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President's Column . . . Claren Kotrla

GIFTS

Gifts are interesting things to say the least. However they do have limitations. They can only be given or received. That's it. Most gifts are inanimate objects without feeling or thoughts. So how can they be so important to those doing the giving or those receiving them?

Many times it is not the cost of the gift that determines its value. Often it is a relationship and what that relationship represents that determines a gift's value. Why would that be? Perhaps a personal example could shed some light on the question. We have friends down the street who have a swimming pool and we share and help each other with projects. We get to use that pool with our grandchildren during the summer, and it has provided hours of enjoyment. My oldest grandson, who is seven, and I were making walking sticks from some discarded cedar limbs. We do some hiking and thought walking sticks would be fun

to have. We decided to make one for our friend with the pool. We used a



hand saw to cut it to about a five foot length, a draw knife to do the initial smoothing of the staff, and sand paper to finish smoothing it out. Then we coated the end to keep it from splitting and added a leather strap at the top. It had a crook

at the top so it was not perfectly straight, but it had character. We took it to him, and he was very appreciative. He was anticipating having knee surgery and would be able to use it when he visited the family farm. He actually uses it regularly and he keeps it by the back door for use in the neighborhood as well as on his trips to the farm. It is only a scrap stick that isn't even straight. It wouldn't sell for much, but it has value because of who gave it to him (my grandson) and what it means to them both.

Gifts aren't always inanimate ob-



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jects. Ever see a youngster receive a new puppy? The child gets a face cleaning, unconditional love, learns how to care for something by feeding it, cleaning up after it, and perhaps sleeping with it. They bond and become fast friends for life. Even when that child becomes a grandparent, that child will remember the gift of that puppy and the life lessons it provided.

Time is another gift that we can give. Sometimes simply spending a little time with someone will lift their spirits, be it a personal visit or a phone call (not email or texting in this case). When we visit with someone and share a few stories or simply catch up on what we have been doing it can be a gift that, although intangible, has great value.

What about acts kindness as gifts? That gesture of kindness in the form of opening the door for someone, helping with the groceries, or changing a tire for someone can be a gift also. Perhaps anonymously buying a meal for a soldier and his family at a restaurant can be the kindness that both parties will cherish forever. Sometimes that act of kindness takes the form of tough love and, although not

fully appreciated at the time, becomes a true life-giving gift.

God has given us each gifts. Romans 12: 6 states that we have different gifts according to the grace given us. It then provides examples of those gifts. Those gifts are to be used for His purposes. Recognize those gifts and share them to meet His purposes. Sometimes it seems that those purposes don't match our purposes. We see things from our view and don't always recognize His purpose. Sometimes we are like the dog that is trained to be a retriever. Then one day the dog's master directs the dog to not pick up the game he has been trained to pick up and is rewarded for picking up. But the master sees the snake by the game and redirects the dog to protect him. We are like that dog; at times going after what we have learned provides the immediate reward while God has other plans for us – like eternal life. Again Romans provides the Bible quote in chapter six verse twenty three, where it says, "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

The other problem we sometimes have with the gifts God has given us

is the time He chooses for us to use them. In general we are an impatient people who in our society expect things to happen in the one-hour window we have become used to with our television programs. However, Ecclesiastes 3:1 tells us, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." We should look at the time referred to here as not our time, but God's time.

It is Christmas, and we will be involved in gift giving and gift receiving. Accepting the gift of Christ is as important as the giving and receiving of gifts among ourselves. Take time this Christmas to share not only your individual gifts, but also the gift of Christ with others.

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In Christ's Love . . . from the Mission Field

Hurricane Ida...

Latest information coming from Central America regarding Hurricane Ida is that this storm did considerable damage along the coasts of Nicaragua and Honduras. Details and extent of the damage are not yet available, but funds will be requested and a possible work crew will be sent at a later date.

The Hofstads (MAF) Write... Teacher Needed in Ahuas

"If anybody wants the adventure of a lifetime, volunteering in Ahuas for 6 months teaching two very well behaved, bright, calm, and quiet boys, you can be an answer to our prayer!" (If you are able to fill this need, contact our Mission Board Chairman: David Miller.)

