

A script from



## “Christmas Eve Opener”

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- What** This is a fun way to start your Christmas Eve service and to get your congregation warmed up for a time of celebration. Themes: Christmas, Fun, Gifts, Presents, Church
- Who** Actor 1  
Actor 2
- When** Christmas Eve
- Wear (Props)** Basket of gifts- only one need have a real gift  
A nice gift such as a gift certificate, or watch, or mp3 player  
A “gag” gift- something your church would think is funny to give as a gift.  
\*see note to Actor/Director
- Why** For fun!
- How** This is a skit that is meant to be personalized for your church. Maybe there are a couple of crazy guys that everyone loves or a couple of ladies that have a great sense of humor. It could even be two staff members. Feel free to add in whatever ad lib that makes it personal to your people- inside jokes, local references, etc. For instance, at our church our Pastor is notorious for not liking cats. If we used him in that skit, the “gag” gift would be something related to cats. All of our people would get the joke.
- Time** Approximately 2-3 minutes

*Actor 1 and Actor 2 walk and greet each other on stage. Actor 1 has a basket of presents and Actor 2 has one gift. They hug and say hi- all the natural responses.*

**Actor 1:** *(Actor 2's name)!* Long time no see. You look great. This is awesome meeting up with you on stage like this.

**Actor 2:** Really? Feels a little awkward. I mean when you said you wanted to say hi, we could have done it out in the foyer or something. On stage? In front of everyone? On Christmas Eve?

**Actor 1:** I know, right? The best place to not miss each other. Am I a genius or what? Well, I got you something!

**Actor 2:** Look, *(Actor 1's name)*, we don't really ever talk until Christmas time. I didn't know we were really exchanging gifts.

**Actor 1:** I told you that we were.

**Actor 2:** An hour ago. When you called me for the first time in 11 months. That's when you told me.

**Actor 1:** 'Tis the season. Go ahead! Open it up! *(Actor 1's gift is nicely wrapped and looks big. Whatever this gift is that Actor 2 unwraps is nice and looks like money was spent on it. Maybe a nice watch, a new Bible, a gift card to an expensive store, etc.)*

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**ENDING:**

**Actor 1:** I gave you the wrong one. *(Reaches into big bag)* Here's your gift. *(It's a bowl of pudding)*

**Actor 2:** What is this?

**Actor 1:** Figgie Pudding.

**Actor 2:** There really is such a thing?

**Actor 1:** Oh, yeah and it's all yours.

**Actor 2:** I can't take this. I have to go. *(Starts to walk away in "give up" mode)*

**Actor 1:** You won't go until you get some! And I brought some right here!

**Actor 2:** Alright Mayor of Crazy Town. Merry Christmas and I'll see you here next year.

**Actor 1:** Same place, same time. Merry Christmas. (*This may set you up for the following Christmas Eve to bring back the same characters in another Christmas Eve opener*)

*Have Actor 2 exit and Actor 1 address the audience. Actor 1 welcomes everyone to a special Christmas Eve service, welcomes the visiting families, and maybe even quotes some Scripture that is key to your Christmas Eve service and allows everyone to be a participant as we usher in celebration of the birth of Christ. Then close with a prayer or invite everyone to sing as the service starts.*

*Note to Director or Worship Leader:*

*During the welcome is a great time to make congregation members and visitors feel accepted, belonged to, and cared for (ABC). Laughter is a great way to open your service and get families settled for a wonderful evening with the Body of Christ.*