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KIDS WELL NEVER MEET...TIL HEAVEN

Glen Basey put the case before us clearly and passionately. We've been connected to the Cagavan Christian Children's Home. But now that CCCH has been absorbed by Christian's Haven our folk may be a bit less informed. Glen explained that many of the Cagayan kids who came under CH's care are carriers of a strain of Hepatitis. A quarter of a million dollars has been spent on medical care for this serious situation. How is Christian Haven going about paying off this monster debt? The answer is what it has to be...an appeal to the churches that love and support this ministry. When our missions committee pondered the matter we decided to challenge our congregation to step up to the plate and do the best we can...with God's help, of course.

The committee reached into the Opportunity Fund and sent a check for

\$4000. In addition to this gift we are asking our people to participate in this Faith Promise effort. A goal of \$12,000 is surely attainable (including the \$4000 already mailed off) For some it may mean

purchasing fewer Christmas presents. Maybe couples will agree to send their gift money to Philippine children rather than buy gifts for each other. Others are filling out a Faith Promise card. They'll prayerfully arrive at an amount of money they are asking God to provide between now and Christmas so they can give the money to this project.

Glen is visiting churches all over the country in hopes of reaching this sky high dollar amount. Perhaps we can't take a big chunk out of the mountain, but we can do what we can...and more, with God's help. Currently Christian's Haven is unable to pay their staff on time. The six figure debt is draining and distracting. Thank you for whatever you do in working hand in hand with our church to show our love and support for a ministry that tends to the serious needs of street kids



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and orphans. I'm inviting others who receive this newsletter to send a gift to the Christian Church of Ashland, earmarked Faith Promise. We'll combine your love-gifts with ours and report in January's newsletter the final results. See the chart on page 6 for the current status.

Tis the season, right? Let's make this an unforgettable Christmas for some far off kiddos.

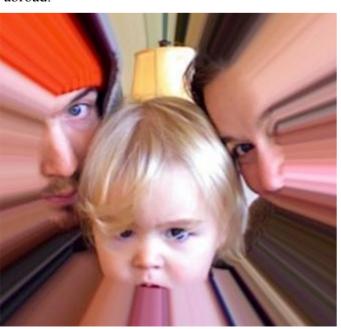


CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

You'll want to save Monday, December 24, for our Christmas Eve service. Details are being worked out but you can expect an event which will be inspiring, brief and well worth your attendance. More info as the month progresses.

MARLIA-LARSENS HEAD TO SOUTH AMERICA

Cielo and his parents, Brian and Lori Jo, have just completed a trimester of nurses training and will head to Chile and Peru for most of December before picking up the books again in early January. Keep this young family in your prayers as they travel abroad.



39PLUS

You know the routine... Games at 10...Bible Study at 11...Lunch at Noon. Come join the fun!

 Dec 5 Meet at Laurie Royer's home...
 Carpool or caravan from the church at 9:30





Marie Hoffman

- Dec 12 Meet at Marie Hoffman's home 61 N Mt Ave.
- Dec 19 Meet at Larsen's home...Christmas Party, Games and Lunch
- Dec 26 Fold the Newsletter, Bible Study and Christmas Leftover (potluck)

REAL MEN MEET AT ANNIE'S

Lately we've made good use of the Lookout lesson each Monday morning at 7:45. Some real, genuine guys enjoy breakfast and Bible study. Of course we pray together and share glimpses of each other's lives. Newcomers are treated to Annie's best by Jerry Moore.

ROGUE RIDERS JOIN 39PLUS FOR A PARTY AT THE LARSEN HOME

All seniors are invited to stop by the Larsen home on Wednesday, December 19. Expect a few games, good conversation, Christmas goodies and such. Time: 10-Noon

SAINTS ALIVE, FIRST SATURDAY BREAKFAST

These good people have been trading stories, telling whoppers and laughing together for many years. Come join the fun, all of you adults! Order from the menu or benefit from the Senior's Special, the morning buffet. Come on by the Iron Skillet in Phoenix (Oregon!) at 9 on Saturday morning, December 1.