From the Thiessens...

October 17th, 2009

Subject: A thousand words...

Rabbit Trails...

A friend once exclaimed, listening to me explain some photos, "Now I

know why a photo is worth a thousand words – you use that many for each one!"

Every time I think about writing you about what is going on here, the task seems too difficult without adding all the footnotes (exploring the rabbit trails). Anne is the expert in synthesis and compression, not me.

So...

For the last half year I've been accompanying Roberto to Infiernillo (Little Hell, Mixtec village five hours away...) at the request of Dan and friends (Nazarenes from Oklahoma...). On one of the trips, Roberto and I (*tocayos*...) stopped half way along, in San Vicente Lachixio, where we'd seen a sawmill working.

This Zapotec village (large indigenous group of Oaxaca, many without the Gospel...) had bought the largest Woodmizer sawmill available (great company from the US that makes all sizes of portable Bandsaw mills...) and rotates the management of it every two years to elected men from the village (widespread method of local government...). Guillermo and Justino have one more year in their

term and are trying to serve their village well. As we looked the sawmill over, I realized it was missing an essential bearing that stabilizes the moving 62 HP diesel motor and band saw assembly (...), while several other bearings were seizing, wearing down an irreplaceable track on the \$80,000 machine. I suggested they get in touch with me once I was back from the summer trips (TX and NC...), since I would be seeing Ray (friend from TX who used these machines in Nicaragua...) and asking for advice.

I was surprised when, in September, Guillermo and Justino showed up on my doorstep, wanting to know what I had found out. At this point I knew the job was bigger than I had originally thought, so we planned to contract a technician to come from Veracruz (at \$200 a day, travel days included, of which he only gets \$60...). I would accompany him to San Vicente. I would work with him to make sure the job was complete and to under-

stand what is needed, and then I would stop on my future visits to Infiernillo to teach them how to maintain the machine themselves.

The technician, Juan, and I got out there in the still cold morning as the sun slanted in through mountain passes, lighting the drifting smoke filled with hints of morning tortillas and coffee. He had thought we could be done in a few hours; I insisted that these Indians were paying high dollars, so we needed to make darn sure the sawmill was in perfect order before we left. I'm not sure what he had planned, but as I was preparing for the trip, I threw in every tool I thought we might possibly need. His bag would have fit in a lunch pail; mine took up most of the back seat. Turns out we did need the pulley extractor, the tap and die set, the multimeter, the grinder (...). I can't imagine how he would have accomplished the job without a lot of what I brought, but



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anyway, we did get the immediate job done and the whole machine set up from scratch. As we set out for Oaxaca, the moon was now peering through the passes and we didn't get in till one in the morning.

During our long day of replacing and tuning, several of the village men came by and got acquainted. They all had a hard time figuring out why I was doing this, and in the end settled on calling me "Inge," short for "engineer." One fellow, Marino, a high school teacher, had been on the original oversight committee for the sawmill. (He wanted to know what was the best way to learn English, and whether I had any advice about replacing the steering gearbox on his older Nissan pickup...) Marino also wanted to know what they could do about the carpentry shop the village had invested in, now lying idle since

none of them were able to use the machinery much. We talked about a couple options, but left things in the air.

Surprised again, I received a phone call, in the middle of our Canadian Thanksgiving, from San Vicente. This time it was Juan, the man in charge of the carpentry shop. He'd heard from Marino about me, and now he was wondering how to sharpen the knives in the thickness planer. So, it looks like Manuel (friend, fellow team member and church leader, carpenter I've been training...) and I are going out this coming Thursday to see what we can do, and to see where this might go. One option we are kicking around, if they can afford to pay Manuel's expenses, is to go once a week for a day, work with one or two of their best guys, and plan for them to be working on their own within a year.

