



# Peace Light from Bethlehem



For over a thousand years lamps have been continuously lit in the Grotto of the Nativity in Bethlehem Israel. For the last 25 years, a child from Upper Austria has lit two blast proof miner's lamps from a grotto lamp. The blast proof miners lamps are then carried on an Austrian Airlines jet from Tel Aviv Israel to Vienna Austria from where the Peace Light is distributed at a Service of Dedication to delegations from across Europe who take it back, with a message of Peace, to their own countries.

Since 2004, Austrian Airlines has flown the miner's lamps containing the Peace Light from Vienna to New York City. Scout Leaders light their lanterns from the miner's lamps in New York and spread out across the United States and Canada to share the Peace Light. More information is available at [peacelight.org](http://peacelight.org)

Troop 395 was the first to receive the Peace Light in Albuquerque in 2013, and is now officially part of the national distribution. The following year the Catholic Committee on Scouting supports Troop 395 with the project to spread the light further in our Archdiocese.

This is your opportunity to take the Peace Light home with you. Scouts of all faiths are welcome to attend any of the following distribution points. Bring an oil lamp and the Christmas Light will be shared with you. We encourage you to pass the light to your units, church, family and friends. Bring a small lantern found at most Hobby Lobby and Walmart stores in the candle section for \$6-\$10.

### **The following locations will host the Peace Light:**

Alameda Knights of Columbus on Sunday 12/10 at 2:00 PM  
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Hall (9502 4th St NW, Albuquerque)

Troop 395 on Wednesday 12/13 at 6:30 PM  
St. Bernadette's Parish Hall (11509 Indian School Rd., Albuquerque)

Sandia District Roundtable on Thursday 12/14 at 7:00 PM  
LDS Eubank Chapel (4109 Eubank NE, Albuquerque)

Catholic Committee on Scouting and the Scouts of St. Thomas Aquinas on  
Friday 12/15 at 7:00 PM at St. Thomas Aquinas School  
(1100 Hood Road Southeast, Rio Rancho)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church and Scouts of Troop 410  
starting on Saturday 12/16 & Sunday 12/17 and continuing  
at all Masses and in the Church Foyer throughout Advent & Christmas  
(12500 Carmel Ave., Albuquerque)