

Incarnation — The Birthing of Presence By Stella Envulu, SHCJ RESOURCE #1 — February 2-May 27, 2023

EMMANUEL-GOD WITH US

When I think of Incarnation, the word 'Presence' pops up in my mind.

I become aware of how God became present to us and by this sacred presence calls me too to be 'present' and to 'be with' others in community, in ministry and beyond in whatever little ways I can. By this, I share in his gift of 'being with' us.

Hence, for me a daily living of the Incarnation is the 'intentional' giving of my presence and bringing life, newness, creativity, ideas and zest in whatever small ways to what I do and to the people around me with freedom and joy...

There may be 'necessary' challenges or obstacles, but my everyday summons is to continue to be intentional in my birthing of presence.

Further, some lines from Michael Smith's song, 'Ancient Words,' draw my attention to



nate God:

the sacred Presence of the Incar-

'Holy Words long preserved for our walk in this world; they resound with God's own Heart. Oh **let the ancient Words impart.** These words re-

mind me again that the Incarnate God is present in His Words. The Sacred Fire emanating from God's Words draws me to the Presence of the incarnate God. **CLICK** to hear lines from the song.

By being present I share in his gift of being with us.



Ancient Words