What is this all about? Well, as you can see, all this has allowed me (and hopefully Manuel) to get to know the responsible men of a village who would never let me come in as an "evangelist." This place, for hundreds of years now, only knows a world of forces controlled by a variety of spirits, mostly capricious, only grudgingly benevolent. They staunchly identify with the Catholic church (...) but remain largely ignorant of even basic aspects of the Good News. How can they believe if they have never heard? Their image of evangelicalism is negative, and were I to let that image stick to me, I would get no farther with them.

I suppose some people might find my method underhanded, but let me

tell a little more of the story. Right from the beginning, while with Roberto, I made it clear that our motives were to share God's blessings so that more people might know how good He really is. When I came with the technician, I thanked God before we ate our breakfast, and in conversation told the story of the Tower of Babel and the throngs John sees in the Revelation. When they visited me in my home, we looked up who San Vicente was anyway (their patron saint...) and discussed his relevance in church history. So, even though this is fairly weird for them, they know that I am more than just an "Inge."

San Vicente is letting me try something I've held up as an ideal to



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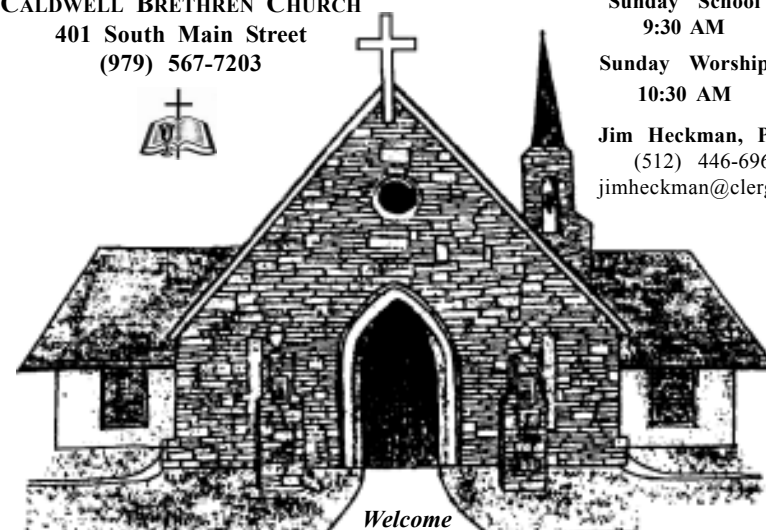
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Mexican Christians for years. So many good Christ followers here are held back from taking the Gospel to unreached areas of Mexico because their only model is full time, paid, and confrontational evangelist/pastors. I've been extolling the virtues of a trade-based approach, recasting the roles of evangelist and discipler. To some extent I've done the carpentry thing, but this will be the first "from scratch" chance I've had in a long time. Manuel is excited, too, and sees this fitting into his ministry of raising up missionaries from among university students (he works with Baptists throughout the country...). The missionary salary has always been a bottleneck, yet here villages pay someone \$600 to come visit them. Hundreds of places like San Vicente dot southern Mexico, requiring many services besides saw-mill technician. Anyone want to come down and start a Woodmizer franchise in one of the closest and most untapped markets to the US?

Pray for Manuel and for me, for San Vicente Lachixio, for the potential missionaries of Mexico, and for those God wishes to send to the many places the Gospel still needs to be heard.

Blessings, Robert

Dear Friends,

I walked in on a photo shoot. Robert and Manuel were very busy snapping their photos, moving from side to side and squatting for a better view, opening and closing doors to catch their subject in a better light, and filling their cameras with shots from all possible angles. Their object? A kitchen cabinet.



Manuel, the most recent addition to the list of Christian leaders Robert has helped in business, had just finished his first set of kitchen cabinets, and the two guys were taking pic-

tures to add to Manuel's portfolio (ok, not an actual folder, but the one that says NEW on his computer). With the slowing economy in Oaxaca, Manuel's tent-making business as a buyer of Oaxacan handcrafts (hand-painted, wooden, fantastical figurines) has taken a hit. He needed a side job that will support his family while still giving him time to lead the church meeting in his home on Sundays, to lead the ministry to university students meeting in his home on Saturdays, and to lead the summer missionary training meeting in his home during the summer.

