



KirkWood Kronicle

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Dear Members and Friends of KirkWood,

I remarked the other day to my friends at the Friday morning prayer group how I chuckle at marketing attempts to make the Bible more attractive to present day consumers. Here are a few examples: about 2 - 3 years ago, Harper Bibles produced the Renovare' Spiritual Formation Bible; it has Richard Foster, Dallas Willard, Walter Brueggemann, and Eugene Peterson as editors. The cover was basically your black and white cover. Now the Bible is produced with a new multicolor photo cover and a new title: "The Life with God Bible". Same Bible, new cover.

Zondervan Publishing has produced the NIV Bible for a variety of age and interests: Celebrate Recovery, Women's Devotional, Men's Devotional, Teen Devotional, Grandmother's Bible, Couples' Devotional, Youth Walk, Daily Walk, Sports Devotional, Stewardship Study, and so on.

Some folks prefer the ESV Study Bible - it's a new translation using the RSV as its template; don't forget the TNIV, or the NLT or the NRSV or the Message.

It's all very serious but I can't help giggling at how the publishing houses are trying to find that particular niche which will be a major source of income for them. But in fact it really is a serious matter.

The Bible is the word of God.

It needs to be read, studied and most of all obeyed.

I hope all of you will join me in reading the Bible each day, no matter which translation or cover you choose.

I still like black leather and giant print. The RSV works fine for me.

That's right, I'm getting older.

See you in church,

Michael

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Fellowship Dinner and Bonfire

October 25th, 6:00 P.M.

Pumpkin Decorating Contest!

See Details on page 8

Then stay for the Bonfire, S'mores, and Singing round the fire!!!



Bible Readings for the Month

Oct. 4	Mark 10:2-16
Oct. 11	Mark 10:17-31
Oct. 18	Mark 10:35-45
Oct. 25	Mark 10:46-52



Our Sympathies extend to:

- Kirk Reno on the death of his uncle, John
- Zak Minor on the death of his uncle, Ed
- Kathy Lewis on the death of her aunt, Marie
- Ada Ward on the death of her sister-in-law, Gwen
- John Combs on the death of his mother, Hazel
- Karin Heaton on the death of her uncle, Jerry
- Ruth Lee on the death of her uncle, Harold
- Wanda Birch on the death of her nephew, Rick
- Phyllis Smith on the death of her husband, Fred
- Camea' Allen on the death of her cousin, Richard
- Camea' Allen on the death of her step-brother, Adam
- Nancy Keithley on the death of her niece, Margaret

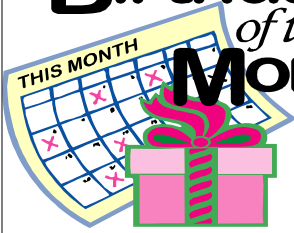
Permanent Prayer List for January - October

Please continue to pray for:

- Reggie Strickland
- Art Patteson's co-worker's wife, Marilyn
- Jerry Deaton's friend, Doug
- Connie Sledd's aunt, Anna Marie
- Don Nelson's niece, Sylvia
- Wanda Birch's niece, Patty
- Sandy Ritter's former co-worker, Mary
- Ken Kingsmore's sister-in-law, Kim
- Carl Maymi's grandma, Pilar
- Helene Watson's friend's son, James
- Allison Hoffman
- Virginia Wilcox
- Pat Kingsmore's son, Scott
- Janet Deaton's sister, Betty
- Roy Pace's sister, Susan
- Mary Ames' sister, Jean
- Jackie Whitaker
- Twyla Boyer's parishner, Deb
- Wanda Birch's aunt, Pat
- Sandy Ritter's sister, Wendy
- Pepper Westbrook's cousin's grandson, Stephen
- Pat Kingsmore's friend, Alise
- Ken Kingsmore's friends, Fran & Jerry
- Norene Lovdahl's friend, Diane
- Mary Ames
- John Brawley
- Ken Kingsmore's friends, Matt & Allison
- Pepper Westbrook's brothers, Richard & Robert
- Sharon Flint's boss, Virginia & son, Matthew
- Tom Briggs' cousin, Sherwood
- Ken Kingsmore's former boss, Ken
- Donna O'Hara's dad, Faust
- April Mershon's Grandpa Duffee
- April Mershon's grandma, Louise
- Nancy Risdien's friend, Marilyn's mom, Marion
- Mary Burtnette's brother, Preston
- Troy Lander's friend & co-worker, Branson
- Jim Ritter's friend, Henry
- Connie Barlow's friend, Louise
- Wanda Birch's nephew, Jeff
- Lew Goodman's co-worker, John's wife
- Jim Birch's sister-in-law, Edi
- Bill Cunningham's sister & brother-in-law, Anne & Ed
- Catherine Nierescher's family member, George
- Wilma Mitchell's cousin, Jesse
- Lynn Pierce's friend, Jackie
- Nancy Keithley's sons, Art & Michael
- Paul Stough's cousin, Billy
- Dick LaBarre's friends, Dick and Bill
- Linda Mabrey's brother, Bob
- Catherine Nierescher's niece, Gwendolyn
- Jim Mershon's aunt's mom, Betty
- Bob Bennett
- Zuma Glass' mom



