





Alfred Beaver had shoulder surgery Thursday. Dale Naden is still suffering with kidney stones. If all goes well, Steve Adam's stem cell transplant is scheduled for January 3. Gerald Crawford, Cheryl Marion's dad, had heart surgery Wednesday. Pray for our homebound, our widows and live-alones, those on our sick list and for all our brothers and sisters.

### Thank You

I want to thank everyone who helped with the meal we prepared for the teens for Sunday Night Live ... anyone who made cookies, helped prepare the food, helped serve the food, and helped clean up. It was greatly appreciated and the evening was a success. Thank you so much, love & thanks to all. Cheryl Marion

### Ornament Exchange



All ladies of the congregation are invited to our annual Christmas Ornament Exchange on Tuesday, December 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Room. Bring a wrapped Christmas ornament (under \$10) to exchange and a finger food to share. We will have an evening full of fun, laughs, and fellowship. If you have any questions about the ornament exchange, call Shawna Whorton at 479-721-5094.



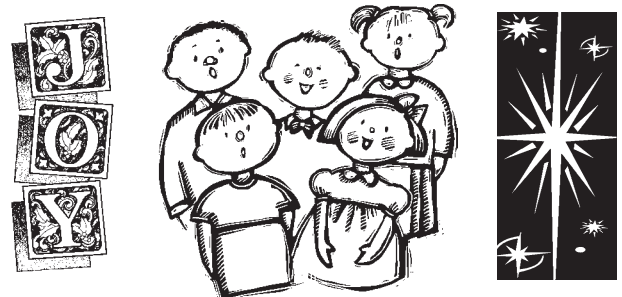
- Charles Bock
- Curtis Cullen
- Dustin Elder
- Eric Feldman
- Charlie Litchfield
- Travis Taylor
- Jason Wargo
- Joe White

### Holiday Food Baskets



The Junior and Senior Youth Groups are working together this year to bless several families with food baskets for the holiday season. We will be accepting donations of food and money in order to help put these baskets together. If you know of a family in need in our area, please see Tye or Jon

Reagan. Baskets will be put together on December 14th, so all donations need to be made before then. A list of food items is display soon in the food corral at the east end of the family room.



### Children's Christmas Program

Please come and join us after Sunday evening service on December 18th at approximately 6:30 pm while the children of Rocketdyne Road sing for you. They are looking forward to singing several Christmas songs and songs from their lessons they have been working on. Please join us for singing, along with a special book reading, and of course, we will have cookies and hot chocolate afterwards.

### Food Basket Brigade

We have been asked to help with the Food Basket Brigade again this year. Help is needed at the old Scholastic building on Harmony Street on Saturday, December 10, from 9 am til noon to sort food. On Saturday, December 17, from 6:30 am til 2 pm help is needed with distribution of the baskets.

Character Trait For December

## CARING

Being supportive and responding to the needs of others with kindness and compassion.

## Stand Up; I too Am a Man

Sharing Jesus with others can be an awkward and even scary task at times. Sometimes I wonder if I'm going to say the right things, if I'm saying what God wants me to say. I also wonder if I'm getting the message through to others when I'm talking to them about Jesus. So much is going on at one time that it can really cause a person to get nervous.

Peter has an interesting experience in Acts 10 that is incredibly similar. He goes to the house of a Roman named Cornelius, and is confronted with Cornelius getting on his knees to worship him. Awkward! But I love Peter's response, "Stand up; I too am a man (Acts 10:26)." Rather than getting into a theological debate about the ungodliness and ignorance of Cornelius' action, Peter begins talking with him as equals and announces his own awkwardness of being at a Gentile's house and to see why he was sent for.

Too often we fail to build spiritual friendships with others when we are sharing Jesus with others. We tend to fall to either feeling like we are superior over those we are talking to (and they sense this too) or being so intimidated by them that we just don't share the message for fear of being ridiculed or losing our place in society. We fail to realize the simple truth of God's will, for the Gospel to be spread by humans to humans. Our task is to merely share the truth about Jesus to others in a loving way, as friends.

Our sermon today will help us to realize that and accept that we are merely humans sharing Jesus. Evangelism is a learning process, not a job for professionals. And the cool part is the Spirit helps us!!! Tye



The teens will be raking leaves again this winter to raise money for Relay-For-Life. They work on Sunday afternoons when the weather is decent. See Tye or Logan Stark if you would like to have your leaves raked and provide a donation.