This past summer Robert and I helped Manuel with some of this training. That is why we were not in the United States very long. We taught a team of missionary candidates about learning languages, adapting to cultures, and planting churches in Indian villages. After a week's training, the team went to Chiapas to work for 4 weeks alongside church planters there in Tzotzil villages. They lived two by two in homes and tried to adapt as well as they could to their new environments.

Last summer the group that Manuel trained went to the Mosquitia, Honduras, and one of our members, Binisa, went with them, sent by our church here. This fall Claudia, a member of last summer's team, left for long-term work in India as a church planter. Our church supports her, as well.

In this part of the world missionaries, church planters, and church leaders often follow Paul's lead as a tent-maker. Those kitchen cabinets in the photo shoot are a sign that Manuel will be able to continue his various ministries as a self-supporting church leader. And very nice cabinets they turned out to be, don't you think? Here's a link to his website: <http://manuelcarpinteria.blogspot.com>

Well, that's one of the rabbit trails from the last letter fleshed out a bit.

Blessings, Anne Thiessen

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The Kozacks Write...

Dear Friends, Dear Sponsors,

Before I will write more, let me please to GREET YOU ALL in the Holy Name of our precious Lord Jesus Christ! Stana and me are sending you our very warm and heart GREETINGS from Czech republic!

In these days the main headlines are concerning the celebrating of the 20th anniversary of destruction and fall of the Berlin Wall, and about the breakthrough of the FREEDOM to the former communist countries... It is very special time for our nation, too, because a few days after the Velvet Revolution came to Prague also... Here, if you like, you can see some pics from the Berlin Wall on-line: <http://www.dailysoft.com/berlinwall/>

But the MOST IMPORTANT thing now is the 20th anniversary of Velvet Revolution in Czech Republic. I do have a LOT what to say, but there is a GREAT You Tube video, and believe me, it is WELL DONE! My recommendations: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bPyKuGXppsA&NR=1>

When I saw it today, the tears was leaking down on my cheeks... There were too many high hopes in those

times. Everybody did have some. I have seen those days as the Christian: FINALLY the FREEDOM, finally the GREAT CHANCE to DO FREELY EVERYTHING for our LORD publicly, no HIDING any more, no more FEAR from the secret communist police and from persecution.

Now there is a time in our society of the re-evaluation of all things. Again, I am doing it as the Christian. I remember that in those days almost all Christians praised God for the freedom, for the chance to freely worship, for the coming of the huge ministry opportunities. I remember the enthusiasm, promises, desires and the FIRST unsure, but bold steps in the NEW FREE country, while sharing the Gospel with hundreds each month...

And how about it TODAY? After those 20 years of FREEDOM? How many of the Christians are willing to DO passionately the SAME THINGS NOW in Czech, what they did before, or promised in those times? How many churches are keeping their promises to the Most High God 'til now, when were crying joyously while seeing the communist bosses leaving???

The TRUTH is that the Czech

Republic became a fully democratic and free country. BUT with EVERYTHING, which is KILLING and DEVASTATING it again are those (believers) whose cheap promises to God mostly failed, and the society developed itself without God's Word, without His Commandments or His Promises...

Now the Czech republic is No.1 concerning smoking marijuana in EU, now the Czech republic is No.1 concerning the atheism in Europe... and corruption exists. What can one say say? All the judgments belong to the Lord.

WHY I DO SAY ALL THOSE THINGS? Just because I would like to PRAISE our Father God, that He saw me as faithful. It is so GREAT PRIVILEGE and it HUMBLER me so VERY MUCH!

It humbles my heart, that Lord had given me/us a chance to plant a new church from scratch in Decin, and what is really touching my heart is that almost all members are the former BAD guys: a very problematic people... Now they are fine and BLESSED Brothers and Sisters in our Lord! What a BLESSING!

