as a country whose social fabric is fractured by war and calls for reconciliation that streams from our innermost being.

In our jubilation during the Christmas festival, let us remember that the true spirit of Christmas is peace, love and goodwill to all amongst ourselves and extend to all the Nations of the world. Let us, demonstrate the Christian values of forgiveness, reconciliation, kindness and service to humanity as God has done for our sake.

As I conclude, I would like to seize this opportunity on behalf of the citizens and , the Revitalised Government of Central Equatoria State and on my own behalf to convey my message to the leadership of the Revitalized Transitional Government of National Unity (R-TGONU) under the wise leadership of H.E Gen. Salva Kiir Mayardit, President of the

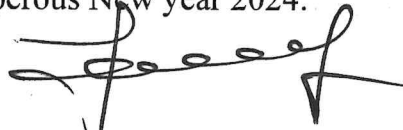
Republic of South Sudan for his steadfast stewardship towards restoring sustainable peace, development and security in the whole country ahead of the 2024 General Elections.

Most importantly as we embark on the celebration across the State, I urge all citizens to do it responsibly. Desist from irresponsible activities that could jeopardize and endanger your precious lives as well as those of other fellow citizens. I also, urge drivers and motorists to observe strict traffic regulations, avoid excessive alcohol consumption and other socially unacceptable behaviors.

Therefore, the security apparatus is directed to be vigilant and act responsibly towards the citizens in carrying out their constitutional mandate and secure the State, the citizens and their property and ensure they guarantee them a peaceful Christmas and New year Celebrations.

Finally, I call upon the citizens to make this Christmas festival peaceful and safe for everyone by upholding peace and harmony.

Merry Christmas Christmas and Prosperous New year 2024.



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