Birthdays of the Month



Happy Birthday to the following during the month of October:

Joby Jansen, Jr.	10/2
Alayna O'Hara	
Amanda Snell	
Nancy Catlett	10/3
Wesley Nicholas	
Drew Ledford	10/4
Leslie Thompson	10/5
Ruth Lee	10/6
Grady Barnett	10/8
Rachel Fisher	10/9
Carl Maymi	
Michael Nickerson	
Nate Nickerson	
Ava Scott	
Anne-Marie Hasstedt	10/10
Jamie Mershon	
Alex Brambani	10/13
Jamie Reno	
Cliff Williford	
Jim Birch	10/15
Meredith Kepley	
Arba Williamson	10/16
Brent Hinson	10/17
Liza Brambani	10/18
Mary Ann Kelly	
Alyson Searles	
Zuma Glass	10/19
Emily Smith	
Catherine Gleason	10/20
Bob Pregler	
Leanne Clifford	10/23
Judy Dunn	10/24
Sammy Snell	

Karen Pittman	10/25
Reggie Strickland	
Jonathan Harvey	10/27
Mireya Maymi	
David Price	
Katie Reece	
Michael Robbins	10/28
Robin Williford	
Kathryn Kelly	10/29
Janet Deaton	10/30
Lew Goodman	
Cailynn Pottinger	
Paul Gilbert	10/31

10/28
Dave and Pam Falls
10/30
Rob and Barbara Ball



Births in the Church Family

Congratulations to Greg and Tara Shaw on the birth of their daughters, Lucille Faye and Marissa Nicole Shaw on September 16th. Lucy and Marissa will be greeted at home by Angela and Will. Steve and Faye Shaw are the proud grandparents.



Happy Anniversary to the following couples during the month of October:

10/01
David and Ruth Duxbury
Drew and Alison Trivett
10/2
Philip and Rachel Desch
10/5
Tom and Allison Hoffman
10/10
Mike and Cindi Parker
10/18
Carl and Kathy Lewis
10/21
Bob and Tami Maloney
10/22
Jim and Catherine Nierescher
10/23
Darin and Margaret Mills
10/25
Al and Connie Sledd

Pumpkin Patch Palooza

The Pumpkin Patch begins October 3rd with a great Saturday afternoon, Pumpkin Patch Palooza! From 12-4pm we will have hot dogs and drinks, a photographer to take pictures of families at the patch, face painting, stick on tattoos, and a Moon Walk at the Pumpkin Patch. Bring the kids; tell your friends; come on out and have a fun afternoon! We will do it all over again on October 24th so put that date on your calendar too.