And NOW, Stana and myself are about to up anchor and GO to the NEW area in Moravia to Kromeriz. To the NEW place, to be as MINISTERS

to the NEW people. By the flesh this is a very difficult task, but by the Holy Spirit there is NEW adventure and joy!

Our church here in Decin is doing well. The RIGHT foundation and Corner Stone is Jesus Christ and members are very serious with their FAITH. I think Stana and I did (humbly saying) a good ministry job here... It is very young church filled with mostly YOUNG people and kids.

Stana is now leading Tereza, the Peter's daughter, to minister to the kids in the future... Good Job!

The Thanksgiving celebration and the feast comes soon, and we would like to say THANK YOU, LORD JESUS, for ALL BLESSED and FAITHFUL MINISTERS, BROTHERS and SISTERS who are FAITHFUL on your VINEYARD.

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From the Woos in China...

Since our last letter, two events are worth mentioning. First, the grandfather whom we knew and loved out in the village, where we frequently stayed, passed away. It was unexpected, but we were amazed to even get a phone call informing us. We stopped everything and went out to the funeral not knowing what to expect. I can't say that we did everything culturally appropriate, but we tried to be a comfort, and there was an opportunity to share a little about Jesus to a few of the men. Second, a few Dai believers have been getting together in our city! The Dai evangelist in Misty City has seen a little fruit over there, and we are now hoping to train our helper so that she can help lead this group. The challenge is to be sensitive to all the different people involved. Our greatest hope would be for our helper to get a burden and fire

to share the gospel among her own people. This would be the answer to one of our greatest prayers.

As for the future, I have a growing optimism about our time here. I still have questions about our effectiveness and our longer term plans, but for now, we will be here for another few years. Keep praying for us to have opportunities to develop relationships, to share the gospel, and to disciple any believer. We expect great things from God. May we only be ready to respond when the opportunities present themselves. Finally, may I challenge you with the same? Can you see the goodness of God over the past year and His faithful love? And, are you willing to step out in faith and trust Him for more opportunities to share His great love?

In Him, Michael, Caroline,
Ian, and Zach

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cheon. Also, the Fayetteville congregation offered the use of their fellowship hall for a health fair sponsored by the Fayetteville Lions Club.

GUY E. HUFFMAN, CPA

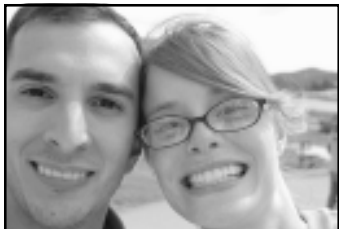
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mark & macie's october update

Alright! As usual, there has been a lot of stuff going on at Texas A&M. And when I say a lot I mean A LOT. For starters, we left Colorado LT Aug 7th and drove back to Texas in our car that was turning off on the highway every ten minutes to an hour. Needless to say, the trip took two days. It was a great “young married couple adventure” (stopped on an overpass fixing a car in some random city in the Texas heat). Moving on, we went to our annual staff retreat Aug 10th and spent an amazing God-filled time planning and making goals for our small group with two student leaders. And we’ll just tell you, we got some stuff DONE!!!

After the staff retreat we went

back and planned as many pre-semester hangouts as we could in order to get a good start with all the peeps from our small group. We had an AMAZING semester start! Then came the crazy first week of school, where A&M Christian Fellowship (our student organization) passed out 10,000 flyers to invite people to our Kick-off Rally. Our group did great! All this time we used every opportunity to build relationships with students and challenge them to grow closer to God.

We are seeing people grow in DOCTRINE, character, and emotional and spiritual wholeness. Take us seriously when we say, it has been an exciting and crazy semester. GOD IS MOVING IN OUR GROUP!

mark (What it’s been like for him)

When I left LT I felt a strong desire to use what God taught me over the summer to minister to students at Texas A&M. Starting with the staff retreat, this fall semester in ministry has felt non-stop for me. This job is hard because your heart is absolutely attached to your work. Sometimes it feels like there is no line distinguishing work and personal life. But we are all called to be Christians at work and in our personal lives.

