



Family

West Chicago Church of Christ

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Magi Boxes

Families, congregations, schools, and youth groups across the U.S. are preparing to share their compassion and love with needy children by sending them a simple shoebox (Magi Box) packed with toys, candy, hygiene supplies, and clothing. Through Healing Hands International, members of the Churches of Christ distribute these boxes to children in poverty stricken countries who may have never received a present. The boxes we prepare are shipped to Mission Lazarus in Honduras.



The deadline to have your Magi Boxes to the church building is Sunday, October 7. We encourage each one of you to get involved in the Magi Project and give new hope and joy to children in Honduras. If you have questions see Jay or Sally Hearn. If you would like more information check www.hhi.org.

Orphan Sunday

The date for Lifeline of Hope's Orphan Sunday is **September 30th** in which there will be a special collection.



Be praying about your support for this great work.

Lifeline of Hope is a non-profit organization that has been aiding and supporting orphans and homeless children in Far East Russia for more than five years and is now providing aid in several other countries as well. Lifeline currently supports over 17,000 orphan children through financial contributions and gifts. Their mission is to bring hope to the orphans of the world by providing food, shelter, medical, children's Bibles, educational assistance, and adoption services. If you would like more information check www.lifelineofhope.org.

WBS Impact Sunday

Next Sunday, September 16th, World Bible School is calling for a great partnership effort in reaching out to 465,000 high school age young people with the gospel. There will be a special collection taken next Sunday to support the work of World Bible School.



Since the 1950's, WBS has been sending Bible correspondence courses free-of-charge to students around the world. They now serve over 2 million students from 141 nations by postal mail, by email, and on the world wide web - STILL free of charge. If you would like more information check www.worldbibleschool.org.

West Chicago Crop Walk

The West Chicago Crop Walk is scheduled for **Sunday, September 30.** Volunteers are needed to find sponsors and walk five miles to raise money for global hunger relief and for local food pantries. We also need a couple of people to spend the afternoon of September 30 at the church building so walkers have a rest stop. See Cliff Plummer or Scott Fordyce if you would like more information.

Loose Change to Loose Chains

Loose Change to Loosen Chains was founded by 15-year-old Zach Hunter because he felt he needed to do something to bring freedom to modern-day slavery victims. LC2LC is a group of students and emerging leaders who want to see the trade in human beings stopped. Together we can make a difference to abolish slavery!



Several loose change cups are available at the back of the auditorium or you may give a contribution to Cliff. The deadline for your donation will be at the end of October.

If you would like more information read the book, *Be the Change*, by Zach Hunter or go to www.lc2lc.org.

GIVING

Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."
Mark 10:21

Welcome to the West Chicago Church of Christ

If you are visiting with us, we especially want to welcome you. We pray our time together worshipping our Father in heaven will be uplifting and encouraging.

Bible classes are available for all ages. Babies can be taken to the nursery located at the back of the auditorium. All other children meet in classrooms downstairs. Teens meet in the teen room, which is also located at the back of the auditorium. Adult classes meet in the auditorium and in the fellowship room downstairs. The adult class which meets in the auditorium is interpreted for the deaf, as well as this morning's worship.

Our Small Group Fellowship program takes place during the fall, winter and spring months and is on the first and third Sundays of each month and is in lieu of the Sunday evening worship. The Small Group Fellowship schedule does change occasionally due to holidays.

You are an honored guest and we want to thank you for being a part of our worship this morning!

Sunday Morning Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
(No evening worship on Small Group Fellowship Sundays)
 Wednesday Evening Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of our elders.

Elders:

Don Brewster **Bob Jett**
Chuck Miller **Bob Voigts**

Deacons:

Justin Avey: Benevolence, Fellowship, Stewardship & Leadership

Jay Hearn: Worship & Pulpit, Communications, Outreach, Education, Benevolence

Cliff Plummer: Fellowship, Benevolence, Education

Curt Robinson: Education, Stewardship & Leadership

Rick Root: Communications, Education, Stewardship & Leadership

Paul Stirrup: Stewardship & Leadership, Benevolence



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This Morning...

Please take a moment to fill out an attendance card, especially if you are a guest this morning. Please pass them to the aisle to be picked up before the sermon. Prayer cards are also available in the pew rack. You may choose to have prayers by the elders, a prayer warrior or by the whole church family. If you choose "whole church family" it will be announced following the sermon.