October 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Pumpkin Patch Hours October 3 - 31	Mon. - Thurs. 10:00 - 7:00 Fri.-Sat. 10:00 - 8:00	Sun. 12:00 - 7:00		1 9:30 AM - 2 or More - Farrah 6:45 PM - Selah Group - Deaton 7:00PM - Martha Cir. Stepping Stones - Knowles 7:15 PM - 5 Smooth Stones - Williams	2 7:00 AM - Prayer Warriors 4:00 PM - Pumpkin Delivery 5:00 PM - K.I.C.K.—Kick-off 7:15 PM - Friday Night Lights - Mershon	3 8:00 AM - Bike Ride 9:30 AM - KYG - Soup Kitchen - St. Paul's 12:00 PM - Pumpkin Patch Palooza
4 Food Pantry 9:40 AM - Melody Singers 12:00 PM - New Member Class 3:30 PM - King's Kids 4:00 PM - Youth Choir 5:00 PM - HandBells 6:00 PM - DG Fac. Trg	5 7:00 PM - God's S.T.A.R.S.- Nelson	6 1:00 PM - Staff Meeting 7:00 PM - Youth Committee 7:30 PM - Mission Committee Worship Committee	7 6:00 PM - Praise Team 7:00 PM - A Beautiful Mess- Hudgins Men's Choir 7:30 PM - Christmas Cantata Choir 8:30 PM - Adult Choir	8 9:30 AM - Clergy Growth Seminar 2 or More - Farrah 6:45 PM - Selah Group - Deaton 7:00 PM - GPS - Egyud Stepping Stones - Knowles 7:15 PM - 5 Smooth Stones - Williams	9 7:00 AM - Prayer Warriors 7:15 PM - Friday Night Lights - Mershon Iron Men - Maloney Men's Retreat - Ft. A.P. Hill	10 8:00 AM - Bike Ride Men's Retreat - Ft. A.P. Hill
11 H.O.P.E. Offering 12:00 PM - New Member Class 12:00 PM - New Member Class 4:00 PM - Youth Choir 5:00 PM - HandBells Men's Retreat - Ft. A.P. Hill	12 7:00 PM - God's S.T.A.R.S.- Nelson	13 10:00 AM - Sarah Circle Bible Study 5:30 PM - Congregational Care Committee 7:00 PM - Christian Education Committee	14 6:00 PM - Praise Team 7:00 PM - A Beautiful Mess- Hudgins Men's Choir 7:30 PM - Christmas Cantata Choir 8:30 PM - Adult Choir	15 9:30 AM - 2 or More - Farrah 11:30 AM - KirkWood Silver Luncheon 6:45 PM - Selah Group - Deaton 7:00PM - Martha Cir. Stepping Stones - Knowles 7:15 PM - 5 Smooth Stones - Williams	16 7:00 AM - Prayer Warriors 4:00 PM - Pumpkin Delivery 7:15 PM - Friday Night Lights - Mershon	17 8:00 AM - Bike Ride 6:00 PM - Choir Warm-up 7:00 PM - We All Sing for Menchville House
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25 Kronicle Deadline 12:00 PM - New Member Class 6:00 PM - Fellowship Harvest Dinner and Bonfire	26 7:00 PM - God's S.T.A.R.S.- Nelson	27 9:00 AM - Presbytery Mtg. - Hidenwood Presbyterian 7:00 PM - Property and Facility Committee 7:30 PM - Planning & Leadership Dev. Committee	28 6:00 PM - Praise Team 7:00 PM - A Beautiful Mess- Hudgins Men's Choir 7:30 PM - Christmas Cantata Choir 8:30 PM - Adult Choir	29 9:30 AM - 2 or More - Farrah 6:45 PM - Selah Group - Deaton 7:00 PM - Stepping Stones - Knowles 7:15 PM - 5 Smooth Stones - Williams	30 7:00 AM - Prayer Warriors 10:00 AM - Kronicle Folding 7:15 PM - Friday Night Lights - Mershon	31 8:00 AM - Bike Ride

Worship + 2 is this year's theme to start your journey toward KirkWood's new vision: *A Christian community Knowing, Loving, and Serving Christ, to make Him known to all.* The worship committee can use your help. Here are some of the many activities of the worship committee.

- **MUSIC MINISTRY:** Attend rehearsals and perform at various services throughout the year.
- **WORSHIP LEADERS:** Lead the service from the call to worship through the New Testament Reading. For Laity Sundays, also needed are a preacher, and someone to lead the service after the sermon.
- **NURSERY WORKERS:** Two adults to care for the children in the nursery on a rotating basis.
- **USHERS:** Arrive ½ hour early to meet and greet worshippers and collect offering during services (usually once a month)
- **MEDIA DESK:** Learn how to run the media desk for Sunday mornings.
- **COMMUNION PREPARERS:** Prepare, set up, and clean up the elements for communion services.
- **DECORATOR:** Decorate the church for Christmas, Lent Cross, and Easter as well as to help with changing banners and paraments.
- **SANCTUARY MAINTENANCE:** Sharpening pencils straightening pews, and checking Bibles and Hymnals.
- **BULLETINS:** Help folding bulletins on Thursdays; and preparing Kronicles for mailing.
- **COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** Attend meetings and provide input. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of February, April, June, August, October and December.