What has gotten me through is the

real heart desire and love I have for those I’m getting to impact. Each semester I feel more equipped to disciple others and foster growth in their walks with God. A drawback of being so attached is feeling discouraged about the smallest things. Watching someone go through a trial, or even just make a bad decision can and does hurt when you are invested in their life.

All of this has caused me to cling to God and pray more and more for these student’s lives.

God has also challenged me to be more direct with those I am discipling. In other words, I need to say what needs to be said. It has been hard, but the fruit has been awesome.

In conclusion, my heart is at peace before the Lord, because I am working hard, loving hard, and praying hard. I love what I am getting to do. And it is making an impact – one student at a time giving their lives over to God more and more is absolutely worth it. Thank you so much!

macie (What it’s been like for her)

I feel so much like Mark in that we have been going strong since LT! And the fruit we’ve seen is great! One thought that comes to my mind lately has been, “Am I keeping Jesus my prize?” I feel like this question keeps my heart in the right place, because I so easily sway into a “busyness” mentality.

It’s hard for me to confess my own “busyness” struggle, since I realize just about every day how amazing my job is, and I am so grateful to get to meet with students for Jesus. But I

can tend to “get to working” and forget the greater vision of seeing lives transformed as we submit everything together to Jesus. Needless to say, I have been so encouraged recently because of God’s patience with me in my weakness. The lives of the girls I’m meeting with and discipling are not gonna be changed and transformed by “Macie” but by Christ alone.

And, I have to tell you guys, I really love joking with the girls in our homegroup and lifegroup (an even smaller group of 5 girls) – it’s great how much FUN we can have together. I can hardly believe they laugh at my jokes, you know? These are like “cool” freshmen, and they are choosing to come and hang out with “God” people like me and Mark. They actually LIKE us! It’s a crazy privilege to have this favor and influence.

Lastly, I was and am amazed at the number of students we’ve seen joining us this semester – but this is exactly what we prayed for! Praise God! **Please pray that we would be increasing in effectiveness as disciples and disciplers in Christ.**



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prayer requests

(Fun with fonts, prayer, and pictures)

Mark: Ok, so we are really wanting to see lots of people in our group step it up in their walks with God. Could you pray for that?

Macie: And I really wanna be good at helping these girls grow. I'm not sure I know how, but I need God's help. PLEASE pray for that. We NEED it!



Mark
"MC-ing"
the Kick-
Off Rally.



Our Kick-Off Rally attendance!
Whoo doggy!



The last picture of Texas A&M and other Texas peeps before leaving LT.



Macie catching up with
some students at our
Welcome Picnic.

THE END.

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Sunday School Island

Our work continues with studying the names of Jesus. We continue with **The Bright and Morning Star.**”

We continue with the names of Jesus. Our verse is Revelation 22:16, “I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star.” Stars were (and still are) used for navigation. You can follow the stars to find your way when you are lost. The same with Jesus—when you are lost, follow Him! But Jesus calls Himself the MORNING Star. The morning star is the last star we see each morning. We literally begin our day with the morning star. Shouldn’t we also begin it with the MORNING STAR? Isn’t it amazing how the Creator of our Universe has things so elegantly and beautifully arranged.



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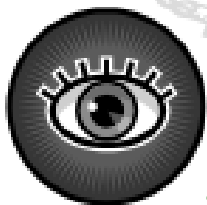
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Kid's Beach

Revelation: 22:16



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Sunday School Teacher's

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And so fulfill the Law of Christ."
(Gal. 6:2)

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Following the Star (Jesus)

Sometimes I will set a goal during my prayer time to stay and pray longer. Earnestly, seriously, and diligently I keep praying and seeking God. Often, something very special happens when I do this, I enter into that place where the love of God begins to overwhelm me., I become so aware of God being present, at that moment my prayers begin to get filled with faith! Consider setting a goal today to stay in prayer a little longer, earnestly seeking God until he is found. Perhaps you could set a goal to try this every day for a week or even a month, what about for a life time? Our verse says he "rewards" those who earnestly seek him.

