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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

"Loving God...Loving Others..."

Daylight Savings Time ends
Nov. 2nd. Remember to
turn your clocks back!



We would like to invite the church family to attend our wedding ceremony and reception, Sat. November 22 at 11:00am in the sanctuary. If you plan to attend the lunch reception held in the Bridge, please RSVP- @www.theknot.com/ourwedding/RacheleHustedt&BrianKyles or call us: (479) 427-9341. We look forward to celebrating with you! **Brian and Rachelle**

Dates To Remember

- 11/7—Family Fun Night 6:30-8:30pm
- 11/9—Ministry Team Leaders' Meeting 2:00pm
- 11/14—30 Hour Famine
- 11/15—Men's Breakfast 8:00am
- 11/22—Hustedt/Kyles Wedding 11:00am
- 11/23—Harvest of Praise! 9:45am Bible Classes
11:10am Worship with Meal following

Family Fun Night!

Friday, Nov. 7th
6:30-8:30pm. Taco's will be served & please bring sides, chips and/or dessert to share.

Ministry Team

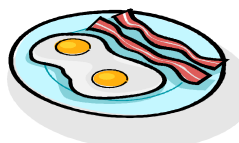
Leaders' Meeting
Sunday, Nov. 9th @ 2pm
**Meet in the Bridge!*

October 2008

Attendance	General Fund
10/5 - 281	\$8,063.54
10/12 - 249	\$8,399.30
10/19 - 272	\$8,960.41
10/26 - 269	\$3,339.75
Avg. 268	Avg. \$7,190.75
Weekly Need \$8,875	
"FOR HIS GLORY"	
YTD - \$243,033	

Men's Breakfast!

Nov. 15th @ 8am
Fellowship Hall



Ministry Staff

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The Connection Point

November 2008

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HARVEST OF PRAISE!

November 23rd
9:45am Bible Classes
11:10am Worship (In the Bridge)

A buffet style lunch will follow the service. Please bring a favorite side-dish or salad & a dessert to share.

The following is a letter sent to Bob King from Villalon Domingo, a pastor of one of the churches we help support with our Missions Outreach in the Philippines.

Hi Brother Bob,

It is with great joy once again to greet you in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ and Savior.

After the ACCMA meeting on October 14th, the following day, I accompanied brother Martin Tredanio going to Vigan City for his left eye surgical treatment. After consultation to doctor Vermudez Clinic, Martin was admitted to Metro Vigan Cooperative Hospital at 10:30am. They observed his health and blood pressure for 7 hours and applied drop medicine to his left eye before the scheduled surgery at 6 pm. Then after 2 hours, praise the Lord, the surgery was successful and MT can see right now.

October 22nd will be the next schedule for Martin's right eye surgical treatment. I will send the pictures of his eye surgery by mail. Brother Martin express his gratitude to all the RCC members and the Abra Mission Team, for the love, concern and financial help you extended to him for his eye surgery. "To God be the Glory". God bless.

In His Service,
Villalon Domingo

Dear Church,

For me newsletter articles are at times difficult. Trying to write something that is worth the effort of my time in writing it and your time in reading it is important to me. Sometimes I finish the article feeling good about the offering, the thoughts flow with direction and purpose, sometimes I finish feeling...well...

Then every once in awhile I have so many thoughts that I wish to share, that I struggle to decide upon which one I will address. This is one of those moments. So I've decided to share them all. Here we go!

1. The Adult Bible Classes have gotten off to a wonderful beginning. A thank you goes out to all our teachers! Also to all those who were involved in the remodel effort. It looks great!
2. The traditional worship service offered during the 1st service has been warmly received. Thank you to those who have to put in the extra effort to make this worship offering a positive experience for those who participate and most importantly a blessing to our God.
3. A lesson I have learned over the years is that if a church is going to be warm and friendly, then it must proactively determine that it will be warm and friendly. Here is where I am going with this, I have observed over the last several weeks, that during our welcome time in service, guests are often left standing, while our people go to one another. I challenge you to look around, and when you notice someone standing still while everyone else is visiting, then more often than not, they are guests. Go and say hello...now I know sometimes that person may in fact be one of our shy folks but that's okay. If we are going to err, let's do so because we are reaching out in the name of Christ.
4. I encourage you to continue growing in Christ through worship, learning and serving. It's what our Lord wants you to do.
5. We finished the Life on Loan series. Please continue to ask God daily to bring people into your life that you can build bridges with and as a result, be Jesus too. We may have finished the series, but this concept is to be established, built upon and grow in our lives.

Well, these aren't all my thoughts, but it's enough for now.

See You Sunday,
Jack

Perhaps many of you are like me. I think about things. Not as deeply as most of you perhaps but certain topics are ALWAYS on my mind. One of the topics that confuses me the most is worship. An exact and simple definition of worship is always a breath away. Like smoke, it's elusive and right in front of me but I can never capture it and fully understand it.