If you can help with any of these activities, please call Nancy Ridsen 898-1915 or email at nrisden@cox.net

The Music Department:

The Christmas Cantata Choir has started rehearsals, if you are **still** interested in joining this Music Ministry please contact Rae Lyn or just show up for rehearsal on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM. **The Christmas Cantata will be open to high school students in Youth Choir and all adults.** This year's cantata will be "Journey of Hope - The Birth of The Savior" by Camp Kirkland & Tom Fettke.



Time Changes to Sunday Choir Rehearsals

King's Kids - 1st and 3rd Sundays - 3:30 - 4:00 P.M.

Youth Choir - 4:00 - 4:45 P.M. (3-4 Sundays each month)

Gabriel HandBell Choir - 5:00 - 6:15 P.M. (3-4 Sundays/month)

Raphael HandBell Choir - 5:00 - 6:15 P.M. (3-4 Sundays/month)



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September WOW Newsletter

Welcome to the 2009-2010 WOW Sunday school year.

Bible Stories

The first and second grades will be learning about God's love and kindness this fall. They will be studying stories about the birth of Jesus, and about Moses and Joshua.

The third, fourth, and fifth grades will be learning about God's connection in a Kid's world; they will also be studying stories of freedom about Moses and Jesus' birth.

Bible Verse

Each week the children will have a bible verse to memorize for the next week.

When your child has received five stars he/she can choose a **prize** from the treasure chest. Every two weeks your child will be bringing home an activity page that will have been done in WOW along with a take home paper that can be done as a family to reinforce what they are learning in WOW.

Mission

Each week we will take up an offering to help our children learn what it means to give for a needy cause. For the months of September and October the money collected will go toward buying a roof for the feeding center for our sister church, CPK Mikondo in the Congo.

In November our offering will go toward the Heifer Project. The children will decide what they will buy to help (a goat, cow, or chickens)!

Christmas Program

Beginning September 20, for the first 10 minutes of WOW Rae Lyn will practice with the children, who will learn five Christmas songs that they will sing on December 13 at 6:30 PM for the Christmas Program.

Thanks for your support, both here at KirkWood and at home. We strongly believe in Proverbs 22:6, and we would love to have you involved in our youth education program! If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Faye Shaw at 868-4290 or e-mail afshaw921@aol.com. God Bless!



Pictures from Rally Day Picnic

← Youth Mission Trip Worship Leaders waiting in line for food

Be sure to sign-up for Worship + 2 soon →





Youth Group News

Fisher Kids

In September we kicked off with the Video Hit Squad which is always lots of fun. If you missed it, don't worry! We will have plenty more opportunities for fun, fellowship and service. Next up . . . Pumpkins! The dates for all of the pumpkin patch activities are included. Please plan on coming out and helping when you can. The Pumpkin Patch helps us raise money toward the Youth Mission Trip each summer! Don't forget to sign up for a shift selling pumpkins with your family. Sign up sheets are hanging outside the church

office.

Pumpkin Patch Set-Up: September 27th from 2:00 to 4:00pm (Bring work gloves if you have them.)

P u m p k i n s Delivered: October 2nd @ 4:00pm (Work gloves again and a wheel barrow if you have one!)

Pumpkin Patch Palooza: October 3rd from 12:00 to 4:00pm - The Fisher Kids are going to be responsible for Face Painting, Tattoos, Story Time, manning a Moonwalk,

and possibly other activities for our younger Pumpkin Patch patrons. Please come help, and have some fun!

More Pumpkins Delivered: October 16th @ 4:00pm

All Middle School aged kids are welcome to join us. Bring a friend!