Order of Worship

- Welcome
- Singing - Jay Hearn
- Announcements - Curt Robinson
- Singing
- Prayer - Don Brewster
- Singing
- Lord's Supper
- Contribution and Prayer Card Collection
- Sermon - Cliff Plummer
- Singing
- Prayer Card Responses and Prayer - Bob Voigts
- Announcements
- Singing
- Closing Prayer - Scott Drumheller

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- September 9. . . Emily Gray, Mike & Lisa Henkel (anv.)
- September 10 Katherine Lemley
- September 12 Curt Robinson
- September 14 Margaret Henkel

Dates to Remember

- September 15 Shults-Lewis Annual Day
- September 16 WBS Impact Sunday
- September 16 Small Groups Pot Luck
- September 20-23 Teen Leadership Retreat
- September 26 Teen "See You At The Pole"
- September 30 Orphan Sunday

Records You Helped Make

- Sunday Morning Bible Class 66
- Sunday Morning Worship 94
- Wednesday Evening Bible Class 45
- Contribution \$29,388.60

www.wcfamily.org

Check out our updated website: www.wcfamily.org. It is a great way to tell your friends about our church family. Our goal is to make it the regular place to find information.

In Our Prayers...

Taylor Baum attends Shelby Root's school. She was diagnosed with leukemia and has been in remission. The cancer has returned with great strength. They are discussing more chemotherapy and a transplant. She has an infection which she must get over before she can take more chemo.

Wayne Baxman, Dana Howard's uncle, is recuperating from surgery.

Paul & Judy Bertrand, Lynette Root's parents, continue to deal with health issues, including allergies.

Bob Czernik, Chris's husband, is doing a little better. He has pain now and then and is still losing weight, but he is eating better. They are very grateful for everyone's prayers.

Julie Chavez is suffering with many health issues related to her diabetes, such as, severe leg ulcers, edema of hands and feet, elevated blood pressure and cholesterol.

Teesa & Sam are friends of Missy Day. **Sam** is 11 months old and had heart surgery on Wednesday. **Teesa,** his mother, is recuperating from viral meningitis.

Joyce Eakins was in the hospital the last couple of weeks because of depression. She is one of our deaf friends.

Mary Henkel, Mike's mother, has had health issues from not taking her medication properly.

Dana Howard continues to recuperate from her toe surgery and is able to go back to work.

The father of Darryl Jinkerson (a former member) passed away last Monday.

Al Keating, an employee of the Henkel's, has a baseball-sized cyst in his neck. Pray that it is not cancerous.

Chuck & Bobby Miller are struggling with some health issues while they are with Tim in Michigan.

Tim Miller continues to recuperate in the hospital while they begin plans to move him to a rehabilitation center. Regular updates and a message board can still be read by registering at www.carepages.com and entering "tmill2007" as the CarePage name. The address at the hospital is: Northern Michigan Hospital, 416 Connable Avenue, Petoskey, MI 49770.

Linda Vantreese is at Pershing Convalescent Home, 3900 Oak Park Ave., Berwyn, 60402. Call her at 244-2416.

Those suffering with long-term issues:

Andrea Bailey - a former member from California

Irene Barnes - Lynette Root's aunt

Lisa Beverly - Sandy Boyd's sister who has MS

Bonnie Bingham

Jim Brannon - Pat Brewster's brother-in-law

Mary Brent - Joe Kirts' sister

Nancy Brewster

John Day

Al Dorsey

Chad Englebach - Marie Hayes' grandson

Amy Ferguson - a former member from Montana

Jean Gray - Linda Vantreese's sister

Elizabeth Griffin

Josephine Haggerton

Thomas Haggerton - Josephine's nephew

Sarah Hayden & family - Maria Zeisler's relative

Kathy Huml - John Pedersen's sister

Amy Kalupski - sister-in-law of Julie Chavez's friend

Joe and Star Kuhnle - Chuck & Bobbye's foster son

Sue Lake - Marion's sister-in-law

Don Lemley

Debbie Lawrence - Bobbie Whitman's niece

Anne Librande - Joanne Johnson's mother

Steve Link

Jack Lockett - the father of Charlie, Mike, Shelley,

Julie Chavez, Missy Kissane, & Becky Pedersen

Joan Lockett

Mike Lockett - Joan's son

Laura Mahan - Shirley Rucker's daughter

Steve & Melissa Massie family

Danielle Nichols - Alyssa Milam's niece

Josh Otte - Chris Czernik's nephew and the son of

Marion Lake's cousin

Doug Peterson

Melinda Poff - the sister of Jason Willis

Neil & Pat Ronzheimer - Nancy Doggett's sister & brother-in-law

Kay Schrader

Chester & Phyllis Sitler

Bruce Snyder - Bob Voigts cousin

Ollie Taylor - the niece of Lynette Root's friend

Eudie Voigts - Bob's mother

Jim & Jamie Winner

Jeremy & Jim Whitman

Donna Young's parents

Michael Young - Alan's brother

Rick & Gina Zamora - Melissa Massie's brother and sister-in-law

Mothers-to-be:

Natalie Conner - Sally Hearn's niece

Kelly Ieler

Laura Leo - Bob & Betsy Jett's daughter

Tami Urso - Dan & Linda Vantreese's daughter

Gina Zamora

Olivia Zeisler - Maria's daughter-in-law

Armed forces overseas:

Greg Billings - Justin Avey's employee

Evan Boyd - Tim & Sandy's nephew in Afghanistan

Dustin Meritt - Justin Avey's employee

Tyechia (Keesha) Price - a friend from RCC in Iraq

David Teel - Justin Avey's employee

John Tokarewich - the father of Sabrina Link's friend

Missionaries:

Jarrold, Allison, Soledad & Levi Brown - Honduras (especially for their adoption process of Soledad)

Obadiah Doka & Family - Nigeria

Dry Bones Ministry - homeless teens in Denver, CO

Juan & Roxanna Flores - Honduras

Leonardo Ken & family - Honduras

Keith, Kim, Candace, Laura & John Mark Lango - Brazil

Makinde Olufemi - Nigeria

Shults-Lewis - the teens, their families, the workers

Baptism!

Kaylie Ross, the daughter of Mark & Tammy Ross, was baptized at RCC Friday evening of the Labor Day retreat. Proud Grandma is Nadine McCormick. May God bless this young lady!



Shults-Lewis Annual Day

Next Saturday, September 15th, is the Shults-Lewis Annual Day at Valparaiso, IN. Start the day with a biscuits & gravy breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Tours of the campus, craft/food booths and a huge garage sale can be enjoyed throughout the day.

Chicago Celebration

Mark your calendars for the Chicago Celebration scheduled for Sunday, November 11, at the Tinley Park Convention Center. Registration is from 2:30 - 3:00 and worship begins at 3:00 p.m. It is a gathering of Christians from the Chicago area to worship and fellowship.

Youth & Family News

TEENS: "Newbie Day" is TODAY! Teens, plan to stay for lunch in the fellowship room, then stay for an afternoon of games and bowling with our new 7th graders - Margaret Henkel, Hunter Mathews, Chris Robinson and Kaylie Ross. We'll wrap-up with dinner and a devotional at the Stirrup's home at 5:00. Bring \$10 for lunch and other activities. Teens will be brought back to the church building for evening worship.

Those of you planning to walk in the **Crop Walk on Sunday, September 30**, make sure you're getting sponsors. See Cliff with questions.

See You At the Pole is Wednesday, September 26. What's going on at your school!?!?

The **RCC Columbus Day Retreat** is the weekend of October 5 - 8. Registration forms should be mailed by Friday, September 21.

GIRLS: How about an all-girls road trip for grades 6-12! Lori is taking our girls to the "Revolve Tour" in Minneapolis, MN, November 9-10. Speaker topics include family relationships, guys, and being real; and entertainment includes Hawk Nelson, Natalie Grant, Ayiesha Woods and KJ-52! **Sign-up outside the Teen Room by September 23.** Cost is \$100, including registration and lodging.

Sunday Morning Bible Class Teachers

The curriculum this quarter is 21st Century Christian, New Life Through His Word, the HeartShaper Series. The teachers are:

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| Nursery: | Bev Day |
| Preschool: | Frances Shearer |
| K - Grade 1: | Becky Pedersen |
| Grades 2 - 4: | Steve Link |
| Grades 5 & 6: | Jay Hearn |
| Grades 7 - 12: | Cliff Plummer |



Please note: During this quarter the teen class will meet in the fellowship room and the second adult class will meet in the teen room.

Friday Fun Nights!

Friday Fun Nights will be held on the last Friday of each month. If you would like to plan, host or help with an event or movie, please see Cliff or Lori.

The next **Friday Fun Night** will be on **September 28 at 7:00 p.m.** here at the building to play games. Bring finger foods and a 2-litre of pop.

Food Pantry Donations

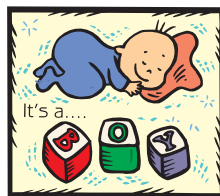
The pantry needs spaghetti and breakfast cereals. Place your donations in the container by the restrooms.

Next Sunday, September 16!

There are a couple of celebrations planned for our **All-Church Potluck next Sunday**. It will be in the fellowship room immediately following morning worship. There is no "theme" and there will be NO meat provided for the luncheon, so it will be a "potluck" in the truest sense of the word. However, a cake and drinks will be provided.

Celebration 1: A Baby Shower for Rick & Gina Zamora

Join us in celebrating the upcoming birth of Rick & Gina's baby boy. Please bring un-wrapped gifts to display in a playpen. Look in the foyer for a list of gift ideas posted on the bulletin board.



Celebration 2: Small Group Fellowships Kick-off!

After our meal we will break up into our small groups for an introductory meeting - find out who is in each group and what we will be studying and decide when and where each group is planning to meet.

