

They will call him Emmanuel which means "God with us" Matthew 1:23

## **Center Community Church**

# The Vision

JANUARY 2014

#### HANGING OF THE GREENS



#### Sunday, December 1

4:00 p.m. Decorate the building for Christmas

5:00 p.m. Finger Food Pitch-in Meal 6:00 p.m. Christmas Worship program

Children & Children's Bell Choir participating





Christmas Caroling - Sun., Dec. 8 - 4:00 p.m.

## "O Come, Let Us Adore Him!"

ALL CHURCH CHRISTMAS PITCH-IN DINNER & PROGRAM - Sat., Dec. 14 - 6:00 p.m.

An evening of Musical Celebration

c3 Christmas Party

Sun., Dec. 15 4:00 p.m.



#### **Children's Christmas**

Program—Sun., Dec. 22—6:00 p.m.

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES



## TUES., DEC. 24-6:00 P.M.



## RING IN THE NEW YEAR

with our CCC Family

Tuesday, December 31st, 7:30 - ???

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#### **From Roger**

#### **Christmas Patience**

On Christmas afternoon, the Pastor's wife dropped into an easy chair saying, "Boy! Am I ever tired!" Her husband looked over at her and said, "I had to conduct two special services last night, three today, and gave a total of five sermons. Why are you so tired?" "Dearest," she replied, "I had to listen to all of them."

"...live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light." Colossians 1:10-11

In all of the hubbub of the holiday season, as you run from this party to that, this sale and that bargain, decorating and celebrating, remember that in all things we need to represent Jesus. And when you find yourself in the midst of stress and confusion, remember to pray for endurance and patience. The Lord who is gracious will hear your prayer and give you what you need. And when searching for that perfect gift, keep in mind that God has already given it in Jesus Christ on that first Christmas day!

#### **Dear Church Family,**

Will you miss Christmas? Are we all so caught up in the advertising, the sales, the shopping, the lights, all the things that attract our attention, our thoughts, our emotions? There will be many people that will miss the true meaning of Christmas. So what is the true meaning of Christmas? It is John 3:16-17. 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." God sent His Son to save the world through him, to be like us and to take our punishment for our sins. He paid the price in full, and we are free from sin and all we have to do is accept that gift of love.

This Christmas, take the time to share with someone that is not so fortunate as you. Give a gift of sharing - something that can express your love that can spread the Word to others of how God loves us and loves them too! Take the time with your family and with others in your church, work or community to tell them of the birth of Jesus, found in Luke 2:1 -20. Also there are those who just need a hug and three small words: "I love you", as some have a feeling of loneliness and despair at this time of the year.

Merry Christmas from Ministry and Council Dan Smythe

#### THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE

is for your Christmas Gift to CCC Minister & Staff.

Please mail or put in the offering by December 15th

#### **RECYCLING PROJECT**

PLEASE continue to bring only aluminum cans and metals products. Cardboard is no longer accepted.

#### **NOTE:**

Please turn in information for the Newsletter by the <u>SE-COND</u> Sunday of the month.

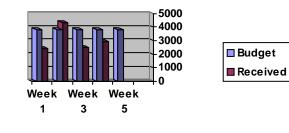
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<b>Stewardship</b>	<u>S.S.</u>	<u>A.M.</u>	General Fund
10/27	39	113	\$2,403.30
11/3	45	137	\$4,327.73
11/10	43	139	\$2,476.30
11/17	39	117	\$2,961.00

**BUILDING FUND** (as of 11/14/13) \$161,749.17

(Does not include the Recycling Fund)



"And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus."

—Philippians 4:19 (NIV)

### From the Missions Ministry

#### SHELTERING WINGS-Domestic Abuse Center

Sheltering Wings is located in Hendricks County and provides a safe haven to victims of abuse. Along with our church, other churches, and many organizations support this much needed ministry throughout the year. This year, so far, 299 victims of domestic abuse were saved by seeking refuge at the shelter.

Recently the shelter held its annual vigil honoring domestic violence victims. During the vigil, 39 white roses were displayed, representing those who died in Indiana from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 as a result of domestic violence. The shelter has found that 85 % of victims are women and 15% are men.

There are many forms of abuse including verbal, emotional, psychological, economic, sexual, physical and spiritual. During the vigil, an Indianapolis police officer, Rod Bradway was honored as he had died in the line of duty responding to a domestic violence disturbance.

The shelter opened 11 years ago and since then 12000 phone calls have been received from distressed families. Often the families flee the dangerous situation leaving their possessions behind. Sheltering Wings provides all that is needed and much more, such as spiritual counciling, safety, and hope for a life without abuse. The phone number for the shelter is 317 765 1496 and their web site is www.shelteringwings.org.

#### K. Pat Adams

For the Missions Ministry

#### CHRISTMAS GIFTS for COOKSON KIDS

#### REMEMBER

all gifts for the Children at Cookson Hills Christian Home are due no later than December 8th.



