



NEW HEART BEAT DEVOTIONS

There Is No Room.

In my wife's younger years, she and her family traveled to Minnesota to visit relatives. Driving home, they began to get very tired. They decided to find a place to spend the night. The first place they stopped was Holiday Inn, but the clerk said, "There is no room in the inn." At the second and third places they tried the responses were the same. They discussed sleeping in the van. However, an hour outside of town they finally found a place.

I remember one winter, we went to see her sister in the mountains. The roads got so icy that no one could continue. We and the car behind us pulled into a motel. The clerk said to us that we were lucky, because we got the last room. The people behind us were told "There is no room."

One year, our neighbors were evicted from their home because they could not pay the rent. It was two weeks before Christmas, and they had nowhere to go. We opened our spare bedroom for the mother and her two children to stay. We then gave them a great Christmas. A few years before, we housed her sister and family when their house burned down. There were also two other people who stayed with us when there was no room for them. We made room for Susan's mother for fifteen years. Recently, we made room for our neighbor's 2-year-old and 3-month-old to sleep over when the mother's and father's work schedules are the same.

I know of a pastor who decorated their home outside for Christmas. They have all kinds of lights, and decorations, with a giant reindeer, snowman and toy soldier. However, they did not leave room for or even mention Jesus. It is so sad that so many places - even Churches - have beautiful displays, but no room for the real reason for Christmas.

Do you have a room that someone in need can use? Do you support and pray for those places that can provide room and shelter? There should be no reason that people must live on the streets, in abandoned buildings or in boxes and tents.

But the bigger question is: Do you have room in your Christmas, in your daily life and in your heart for Jesus? Do not be like the innkeeper and say, "There is no room." There should be no reason why Jesus must be out of your world, your family, or your life. He is knocking at your door. Take the time to pray, worship, read His Word and enjoy His fellowship this Christmas and all year long.



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You may not have room for Jesus, but
He has room for you.

"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." Rev 3:20



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