FRIENDS OF FAITH (KLAMATH FALLS) ON THE GROW

Every time this dynamic group meets we have newcomers, like Dave Davenport. This may be a good bit what it was like after the Day of Pentecost. Everybody participates, music is chosen from all of the ages represented...including some recent rap music selected by young Adam. Money is gathered

to assist folk in need.
Each week we view about 30 minutes of the great movie, The Gospel of John. Thanks to the Ashland Ladies for inviting all of our Klamath Falls ladies to the Christmas Tea. Pray for these vibrant souls as they faithfully meet, study, share and grow.



Dave Davenport

LADY'S LUNCH BUNCH

We will meet on Tuesday, December 11th, at 12:00 noon, at the home of Betty Tine Metcalf, 1968 Alamar St, Medford.(1/4 mi north of South Stage Road off Orchard Home Drive) Please let me know if you plan to come! We do want to have enough food prepared. Come and join us as we fellowship together at this time of Christ's birth.

Betty Tine Metcalf 779-5357

DECEMBER POTLUCK

Turkey and Ham will be provided!! Please bring either a salad or vegetable (side dish) that you enjoy for the holidays **and** a dessert.

This month is a little different than usual as we are providing the meat. So come bring your favorite dishes to go along with ham & turkey as we celebrate Jesus

See ya on the 16th, The Deaconesses

NEW CLASS GROWING AND AP-PRECIATED

Thanks, Ted Killian, for providing the Middle School/High School/Young Adult class each Sunday morning. All we are hearing is rave reviews. Sundays...balcony...9:30 a.m. (Donuts and Fruit)

ELEMENTARY AGE YOUTH LIKING THE NEW CLASS

Youngsters now have a neat class to attend Sunday mornings, thanks to Kay Killian and Julie Hamilton. All kids of this age are invited to meet in Classroom #7 downstairs at 9:30 on Sunday mornings. Come prepared for participation, learning and fun!

WELCOME HOLLY NUNN

This young lady became a hit with our congregation right away. Her outgoing personality, articulate devotions at the beginning of the sermon and participation in the worship team make her a special lady, indeed. Soon after enrolling at Southern Oregon University as a theater major, Holly united with our congregation. She hails from St. Helens,

Oregon, transferring to SOU from George Fox University. Welcome, Holly!



PREVIEW MOVIE NIGHTS GOING VERY WELL

David Bruce is much appreciated by Hollywood. Warner Brothers, Fox and others send pre-release and pre-DVD movies to David for his review. He, in turn, invites the public to watch these movies and video tapes our reviews. Keep you ears open for the next Friday Night PreView. No charge, lots of fun and a chance to have millions hear/see your review. Yikes!

THANKSGIVING AT TOU VELLE PARK A GREAT SUCCESS



I'm wondering how to adequately express my amazement, joy and delight at the wonderful Thanksgiving Dinner enjoyed by so many out at Tou Velle Park. Many of our guests were from our church family. A bunch were my Rotary friends. Still others were family members. Turkey (cooked in peanut oil), five Dutch oven dishes, plus a host of dishes brought pot luck style made for tables overflowing with great eats. The day was beautiful and the fellowship absolutely superb. Thanks for all who participated. Jim Larsen



ROUND TABLES COMING!

You've seen how beneficial round tables are, haven't you? Put 8 people around a table and everybody can see everybody. So thanks to those who

have contributed four or five round ones for the church. And thanks to the deaconesses for asking the board for money to buy a couple more. This can only be a blessing to our already friendly bunch.

GUEST SPEAKERS TO BLESS IN DECEMBER

Dr. Bob Harrison's last message was met with such gratitude that we've invited this professor/former pastor/former probation officer to preach on December 9 when Jim is in Peru. Let's have a great crowd on hand to hear Bob's message. Later in the month...Sunday, December 30, will be special since Dr. Glen Basey will be with us to receive our Faith Promise check for Christian's Haven. Glen will bring the morning message.



