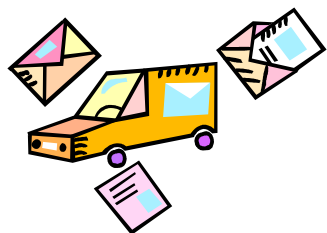




## UPCOMING EVENTS



Any 2009 year end contribution statements that were not picked up will be mailed this week. If you see any discrepancies please give the church office a call.



### *Don't Forget!*

There are still a few 2010 Pledge Boxes on the table. Please remember to pick them up.

### *1st Quarter Serving Lists...*



Are now being compiled. Please keep your eyes out for the schedule. Please check the back page of the newsletter one last time for this week's serving list. If you have any questions, feel free to call the church office.

*Thank you!*

### Coming... **THIS WEEK!**

#### Wednesday, January 27

- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, January 28

- 3:00 pm Culture Club

#### Sunday, January 31

- 9:30 am Worship
- 10:45 am Sunday School
- 11:45 am Elder Meeting

#### Monday, February 1

- 9:00 am Men's Fellowship
- 1:00 pm Domino's & More
- 3:00 pm Culture Club
- 6:00 pm Care Partner Meeting

#### Tuesday, February 2

- 9:00 am Quilters
- 9:30 am CWF Service Day

#### Wednesday, February 3

- 5:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

January 31, 2010

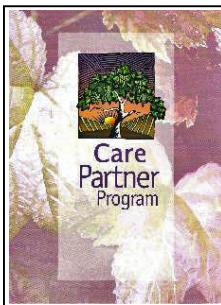
*Luke 4:21-30*

*"Preaching the OT-2"*



Worship Committee Meeting

February 3rd at 5:30 pm



There will be a Care Partner Meeting  
Monday, February 1st at  
6:00 pm

# CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Week of Compassion Update!**



Last Sunday we collected \$1,255.00 for Haiti. That brings our total to \$1910.00.

Thank you for all you have donated. We will keep you updated each week on how much we have raised for

## Congregational Concerns

- Charlie Lynch
- Jean Hagerman
- Cal Wise - Home
- Greg Walton - Home
- Grady Musser
- Debra Gleghorn
- Sue Brown
- Bonnie Montgomery
- Will Brown



*Please keep the office informed of those who need our prayers.  
Thank you!*

Central Christian Church,

Thank you very much for the toiletry items. They will be put to great use here at the shelter by our families!

God Bless,  
Christian County Family  
Crisis Center  
Staff & Families



The church is looking for a vehicle to borrow. If you have one that you would like to loan to the church please let Rev. Andrews know. Insurance will be provided by the church.



*Thank you!*

## **Alternative Christmas 2009**

The Outreach Committee thanks all of you for your support of our first annual Alternative Christmas project. Many local and global outreach opportunities were highlighted during Advent and provided a new way to gift our friends and families.

It is also our hope that many of you were educated about the work of our denomination missionaries, the work of Heifer International, Church World Service, Global Ministries, Salvation Army, Crosslines, Victory Mission and many more.

Donations of \$250.00 to Heifer International provided rabbits, ducks, chicks, llama, the Basket of Hope and \$50.00 to Church World Service provided Oral Rehydration Therapy for ill children.

We look forward to continuing this outreach opportunity again this year.

Blessings,  
Outreach Committee

# PASTOR SPEAKS

January 26, 2010

Pastor Speaks...

Sunday morning I passed out empty baby bottles during the children’s sermon. I spoke of the needs of the babies in Haiti and how they could help. I asked them to take the bottles and fill them with change. I even seeded the bottles with a few coins. We played with a couple of baby dolls, “swaddled them” and pretended to feed them. The children responded in a very positive way. The goal wasn’t just to have fun or to raise money. My goal was to personalize the issue for the children (they could all relate to babies in need) and to help them have a sense of empowerment when they hear the stories of the tragedy of the earthquake in Haiti.