In Christ,
Scott & Paige Shoun
Joy & Troy Landers

KYG

Greeting KYG Friends,

A BIG thank you to all of you who participated in the youth church services last month. We heard nothing but positive responses and a lot of "you all should do that more often." Great job! October is our pumpkin month and we will need a lot of help from all of you. Remember this is our BIG money maker for our mission trip as well as our food supplies for the Soup Kitchen. Even if you are not planning on going on the mission trip, we could use your help and we always have a lot of fun. Our first load of pumpkins arrive on October 2nd at 4:00 pm and our second

delivery is on the 16th, same time. We clean it all up on November 7, beginning at 8:00 am. Please sign up to work some shifts at the patch as well. This will help cut your mission trip costs. New this year will be our Pumpkin Patch Palooza. This is tying in with the church's new mission for KirkWood. It will be on Saturday the 3rd and Saturday the 24th from noon to 4:00 pm. It will be focused on bringing the community to KWPC. We will have a "Bounce House," free food and drinks, games, and face painting. The church has asked us to help with this. This is our big fund raiser for mission work so let's let the community see us at work. We

will send out more details soon.

Don't forget we have the Soup Kitchen at St. Paul's on October 3rd. Meet at KirkWood at 9:30 am. We always need help and it is a lot of fun.

Please call or email us with any questions or comments.

Keep the Faith,
Robin Clifford
Kirk and Jamie Reno

Up Coming Events:

11/8- Soup Luncheon


11/15- Shoebox Ministry

12/6- Christmas Party

Congregational Care

Thanks to everyone who came to the Rally Day picnic in September. The attendance, the food, and the weather were all great and we hope you took advantage of the opportunity to sign up at the Worship + 2 table for service at KirkWood. Thanks to all the folks who helped set up and clean up for the picnic.

If you missed the picnic, don't worry because there are plenty more exciting things going on at KirkWood.

 Annual Pumpkin Decorating contest will be held at the Pumpkin Patch Fellowship dinner on Oct. 25. That dinner will be followed by the huge bonfire out front, singing and S'mores! Categories for the pumpkin contest will be similar to last year and will be announced soon.

In November we will have a fellowship supper on November 15th and we will welcome back the Yorktown Chorale singers who will dine with us and serenade us after dinner. So plan to bring extra food for this dinner so we can have plenty for our guests (probably 25 extra people). Also in November, on the Saturday the 21st from 1:00 - 3:00 P.M., we will sponsor an advent wreath workshop so families can make their own wreaths to use during the Christmas season.

In December we look forward to a children's Christmas program on December 13th at 6:30 PM. If there is enough interest, we may also try to do some caroling in the local community during December.

We trust you are taking advantage of all the various opportunities at KirkWood for worship, study, and fellowship. There are many throughout each week and month, so watch the Kronicle calendar, the weekly church bulletin, and the KirkWood website. We solicit your help on the Congregational Care Committee as we sponsor many of these activities and make them happen. Additionally, we need your help in our work to visit our sick and homebound members and friends. Help is also needed to provide meals occasionally. Please call Susie Egyud or Bill Gilbert if you want more information or want to join our team.



←The Cooks

Still waiting for food→

Still cooking↓



Congregational Care



2009 - 2010
Some Folks Feel the Rain
Others Just Get Wet

October 23

Lesson 1

Can You Feel the Strength to
Keep on Believing When It's
Hard? - John 20:24-29

Food: Dick LaBarre

November 20

Lesson 2

Can You Feel the Zest of
Life? - 2 Corinthians 4:7-12

Food:

December 18

Lesson 3

Can You Feel the Power of
Commitment? - 1 Kings
18:20-22

Food:

January 29

Lesson 4

Can You Feel the Joy of
Freedom? - Matthew 25:14-18

Food:



MARTHA CIRCLE: Are you, like Martha, so busy with life's tasks that you're missing the opportunity to develop your relationship with the Lord? Take the time with the ladies of the Martha Circle as we begin another study from the Women of Faith series, *Discovering God's Will for Your Life*. Join us for spiritual growth, sharing, fellowship, and light refreshments at 7 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of each month at KirkWood.



SARAH CIRCLE: As a reminder to our "regulars" and an invitation to newcomers, Sarah Circle will meet on Tuesday, October 13th, at 10:00 am, in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Michael has graciously agreed to be our lesson leader for Lesson Two in our book as we continue to study the *Book of Joshua*. Those who'd like to extend the fellowship will go out to lunch together following the meeting.



