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Today's Message

"A Child Is Born/A Son Is Given"

Pastor Jeff

Today's Schedule

8:15 Worship I
9:30 Sunday School
10:45 Worship II

Serving Today

Greeters

Worship I: The Duffields

Worship II: Joanne Duncan

Nursery

Worship I: Kathy Twerdok & Tyler Smith

Sunday School: Joan Cole & Kathy Twerdok

Worship II: Joan Cole & Emily Huffman

The Lord's Supper

Worship I: Dawn Cratty

Worship II: The Grooms

Last Week at NSCC

Attendance 213

Offering

General - \$4,798.00
Designated - \$ 508.00
Total \$5,306.00

Building Fund Balance

\$184,939.33

15% of General Offering is
Given to Missions Each Week

Flowers

Our thanks to Jim & Dale
Riemer who donated flowers
in memory their loved ones.

Send A Card

Send a card of encouragement
to Art & Phyllis Weigle, 136
Park Crest Lane, Butler, PA
16001.

*For unto us a Child is
born, unto us a Son is
given; and the govern-
ment will be upon His
shoulder. And His
name will be called
Wonderful, Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting
Father, Prince of
Peace.
Isaiah 9:6*

CHRISTMAS SERMON SERIES ANNOUNCED

And He Shall Be Called . . .

This year's Christmas Sermon Series is taken from Isaiah 9:6 which says, "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulder. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

About Isaiah 9:6 John MacArthur says, "The Christmas story in the Bible begins earlier than you might expect - several hundred years earlier. One Old Testament prophecy after another promised a coming Savior - the Messiah, the Anointed One - who would redeem the people of God. The centerpiece of all the Christmas prophecies, Isaiah 9:6, was written by Isaiah nearly six hundred years before Jesus' birth. Writing under divine inspiration, Isaiah was able to see across the centuries and give us an amazingly accurate picture of the Savior's birth. He promised it would be a miraculous event, unlike any the world had ever known."

Pastor Jeff will preach on the 7th and 14th. The messages are entitled, "A Child Is Born/A Son is Given" and "Wonderful Counselor." Pastor Bob will preach on the 21st and 28th. The messages are entitled, "Mighty God/Everlasting Father" and "Prince of Peace."

There will be one Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 which will include special music. The message that evening will be entitled, "No Other Name." Invite Your Family and Friends to join us for worship the Christmas Season.

On December 7th, 14th, and 21st, we will have Worship at 8:15 and 10:45 with Sunday School at 9:30. On December 28th, we will have Sunday School at 9:00 and Worship at 10:15.

CELEBRATING THE BIRTH OF CHRIST IN THAILAND

"Witnessing For Our Savior's Born"

We will gather in Mae Moo on December 15-19 to cut the bamboo for the stage and seating. We will cut the wood for firewood. Our trucks will be loaded with bamboo and woods back and forth, and transporting instruments, wires, sound system. We will present Life of Christ by LCD.

We build the stage for leading the services, dining table, bamboo seats and temporary restrooms.

We will have Thai Gospel booth so that we can share the Gospel with the Thai officials in the region. We will have an International booth where we will share the Gospel in English for tourists. We will share them Gospel tracts. I told the evangelists to use the Evangelism Cube, that you brought to us.

We have to prepare food for the people for 6 meals. Each village listed below will bring food and offerings:

- Kerdsam sip will bring some rice, offerings, and taro
- Namrim will bring pumpkin, rice, offerings
- Pangpe will bring squash, rice offerings
- Nong tong will bring chillis, rice, offerings
- Nambosape will bring master plants, rice, offerings
- Chiangmai Church of Messiah will bring some offerings.

We will have a few individual offerings. We will have 8 worship services. Each day we will

hold 3 worship services, each service will have speaker, special songs in solo, or group, by Church village - after night service, we have Christian plays, dancing, singing praising God. - on the night of the 25th, the last night, we will first have a program followed by the worship service, a second Christian play, then cultural dancing and most will stay till dawn.

On the morning of the 26th we will have the morning service first and breakfast, and then sing bye bye songs and while standing in circle and shake hands in singing and then last prayers and go home. The title will be "Witnessing for our Savior's Born."

We are also planning to hold Christmas to preach the Gospel in Chiangmai too. That will be December 21. We will be leaving for the Hill Tribe Villages on 15 for preparation and then return home and leave again for the village.

Thanksgiving Report:

Nov 25 we held Thanksgiving in Nong Tong

Nov 26 held Thanksgiving in Kerdsamsip and then I visited Na On preached the Gospel to them

Nov 27 we visited in two families and prayed for them.

After that we held our monthly meeting until 2 pm and I left Kerdsamsip at 3 pm and heading to Chiangmai. Two ladies and one baby came along with us to Chiangmai for medica-

tion. I arrived home at 10 pm and Martha helped me drive them to their relative house. Sometimes they stay with us. In Sorn and Ah si pa went home by their scooter.

I am so happy and so thankful to you as you give me this opportunity to serve the Lord. Thanks to every brother and sister in our North Street Christian Church. Still more non-Christians from the region will be coming to the Christmas and our Christmas is an opportunity to share the Gospel.

We need your help in this Christmas preaching Gospel.