SHOE BOX GIFTS

Nine shoe boxes were prepared by the kids from Discovery Club. The boxes were brought forward on Sunday November 18. Thank You to all who donated items for the kids to put into the boxes. This year's boxes will be blessing the lives of some of the less fortunate children in our own Rogue Valley

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS TEA

The Women's Christmas Tea will be on Saturday, Dec 8, from 1:30pm to 3:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Secret sister gifts will be exchanged, (others bring a gift to exchange). Please bring your goodies plates to share with shut-ins & to enjoy at the tea. **The quilt drawing will be done also.**

We hope to have a wonderful turnout, Janie Moore & Julie Hamilton

Christmas Canned Food Drive

to benefit Roosevelt Elementary Sparrow Club and ACCESS. Inc.

My name is Edan Rudy. I am in second grade at Roosevelt Elementary. I am gathering food that I will donate to ACCESS, Inc. to be put into the food boxes they prepare for Christmas. This project will also benefit the Sparrow Club as my time spent gathering food will benefit our medically fragile "sparrow" adopted by my school. Listed below are some of the items I would like to collect to help ACCESS fill as many boxes as possible:

Canned fruits
Canned vegetables
Boxed stuffing
Bread & baking mixes
Jams & jellies
Sugar, flour, cornmeal
Canned juices

Oatmeal & dry cereals
Canned nuts
Canned meat
Evaporated milk
Peanut butter
Condiments
Dried Fruit

A donation of just \$1 purchases 5 ibs of high-quality nutritious food!

Donations Boxes located at Roosevelt Elementary, Medford Builders Exchange or Christian Church of Ashland, For donation pick up or

additional information please call 210-4823

Deadline for donations is Dec. 21!!



WOULD YOU LIKE THE QUILT IN THE LIBRARY

The Piece Corp ladies are selling tickets for the quilt in the Library for \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Funds raised traditionally go for supplies for the Piece Corp. The ladies have been working on this beautiful quilt since March of this year with lots and lots hand stitching. Please support this wonderful ministry. The drawing for the quilt will take place at the Ladies Tea in December. Contact Helen Jane for more information or tickets. *Time is running out*.

DECORATING CHURCH

Saturday, Dec 1, will be the day the church will be decorated! Anyone is welcome to come and help. We will be starting at 10:00am with Karen or helpers doing the upstairs, deaconesses working on the fellowship hall and other areas. Each Sunday School class is being asked to decorate their rooms (if they wish).

Soup will be available between 12:00 & 1:00 for anyone that is helping. See ya on the 1st.





DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Janie Moore
- 7 Phyllis Smith
- 9 Jasmine Chavez (Belt)
- 8 Joe Davis
- 8 Ramona Cody
- 10 Jade Rudy
- 12 David Wing
- 18 Catherine (Kitty) Ellis
- 19 Kiley McDonald
- 21 Isaac McDaniel
- 22 Allicia Pepper
- 24 Harvey Ellis
- 25 Ala Jones
- 25 Dan Tiller
- 25 Keith Nixon
- 26 John Wing
- 29 Alice Sweeney
- 29 Jennifer Harding
- 30 Dan Acery
- 30 Brenda Davis
- 31 Muriel Ellis
- 31 Brendan Ellis



DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Dan and Luci Siemens
- 17 Neil and Becky Belt
- 24 Mike and Laurie Royer
- 25 Harold and Phyllis Smith
- 30 Gene and Janice Stringer
- 30 Harold and Marge Russell

Editor's Note: If I have missed your birthday or anniversary please let me know so I can update my calendar and include them in the future. If I have included any that you would like removed please let me know that also. Just send corrections to the church office.

Brad

"JESUS, LORD OF ALL"

"The Family of God"

CROSS BEAMS						
Saturday	9:00 AM Saints Alive Breakfast - Iron Skillet 10:00 AM Hanging of the Greens	8 1:30 PM Ladies' Christ- mas Tea	15 6:30 PM Old Time Movie Night	22	29	
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Sunday Service Schedule

9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Discovery Club 10:45 AM Worship

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March of the

Wooden Soldiers



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED





Mike Royer is doing a fantastic job of selecting and showing classic movies of yesteryear. Here is the scoop for Saturday, December 15:

Celebrate the season with an evening of fun and laughter furnished by LAUREL and HARDY in Victor Herbert's classic "Babes In Toyland" MARCH OF THE WOODEN SOLDIERS in color and holiday themed L & H classic short comedies.

Snack bar opens at 6:00 p.m. First movie starts promptly at 6:30 p.m.