# JUST 4 YOUTH!

**SNT** - 7-9 tonight - We are going to a Joplin Starbucks tonight for a devo - bring money for a drink if you want one.

**NHS Christmas Concert** - Monday, Dec. 5, 6:30 pm  
Neosho High School - we have several teens performing in different areas of the concert!

**Leaf Raking** - We are going to rake leaves today after lunch at 1 pm. Everyone who wants to help is invited to meet at the building at that time.



## GOD IS MOVING AMONG OUR CHILDREN!

We had a total of 27 children this week! Thank you Auntie Ren and Aunt Laura for a great lesson on David and Saul. No matter what, you can always count on the ROCK - our GOD - our protector, all of the time!

A big thank you to all the puppeteers and helpers. We appreciate you.

Join us this week. Uncle Tom, Aunt Glenda, Auntie Bee Bee and Auntie Beth will have our lesson.

See you in worship!  
Mi Mi Lu and Pa Pa H

Always remember  
**JESUS LOVES YOU!!!!**  
We do too.

*Workers for next week:*  
*Security - Jason Stipp;*  
*Teachers - Renee` Lewis & Laura Stipp;*  
*Helpers - Eric Lazure, Annie Lazure,*  
*Jana Swaffar, Nathan Lewis, Logan Brock,*  
*Robbie Jenkins, Seth Greer, Carolyn Ryan*

**Assignments**  
**Sunday, December 4, 2011**

**Morning Worship**

Prayer .....Tim Ryan  
 Shepherd's Prayer ....Clyde Hopper

**Lord's Table**

**Prayers:** Clarence Garman

**East Side**

Jerry Dorris  
 Bryce Beeson  
 Rod Whorton  
 Tyler Slawter

**West Side**

Buzz Ball  
 Mark Embrey  
 Darrell Markley  
 Daniel Witcher

**Next Sunday**

Prayer .....Steve Jones  
 Table Prayers .....Jeff Denefrio  
 Shepherd's Prayer ..David Hutchings

**Lord's Table For Next Sunday**

Cory Bass	Richard Elder
Joseph Kent	Taylor Hendrick
Saran Powviriya	Jon Reagan, Sr.
Ron Lankford	Andrew Jones

**Wednesday, December 7**

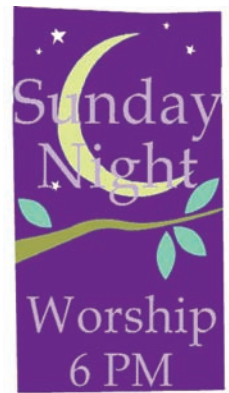
Song Leader...Jimmie Douglass  
 Prayer.....Myron Lessman



**Singing Practice  
 Tonight At 5:30**

with  
**Jimmie Douglass**  
**Matt Engels**  
 and  
**Wade Williams**

**Join Us For**



**Our Elders**

Kenneth Cope  
 Jerry Davis  
 Clyde Hopper  
 David Hutchings  
 Ben Lane  
 Earl Reynolds  
 Jack Stafford  
 Ray Stipp

**Our Ministers**

Denny Kruse  
 592-3419  
 Tye Zola  
 658-9000

**Our Deacons**

Randy Bass  
 Jonathan Davis  
 Myron Lessman  
 Brian Lewis  
 Brent Marion  
 Kael Powers  
 Pete Ramon  
 Jon Reagan  
 Rod Whorton  
 Rick Wolfe  
 Alan Woodward



**December 11**  
 Team 2



**Fair Haven**

Chili Powder

<p><b>December 4</b>                  Sue Hughes, Leslie Roark</p> <p><b>December 11</b>                  Elayne Adams, Shirley Anderson</p>	
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**FAMILY GATHERINGS**

**Sunday Morning Bible Study .....9:30**  
**Sunday Morning Worship .....10:30**  
**Sunday Evening Singing Practice .....5:30**  
**Sunday Evening Worship .....6:00**  
**Wednesday Evening Bible Study .....7:00**

**Our Purpose**

**To praise and glorify God**  
**To spread the gospel of Jesus Christ**  
**To show our love by serving each other**  
**and the world**