## CCC CHRISTMAS CARD BOX

A "mail box" is provided during the Christmas season for you to put your cards into for our CCC family.

PLEASE USE THE UPDATED LIST that you will find on the table by the Office.

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## CHRISTMAS IN PLAINFIELD

Friday, December 13th, 7:00 p.m. at Plainfield High School Auditorium OUR CCC CHOIR WILL BE SINGING!



#### **THANKS**

I was very surprised to find that I had received cards from fellow church members. The beautiful verses inside each card lifted my spirits. Most of the people here know me but I don't know all of you. I will in time. I am so thankful to my Church Family.

God bless you! Doris Fisher

Thank you for the blanket and lunch. Cards, support and prayers during this difficult time were greatly appreciated.

Love, The Boles family

Thank you all so very much to my Church Family for the visits, calls, cards and especially prayers. I love each and very one of you and all are very important in my life.

God bless, K. Pat Adams

#### SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS

A Sign Language class will begin in January. Please sign up if you would like to learn the basics of Sign Language. Contact Juanita Mitchener for information.

#### **GOLDEN FELLOWSHIP**

Join us at Golden Corral on Wednesday, December 4th at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and fellowship.

#### YOU ARE INVITED



#### **Baby Shower**

for Meghan and Chris Brock Sat., Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. They're having a boy!

#### **SYMPATHY**

To the family and friends of Kay Boles.

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

#### **Church members with health concerns:**

K. Pat Adams	Dollie Allen	Bob Bare
Joyce Bennett	Dale Best	Jerry & Pat Boles
Bob Butler	Betty Collester	Sharon Davis
Helen Doran	Lois Eller	Clyde & Jane Fields
Charley Harlan	Alice Henderson	Billy Hines
Jane Jett	Shirley Joslin	Tim Krebs
Ruth Lovell	Denise Mejean	Glenn Newby
Dean Pappas	Ruthie Rayl	Geri Shepherd
Nancy Smith	Dan Smythe	Stephani Steckler
Linda Stegner	Jon & Sarah Taylor	Carolyn Wallace
Jean Weber	Andy Willis	Rita Wooldridge

Family and Friends
Tom Goedl, cancer
Rathy Rayl for salvation & health
Chris Steckler

Requested by
Bob & Barbara Goedl
Ruthie Rayl
Stephani Steckler

#### **Serving our Country**

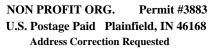
Thomas Akin, Army Shirley Joslin Shawn Capps, Marines Monty & Terri Cook Kurtis Clark, Nat'l Guard Tim Clark Brian Ewig, Nat'l Guard Clyde & Jane Fields Matthew Ewig, Nat'l Guard Clyde & Jane Fields Zachary McCormack, Nat'l Guard Norman & Ruby McCormack Michael McDowell, Nat'l Guard Toni Belcher Brad Mejean, Army Dave & Denise Mejean Jacob Slusher, Navy Bob & Barbara Goedl Eric Smith, Navy Monty & Terri Cook Joe Villarreal, Marines Sharon Davis Scott Weaver, Air Force Jerry Weaver Ryan Yocum, Army Dave & Denise Mejean

If there are others you would like to have included, contact the Office.

#### REMINDERS

...Please ask for "stamps" when you shop at Family Christian Store. Turn them into the Office to be used for purchasing materials...Please bring ink cartridges to the Church Office for recycling. Just put them on the table by the Office door...You may donate Bibles to the Christian Support Center. (Please put them in the special box in the Lobby.)...Invite someone to Worship

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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship 10:10 a.m.

Wednesday Meal 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Adult Class 7:00 p.m.

(No Wednesday Meal or Class on January 2.)

	Jan. 6	Jan. 13	Jan. 20	Jan. 27
Service Leader	A. Thorpe	A. Thorpe	A. Thorpe	A. Thorpe
Pianist	C. Hines	C. & C. Mitchell	C. Lane	C. & C. Mitchell
Special Music	J. Harlan	N. McWhorter	R. Clark	R. Foggin T. Clark
Communion Meditation	D. Moran	J. Steckler	C. Harlan	B. Hines
CHILDREN'S CHURCH				
Teacher	D. Dummel	C. Harlan	D. Dummel	C Harlan
Craft/Game	N. Smythe	D. Mejean	M. Harlan	N. Smythe
Toddlers Assistant	J. Harlan B. Hines	B. Moran K. Williams	J. Mitchener M. Hudson	B. Lenz B. Patterson
Nursery	Felisha Dummel			

In response to God's love for us, as expressed in His Word and by Jesus' example, we at Center Community Church commit ourselves to:

- \* Seek and save the lost
- \* Strengthen the saved
- \* Send disciples into ministry For the glory of God and His kingdom.