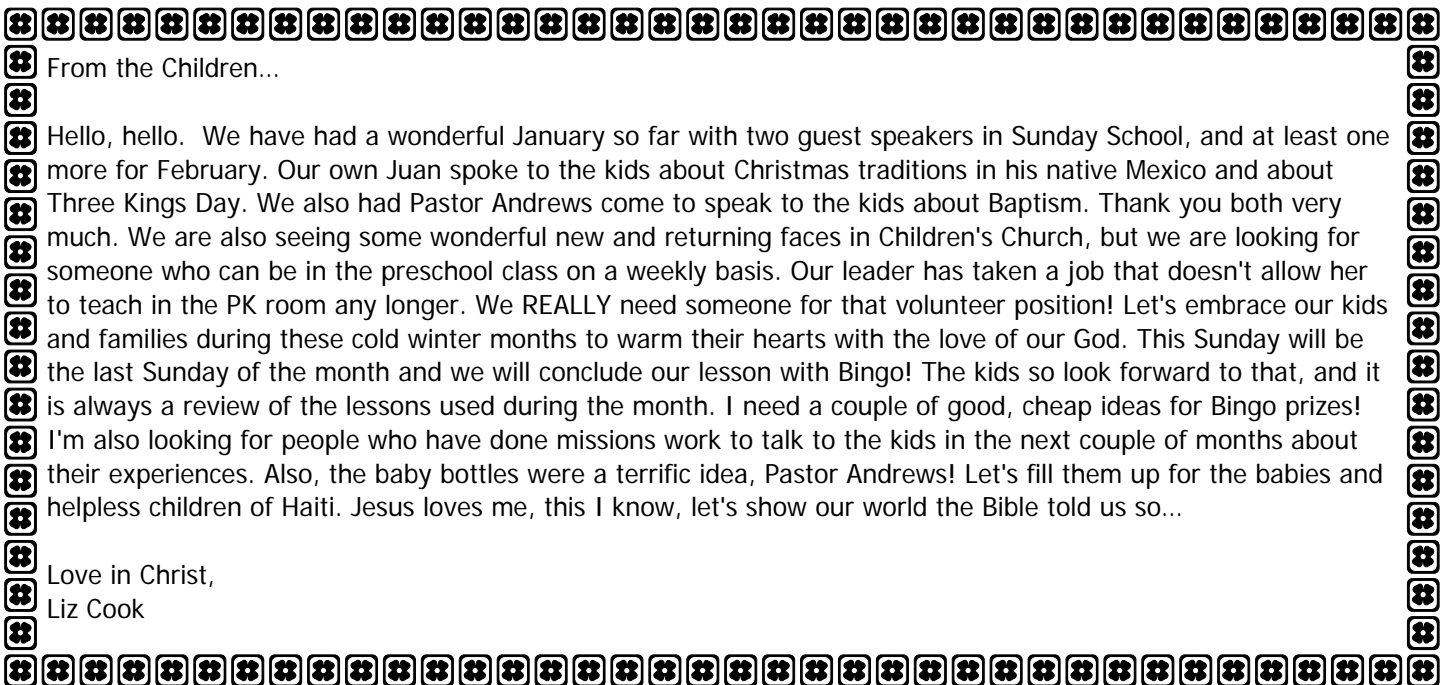
Imagine how frightening it is as a child to hear how houses crash down on people’s heads for no reason and so suddenly without warning. They hear the news and the grownups talking about how so many are injured and so many killed. With all this news, add an active imagination: “Could that happen to me and my family?”

Giving them the chance to make a difference in their own way helps them get a bit of control in their lives and it is reassuring. It is good to know that when trouble comes even the least of these can be of help.

So I ask you, if approached by one of these children please put a couple of coins in the bottle. (You don’t have to fill it.) And tell them how they are a blessing to those babies who need some special care right now, and tell them how they are a blessing to you.

In Christ’s Service,

Rev. John


 From the Children...  
 Hello, hello. We have had a wonderful January so far with two guest speakers in Sunday School, and at least one more for February. Our own Juan spoke to the kids about Christmas traditions in his native Mexico and about Three Kings Day. We also had Pastor Andrews come to speak to the kids about Baptism. Thank you both very much. We are also seeing some wonderful new and returning faces in Children’s Church, but we are looking for someone who can be in the preschool class on a weekly basis. Our leader has taken a job that doesn’t allow her to teach in the PK room any longer. We REALLY need someone for that volunteer position! Let’s embrace our kids and families during these cold winter months to warm their hearts with the love of our God. This Sunday will be the last Sunday of the month and we will conclude our lesson with Bingo! The kids so look forward to that, and it is always a review of the lessons used during the month. I need a couple of good, cheap ideas for Bingo prizes! I’m also looking for people who have done missions work to talk to the kids in the next couple of months about their experiences. Also, the baby bottles were a terrific idea, Pastor Andrews! Let’s fill them up for the babies and helpless children of Haiti. Jesus loves me, this I know, let’s show our world the Bible told us so...  
 Love in Christ,  
 Liz Cook

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Nursery: 3  
Elementary: 4  
Junior/Senior: 4  
Faith Builders: 5  
Bilshan: 8  
Loyal Workers: 14  
Builders: 14  
Friends: 14  
General: 22

1/24/2010

General Fund  
Contributions:  
\$3,885.00  
Attendance:  
158

**Serving January 31, 2010**

**Elders:**

Linda Zweerink  
Mary Jane Cross

DEACONS:

**Bob Edwards – 881-1436**

David Edel  
Jack Edel  
Marilyn Ferguson  
Greg French  
Randy Fuller  
J.C. Hicks  
Charlie Mabry  
Bill Melton  
Robert Roelofs  
Kim Schultz  
Charlie Spangler  
Rhonda Stewart  
Debbie Strait  
Larry Thomas  
Lynette Thomas  
Doris Thornton  
Anna Marie Walker

**Junior Deacons:**

Sydney Frazier  
Phoebe Hicks

**Ushers:**

Diana Criger  
Anna Marie Walker

**Communion Preparation:**

Rhonda Stewart & Patsy Tipton  
Darrell & Linda Zweerink

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Sharon Martin

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