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Mission: Makeover

Winter Youth Retreat

January 16-17, 2010

For: ages 12-21

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December 18, 2009

Cost: \$30

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Saturday, March 6, 2010

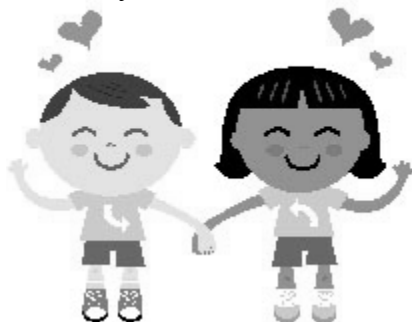
For: Pre-K -3rd grade

Registration Due:

February 13, 2010

Cost: \$15 (includes t-shirt)

Flyer and Forms: www.unityofthebrethrenyouth.com



For more information regarding these activities contact: Jennifer

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HUS School Encampment



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Youth Retreat Clinician: Amanda Hughes

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Youth News...

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Childrens' Rally: Saturday,
March 6

Summer Retreat: July 24-25;
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Prayer
9:30 a.m.
Sunday School for ALL Ages
10:30 a.m.
Worship

Wednesday Schedule

5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Night Meal
6:30 p.m.
KiD's ZoNe (ages 3 – 5th gr.)
Priority ONE Youth (6th gr. – 12th gr.)
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Daily Morsels for December 2009

Dorothy E. Kocian

1. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. Isa. 9:6
2. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom. Isa. 9:7
3. Serve the Lord with fear and rejoice with trembling. Ps. 2:11
4. "Be pleased to bless the house of your servant David, that it may continue forever in your sight, O Sovereign Lord." 2 Sam. 7:29
5. Give him the name Jesus. He will be great and be called the Son of the Most High. Lk. 1:32a
6. "The Lord will give Him the throne of His father David and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever." Lk. 1:32b, 33
7. "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me the one who will rule over Israel, whose origins are from ancient times." Micah 5:2
8. In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways. Heb. 1:1
9. The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever. Isa. 40:8
10. Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Ps. 119:89
11. The Lord said, "As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you." Josh. 1:5
12. He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David. Lk. 1:69
13. The Lord Himself will you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call Him Immanuel. Isa. 7:14
14. And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior." Lk. 1:46, 47
15. She judged him faithful who had promised. Heb. 11:11
16. For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. Jn. 3:16
17. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Rom. 3:23
18. They are declared not guilty by His grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. Rom. 3:24
19. Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord will never count against him. Rom. 4:8
20. "She will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus because He will save His people from their sins." Mt. 1:21
21. The angel said, "I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people." Lk. 2:10
22. They saw the child with His mother Mary and they bowed down and worshipped Him. Mt. 2:11
23. "We saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him." Mt. 2:2
24. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord. Eph. 5:19
25. Today a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord. Lk. 2:11
26. Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear. Isa. 58:8
27. When (the Wise Men) saw the star they were overjoyed. Mt. 2:10
28. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Joel 2:32
29. Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved. Acts 16:3
30. Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved. Acts 4:12
31. If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. Rom. 10:9

Annual Christian Sisters Bazaar, 2nd Saturday in September
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VITAL STATISTICS

MEMBERS RECEIVED

By Letter of Transfer:

MARY YORK, on October 4, 2009, at the Taylor Brethren Church. Minister: James Hejl.

RECENT BAPTISMS

JOSHUA COLE HERMAN, son of Robert Michael and Lisa Celeste (Hendrix) Herman, born on July 14, 2009, was baptized on October 25, 2009, at the Rosenberg Brethren Church. Sponsors: Tom and Janice Hendrix & Cathy Herman. Minister: Bro. Larry Butcher.

KINSEY LYNN VITEK, daughter of Kevin and Kristen Vitek, born April 2, 2009, was dedicated to the Lord on September 20, 2009. Minister: Rev. James Hejl.

Adult Baptism

ROBERT MICHAEL HERMAN was baptized on October 25, 2009, at the Rosenberg Brethren Church. Minister: Bro. Larry Butcher.