In coming week I will be in Chiangdao in Nong Kiew for Church building and Thanksgiving preaching. To visit Children ministry and building water tank for Children ministry. Then I will visit to Dr. Ted Hope as he is leaving for Australia. He is trying to run a Bible study in Chiangdao.

Thank you very much for your help, love, and prayers. We can carry this ministry by your help. May God bless you.

In His Service,



Barnabas

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN TODAY

Ladies Class: As a Christian woman, you yearn for intimacy with God. You long to know His presence, to be satisfied in heart and soul, but you don't know how. You want to be obedient, but you need a higher motivation than simply choosing to do right. True worship is both a specific act and a lifestyle. As you learn what it means to bow your knee (the/act/of worship), you'll gain a renewed intimacy with God. And as you learn to bow your thoughts, words, attitudes, will, and even pain (the/lifestyle/of worship), you'll be drawn into God's holy and life-giving presence- the place where God will truly satisfy your thirsty soul." This class will meet in room 103, taught by Sherry O'Donnell and Sam Tait

The International Sunday School Lesson Class: Human Commitment is the theme of the lessons for the Winter Quarter. People have varying levels of commitment to all kinds of things. This fact is very useful, because it reveals where a person's heart truly lies. "Are we committed to right things?" is a good question to ask ourselves and each other. In December we will examine, Commitment to the Messiah. Mary, Elisabeth, the Shepherds and John the Baptist will be our examples. In January and February we will consider Old Testament People of Commitment. We'll take a look at people such as the Hebrew midwives in Egypt, Rahab the Harlot, the mother of Samson, Nathan the Prophet and Isaiah when he answered God's call. This class meets in the Dining Room and is taught by Doug Emmett and Pastor Bob Huber.

Christian Parenting - Discipling the children God has entrusted us with is one of our primary duties as Christian parents/adoptive parents/foster parents/step-parents. There are countless models the world offers to raise children. This class will examine God's way. Taught by Pastor Jeff in the Library. Jr. High to be taught in Room 102 and Sr. High at Legacy.

**WHATEVER YOU DO,
DO YOUR WORK FOR THE LORD** *Colossians 3:23*

Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful for all that God provides, and sharing what we have with others. Each preschool class prepared a kid-made Thanksgiving feast. The children had important jobs to do in order to prepare food for this feast. They made homemade applesauce, yummy pumpkin dessert, mashed potatoes, corn bread, snapped beans and butter. It was also a special time for the kids to share the efforts of their work; their delicious food, with their parents, grandparents, aunts, and even a great grandmother!



Sydney's Grandma Ginny helps out too!



Dessert Makers— Alexandra & Lyeric



Christopher loving extra time with his Mommy

LAST DAY TO ORDER POINSETTIAS

If you would like to order poinsettias to beautify our Church during Christmas services and for you to take home to beautify your homes or to bless a friend or shut-in, order forms are in the narthex and Welcome Center. Please complete the form and place it in the offering TODAY.

TEACHING AUTISTIC CHILDREN

Tomorrow, Monday December 8, will be a training to teach autistic children. This is geared toward the preschool, but any teacher or parent who is interested can come. The training is 12:30-3:30 at Legacy.

GIFT WRAPPERS NEEDED

Gift wrappers are needed for Habitat for Humanity at Clearview Mall. Some time slots are still open. If you are interested in filling one of the slots, or need more information, please call Kiersten Petsinger at 724-283-1077.

BUTLER BIBLE INSTITUTE COURSES

2009 Winter Semester



Butler Bible Institute announces that three courses are on the schedule for the Winter Semester 2009.

Starting on Tuesday January 6 from Noon to 2PM is "Angelology" led by Teacher Bob Ogden and by Instructor's Assistant Alan Free. It will study the different classifications of angels as well as Spiritual Warfare. The course will run for 7 meetings on Tuesdays to Feb 17th. The cost will be \$25.

Starting Monday January 12 from 12:30PM to 2:30PM will be "Biblical Counseling" led by Teacher and Pastor Jeff Miller. It will study how best to counsel a person Biblically. This course will be offered on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Mondays of Jan. and Feb. Plus the 2nd Monday in March. The cost will be \$35.

Starting Thursday January 8th from 6PM to 8PM will be "Biblical Apologetics" This course will run for 7 consecutive Thursdays to Feb. 19th. It will study defending the Truth of the Bible. It will be led by Teacher Bob Ogden. The cost will be \$25.

Each of the 3 above courses earn 1 BBI Semester Unit if completed satisfactorily.



COOKIES NEEDED

The annual Christmas party for the Prison Ministry is tentatively planned for December 19th. Anyone wishing to donate cookies for the party can bring them to the Church anytime prior to that date.

Thank You

A big thank you to all who helped decorate the church for Christmas. We especially want to thank Kim Gaiser, Ginny Mangel, Hunter Neff, Michelle Convery, Ashley Tack, Jesse McIntyre, Mandy Saeler, and Doug Rodgers.

DECEMBER 7TH—DECEMBER 13TH

<u>Sun</u>	8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Worship I Sunday School
<u>Mon</u>	12:30-3:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Autism Training at Legacy Worship Rehearsal
<u>Wed</u>	6:30 p.m.	Pioneer Club/YBICS/Legacy
<u>Thur</u>	6:00-8:00 p.m.	BBI
<u>Sat</u>	8:00—11:00 a.m.	Truth Project Training