On Saturday, October 24th, the Eating Out Group will be going to the River's Inn restaurant located at 8109 Yacht Haven Drive, Gloucester Point at 6:00PM. If you would like to attend please RSVP by October 21 to Faye Shaw 868-4290 or e-mail afshaw921@aol.com.



KIRKWOOD SILVER is "staying home" in October, i.e., meeting at the church for a **Soup and Salad luncheon** on the third Thursday, **October 15th, at 11:30 am**. For our "program," we plan to have a **slide show** of pictures KW Silver members have taken on several of our outings: Mariner's Museum, Norfolk Botanical Gardens, and the Tangier Island trip. If you have pictures to share, e-mail your ten best pics to Christine Lyttle at ionamull@cox.net. Christine and Bill Gilbert will collaborate on putting together the slide show. Fun! KirkWood Silver is open to all KirkWood Seniors and their friends. We'll welcome first-timers with open arms! Watch the bulletin for more information, and look for a sign-up for October's get-together beginning September 27th.

Congregational Care

Discipleship Groups

EMPOWERING OTHERS – NOW THAT'S FRIGHTENING!

The 5 Smooth Stones (8 of us) are just getting started. We began September 17th with a 4-week study by Bill Hybels, called "Just Walk Across the Room." We'll pass it on to other groups as soon as we finish. You'll love it. Want to join a group? Choose ours. We meet 12 minutes from the church in Newport News (Wendwood) every Thursday from 7:15 to 8:45 pm. A good time to join us would be when we begin a new study on October 15th. We are considering an 8-week study titled "Hope: Your Heart's Deepest Longings" by Jack Kuhatschek. This will take us through a variety of verses in both the old and new testaments. We also gather for fun dinner parties and work on ministry tasks periodically. Call Gina or Brian Williams at 249-9327 or Tracy Louk if interested.

If you've been considering joining a small discipleship group, we'd love to have you in our "**Stepping Stones to Christ**" Group. You're just in time to get in on the first lesson, September 24th. Our study book is: *Yes, Lord, I have Sinned But I Have Several Excellent Excuses*. This twelve-lesson text will be provided for you free, courtesy of the Men's Fellowship Breakfast Group. A simple, concise format will be led by Scott Coverdale, Dick and Doreen Knowles.

This is a study that is practical, biblically-based, not "homework-heavy" and totally relevant to daily living. We offer light refreshments and meet in the Knowles' home, 303 Woodroof Road, every Thursday at 7:00pm, with closing prayer at 8:30. Our group is built on Bible study, prayer, mutual support, and outreach ministry. Give us a try---it could become habit forming!

An Invitation from **Friday Night Lights**: We have just begun our group this past Friday. We are studying I John, and have extra copies of the 11-week lesson for those who desire to join us. We start with announcements, then do an ice breaker, the lesson, and end with prayer. It's a fun way to spend your Friday nights from 7:15 - 8:45. The house is located in Hampton, near AMC 24, in Michael's Woods. You could still catch a late movie if you want to after we are finished. We have people who have said they are interested in coming; if you are one of these (or are one who hasn't said anything), please do not hesitate to contact us. We would love to have you join us. Please call Jim and April Mershon if you have any questions (896-1907).

Mission News



Raise the Roof--Our sister church, Mikondo, has been feeding 160 children a day in a building with no roof, windows or doors. As our Mission of the Month in September and October, the Mission Committee is asking for monetary donations to help finish the feeding center and continue this important mission. We appreciate the contributions already given but need more to finish the roof. A contribution of \$25 helps reach the goal. Please place your donation in the offering plate, pick a "roof tile" and attach it to the poster in the hallway. Please write "Mikondo Roof" on the memo line of your check. Any questions, call Sue Worthington, 865-4733.

Mission News

MENCHVILLE HOUSE BENEFIT CONCERT: On Saturday, October 17th at 7:00 p.m., KirkWood will be hosting a benefit concert for the Menchville House. PLEASE SAVE THE DATE. This is not only for a good cause (and a ministry that KirkWood supports), but it will also be a lot of fun. So far, some highlights in the line up are the KirkWood Praise Team, the KirkWood Adult Choir, the KirkWood Boys, some great solos and even a quartet! This is a community event, so feel free to reach out and bring neighbors and friends. A love offering will be taken at the concert. Thank you for your support.