RECENT WEDDINGS

LAWRENCE-O'BRIEN. Brian Lawrence and Erica O'Brien were joined in marriage on October 3, 2009, in Austin, Texas. Minister: James Hejl.

CARTER-SNOW. John Carter and Nancy Snow were joined in marriage on October 24,

2009, at the Taylor Brethren Church. Minister: James Hejl.

WENTRCEK-MEHEVEC. Melvin Wentrcek and Anne Mehevec were joined in marriage on November 7, 2009, at the Taylor Mansion. Minister: James Hejl.

RECENT DEATHS

MOORE, MARTHA, age 54, member of Ocker Brethren Church, died September 6, 2009, at her home in the Red Ranger community. She was born November 13, 1954, to Robert and Joan Newkirk Sanders in Fort Worth and was married to Ronnie Moore on August 16, 1980. Martha is survived by her husband, 3 sons, 3 daughters, 14 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild, 2 brothers, 4 sisters, mother and stepfather, and father and stepmother. Services were held September 8, 2009, at the Gatesville Funeral Home with burial in Restland Cemetery in Gatesville. Minister: Ron Winsman.

COUFAL, CLARA OLGA, age 88 and member of the Ocker Brethren Church, died September 19, 2009, at Temple. She was born July 10, 1921, to John J. and Olga Marek Coufal in Oenaville. Clara is survived by two sisters, Olga Christy and Bessie Houy, both of Temple, and many nieces and nephews. Services were held at Ocker Brethren Church on September 22, 2009, with burial in Seaton Cemetery. Minister: Ron Winsman.

TURNER, SUE JONELL, age 57, died in September. She was born on January 29, 1952, to E.F. and Pauline Simmons, and was married to Danny Turner on June 5, 1970. Surviving her are her husband, a son and a daughter, her father, sisters, and four grandchildren. Services were at the Taylor Brethren Church on October 1, 2009. Minister: James Hejl.

CHERVENKA DAVIS, VIOLA LYDIA KOVAR, age 88, member of Ocker Brethren Church, died October 1, 2009, in College Station. She was born March 7, 1921, to Frank and Emma Luksa Kovar and married Woodrow Chervenka on May 20, 1941, who preceded her in death in December 2004. Viola later married Stanley Davis on September 26, 1992. She is survived by 1 son, 2 daughters, 8 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild. Services were held October 5, 2009, at Ocker Brethren Church with burial in Ocker Cemetery. Minister: Ron Winsman.

HAVERLAND, EDMOND F, age 81, died on October 12, 2009. He is survived by three children, two grandchildren, and one great grandchild. He was preceded in death by his wife Corrine. Graveside Services were on October 16, 2009, at the Taylor City Cemetery. Minister: James Hejl.

KROPP, JOE D., age 83, died October 23, 2009. He is survived by his wife Ella, two daughters, and three grandchildren. Services were held at the Taylor Brethren Church on October 27, 2009. Minister: James Hejl.

WUENSCH, DENISSE LYNETTE, born on October 29, 1966, in Taylor, died on October 19, 2009. Surviving her are her parents, Bobby and Ruth Ann, two sisters, two brothers, and several nieces and nephews. Services were held at the Taylor Brethren Church on October 23, 2009. Minister: James Hejl.

LESHIKAR, MARVIN JAMES, M.D., born on June 5, 1921, in Taylor, died on October 19, 2009, in his home town. He was preceded in death by his parents, five siblings, and a son. Dr. Leshikar is survived by his wife Barbara Jean, three sisters, six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Services were held at the Providence Funeral home on October 24, 2009. Minister: Chaplain Ralph McCulloh.

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Holy Communion on 1st Sunday.
Guest speaker on 4th Sunday.
– Rev. John Kueker

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Bible Study on Tuesday at 10:30 AM.
– Rev. Jim Heckman

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Sunday – 9:00 AM: Worship
10:00 AM: Faith Adventure
11:00 AM: Celebration
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