

STATEMENT OF J. STROM THURMOND, GOVERNOR OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA, FOR CHRISTMAS, DECEMBER 19, 1947.

As Christmas approaches, I take this occasion to extend to everybody in South Carolina the best wishes of the festive season. Mrs. Thurmond and I are sending no Christmas cards.

In America, we have many things to be thankful for. Ours is indeed a land of richness and plenty. We produce so much that we are able to help the destitute in many foreign lands. Our money is helping many nations remain free in the strife-torn world. In these days America is cast as the Good Samaritan, and it is only proper that we should assume this role.

In other lands millions wander homeless. There is not enough to eat or wear. There is not enough fuel for industry or warmth. Their money is worth very little.

But in the Christian nations of the world, even where cold, hunger and fear exist, man draws deep spiritual sustenance as his thoughts turn toward Bethlehem. In the season of the birth of man's Savior, inspiration should come to us all to work for "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

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