I was thumbing through the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) when I stumbled upon something that interested me. John 4:21-24 is where Jesus encounters the women at the well—a truly impressive account of a woman who is truly known by the Son of God. And at the end of their conversation she learns that she is talking to the One who her and her people are waiting for—the Messiah. I wish I could have been there to see her face when Jesus said, "I who speak to you am he." (John 4:26) NIV

That's a great scene but not really what I want to talk about. The end of their conversation is what interests me, but a little set up is needed. The woman is taken aback that Jesus, a Jew, would even talk to her, a Samaritan. Jesus offers her living water and she wants some. She understands Jesus to be a prophet when he revealed to her that he knew about her lifestyle. Probably out of embarrassment she quickly changes the subject to a religious controversy between Jews and Samaritans: Location of worship. In response Jesus says that a time is coming when it won't matter where you worship and here is the part that I'm still processing—Jesus says this, "Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth." (John 4:23-24) NIV

I had to stop a minute and let my mind catch up to what I was reading. I've read this account dozens of times but this time those last two sentences jumped off the page at me! There are so many questions swirling around in my head but let's lay these out on the table: How do we worship the Father in spirit and truth? And how do I become the kind of worshiper that is sought out by the Father?

Jesus has just set the worshipers free. In the Old Testament worshipers were bound to a single place of worship (Deut. 12:1-14; 2 Kings 18:22; 2 Chron. 32:12; and Is. 36:7). We are no longer bound to a single place to worship. To worship in spirit and truth is to make it a matter of the heart, the will, the spirit and the emotion. The Message paraphrase of John 4:23-24 explains it beautifully:

"It's who you are and the way you live that count before God. Your worship must engage your spirit in the pursuit of truth. That's the kind of people the Father is out looking for: those who are simply and honestly themselves before him in their worship. God is sheer being itself—Spirit. Those who worship him must do it out of their very being, their spirits, their true selves, in adoration." The Message

Let me ask this question in light of the questions above: Are we too consumed with ourselves and judgmental of others to freely express ourselves during the worship service? God has always desired for His people to be simply and honestly, themselves before Him (Is. 1:10-20; Rom. 2:28-29; and Phil. 3:3). That's a tall order for a people who are experts at masking their true emotions. However, we must remember that the Father searches for that kind of worshiper.

Servin' God and Lovin' It!

Allen

ROGERS CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Children's Ministry



November is one of my favorite months because I get to see people really helping each other in their daily lives. This month I want all of you to remember the things we should be thankful for. I heard a prayer from Zachary Lister the other day where he thanked God for the "air, and snack, and letting us be here." Such simple things to be thankful for, but so important!

This month I have a challenge for all the 2nd graders to 5th Graders!

- Find some way to help someone else in your school, on your bus, at your Wal-Mart, or anywhere else.

- Write about it and email your story to me @ isaac@rogerschristianchurch.org

The one who gets me there story first will get to write about it in next month's Newsletter!

Also, on **Nov. 19th** we will be having a thanksgiving theme at WOW Kids so be prepared to have a ton of fun!



PARENTS: Please be working with your children on our memory verse for this month:

"I will lie down and sleep in peace, for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety."

Psalms 4:8

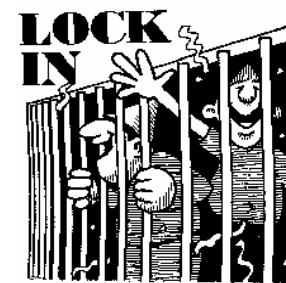
That's something to be thankful for: Safety in God!

Special Needs:

- We are still in need of a full time 4-5th grade Teacher during 2nd Service.
- A helper for the 2nd & 3rd graders every other month
- Two extra adult helpers on Wednesday nights.
- If you can help with these needs and feel led to do so, please call me at 479-426-5897 or email me at isaac@rogerschristianchurch.org. **Thank You!!!**

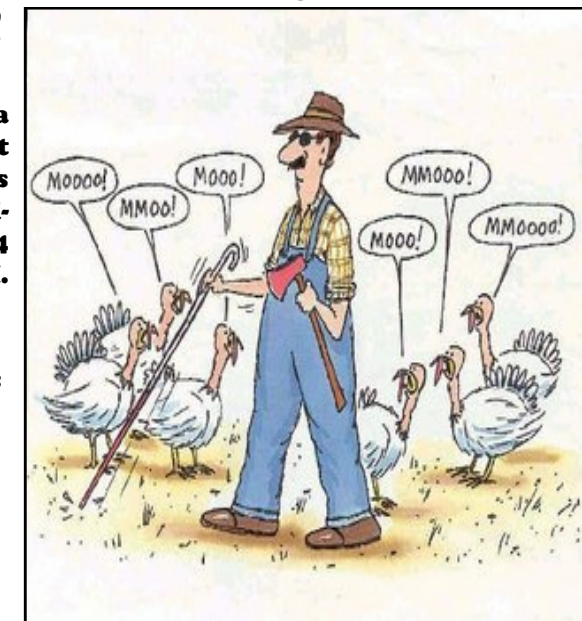
4th-5th Grade Sunday School Lock-in!

December 5th-6th: we are having a Lockin for the 4th-5th graders that come to Sunday School or Children's Church. We will be staying in the fellowship Hall. It starts on the 5th at 4 pm and ends on the 6th at 10:00 AM. We are going to have tons of fun!!!



To sign your child up, please call me at: 479-426-5897

Monthly Comic!



Birthdays!

- TJ Kardynalski
November 30th!