STILL LOOKING FOR your "plus 2"? Why not prayerfully consider joining the Mission Committee? Missions are an important part in the life of the church. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. If you would like further details or have questions, please contact Chris Wood 722-3475.

Operation Christmas Child- Shoe Box Ministry-November 15, 2009

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Get ready...it's coming! Once again we are quickly closing in on the end of the year. Despite a less than wonderful economy, we at KirkWood have been blessed and faired pretty well. We want to share all our blessings with less fortunate children around the world. For these children, the shoeboxes are their only Christmas joy. Information will soon be posted for Operation Christmas Child, but it's never too early to start gathering goodies for your shoeboxes. Pack a shoebox for a boy or girl (or both) with toys, school supplies, toiletries, etc. The Shoebox dedication will be mid-November. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Wood 722-3475 or Sue Worthington 865-4733.



How to Pack a Shoe Box

1. Use an empty shoe box (standard size please) or a small plastic container.
2. Boy or Girl? Determine whether your gift will be for a boy or girl and the child's age: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. Use appropriate label boy/girl and mark the correct age on the label and then tape the label to the top of your box.
3. Fill the box with a variety of gifts appropriate for the age and gender you and your family have chosen. List of gift ideas are as follows: Toys such as small cars, dolls, yo-yo's, jump rope, etc.; School supplies such as pens, paper, crayons and markers, solar calculator, etc.; Hygiene items such as toothbrushes, mild bar of soap (in a plastic bag) comb, washcloth, etc.; Other items such as hard candy and lollipops (please double bag candy), T-shirts, socks, hairclips, sunglasses, and flashlights with extra batteries.
4. Please include a donation of \$7.00 to handle shipping costs for each box you prepare.

Dedication Sunday for **Operation Christmas Child-Shoe Box Ministry** on November 15, 2009. Place a rubber band around each closed shoe box and bring to church on Sunday, November 15, 2009

Upcoming:

Unload Pumpkins - October 2nd

Food Pantry - October 4th

H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People Eat) - October 11th

Menchville House Benefit Concert - October 17th

St. Paul's Weekend Ministry - November 21st

P.O.R.T (People Offering Resources Together) - Week of December 9-16



Finally FOOD!!!



**KirkWood Presbyterian
Church**

*A Christian Community Knowing,
Loving, and Serving Christ, to make
Him known to all.*

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Worship: 8:30 AM (Contemporary)
11:00 AM (Traditional)

Sunday School: 9:40 AM (infant - adult)

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Story with a Moral: One Sunday morning an old cowboy entered a church just before services were to begin. Although the old man and his clothes were spotlessly clean, he wore jeans, a denim shirt and boots that were very worn and ragged. In his hand he carried a worn out old hat and an equally worn out Bible. The church he entered was in a very upscale and exclusive part of the city. It was the largest and the most beautiful church the old cowboy had ever seen. The people of the congregation were all dressed with expensive clothes and accessories. As the cowboy took a seat, the others moved away from him. No one greeted, spoke to, or welcomed him. They were all appalled at his appearance and did not attempt to hide it. The preacher gave a long sermon about Hellfire and brimstone and a stern lecture on how much money the church needed to do God's work. As the old cowboy was leaving the church, the preacher approached him and asked the cowboy to do him a favor. "Before you come back in here again have a talk with God and ask him what He thinks would be appropriate attire for worship." The cowboy assured the preacher he would. The next Sunday, he showed up for the services wearing the same ragged jeans, shirt, boots, and hat. Once again he was completely shunned and ignored. The preacher approached the man and said, "I thought I asked you to speak to God before you came back to our church." "I did," replied the old cowboy. "If you spoke to God, what did he tell you the proper attire should be for worshipping in here?" asked the preacher. "Well sir, God told me that He didn't have a clue what I should wear. He's never been in this

Special dates in October

- October 3 - 31, 2009 - Pumpkin Patch is open
- October 4, 2009 - World Communion Sunday
- October 12, 2009 - Columbus Day Observance
- October 25, 2009 - Reformation Sunday
- October 31, 2009 - Reformation Day

See our calendar on Page 4 for Special dates at KirkWood.