



DECEMBER 24, 2017

2017 Theme: "Making Disciples"

December: Devoted to...

Our Mission: "As we Go Teach & Preach to Great Number of People"

Acts 8:4

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Georgia Sheriff's Youth Home Gifts

A couple of months ago, the Activity CARE group wanted to do something for someone else as a CARE group. We settled on the Georgia Sheriff's Youth Home (7 Boys in Chatsworth and 11 Girls in Whitfield County). All the CARE groups contributed to make a total \$945. I was invited to their Christmas party last Tuesday night at the Girls Campus of the Youth Homes. The facility is very nice. They have a chapel, a gym, & group homes for the kids and house-parents, on a several acre spread of rolling hills. The kids, boys and girls, were so friendly and respectful...it was amazing to be in their presence. During the evening of the Christmas party, there was a "Night Before Christmas" skit and singing performed by the children. They all participated with enthusiasm. It was great. Then "Santa" came in at the last of the program, he, of course, gave out presents to the kids...and they all were very excited and thankful and appreciative of the gifts.

From Central, each of the 18 kids got a \$50 gift card to Wal-Mart to go among the other presents that "Santa" (other local sponsors) brought to them. I gave out our gift cards, and I made it clear that these cards are from the Central church of Christ, in Dalton. Several of the kids hugged me and all of them expressed their thankfulness. It was sweet. Jordan Shaffer, who briefly attended Central (Joshua & Shay have continued to mentor) before going to the boy's home, was there going around greeting visitors at the party, invited me to sit with him. Jordan is really blossoming there. Praise the Lord! Since the party, there was an additional \$45 given that will also be applied to needs at the Kids home. Thank you, Central family, for your generous gifts to help others. You helped make it a Merry Christmas for these kids.

Shut-in Gifts

Your generosity is clear again. Our Adult Bible Classes collected \$575 for our Central shut-in folks. They received gift cards and stockings filled with goodies...from you. Our Ladies Class put the Stockings together and delivered them. Thank you!

Sing, Eat, Laugh

Please sign up in the Lobby for the Singing, covered dish dinner and talent show for New Years' Eve in our Fellowship Hall. Ringgold and Calhoun congregations will be joining us; they will also bring covered dishes. We'll sing at 6 pm, eat at 6:30 p.m. and the Talent show to follow. If you would like to be in the Talent show, see Ross. Plan on 2 hours for the entire night. See you then.

-Ross Jordan



5th SUNDAY SINGING 6 pm

NEW YEAR'S EVE TALENT SHOW

After the singing, and eating, we will have a Talent Show! If you would like to participate, please call or email **Ross Jordan** to have your skit/talent added to the list. His cell# 706-271-8373 and email: rossjordan@ccodalton.org. It's going to be a fun night!

The Children & Grand Children Of Lynn & Deanna Warnack invite you to celebrate their 50th Anniversary.

*Central Church of Christ Fellowship Hall
December 31st, 2017
1pm-3pm*

No gifts please. Just cards and well-wishes. Light refreshments will be served.

COLLEGE CLASS MEETS IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM EVERY SUNDAY



MORNING WORSHIP ASSEMBLY

9:30 a.m. Service
December 24, 2017

“TEACHABLE MOMENTS Jesus- Savior and Immanuel”
Matthew 1:18-23

Welcome & Call to Worship: Ross Jordan

Song #489 O Come, O Come Emmanuel (v. 1-4)–Albert Coley
Prayer: Lyndon Holloway

Song #482 O Listen to Our Wondrous Story (v.1-3) – Ross Jordan

Song #876 Jesus, Name above All Names – Albert Coley

Communion & Contribution Prayers- Marty Laird

Communion & Contribution Leaders

Gary Duke Eddie Sane
Ron Gowan Greg Smith
Bobby King Ray Shepherd
Clint Russell Jim Cook

Song #874- Jesus Is Lord (v.1-3)–Ross Jordan
No Wee Worship Today

Scripture Reading – Robert Howey

Sermon – Steve Griggs

Song #90 Christ We Do All Adore Thee– Albert Coley

Sermon – Steve Griggs

Invitation Song #722 –We Have Heard the Joyful Sound (v. 1, 3 & 4) –Ross Jordan

Shepherds’ Moment, Closing Prayer – John Hayes

December Count on Sundays: Chris Smith & Richard Milburn

Wednesday Night Count: Justin Shepherd

Nursery Attendants: Sylvia Sane & Kay Sane

Breakfast with Santa Follow-Up

A simple statement about a breakfast with Santa in Abilene, TX led to what many of you witnessed last Saturday. From Oct. 27th to Dec. 16th, God was helping us plan for a special “Central Outreach Event”. After hearing the words, “great idea” from Steve and receiving support from our shepherds, plans began in earnest.

Steve mentioned the breakfast with Santa idea at our CARE Group meeting on Nov., 5th and it was not only well received, but people began volunteering right then. When meeting with Steve on Wed., Nov. 29th, there were still a lot of unknowns. Everything began to come together at our Dec. 3rd CARE Group meeting and everyone was excited about opening up our building to the community.

On Friday, Dec. 15th, I met with Steve to finalize everything. As Steve and I moved stuff from his office to the foyer, I got my first look at the huge banner that Bob Miller had designed and Josh had hung from the ceiling. As we moved down the hall, 2 more banners caught my eye, and I thought to myself—this is really going to happen! Then after seeing the beautifully decorated Christmas tree, there was no doubt.

In Chapter 4 of I Peter, we are reminded to love each other, offer hospitality to one another (without grumbling), and serve others so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. Did you see all these things displayed last Saturday morning? It was pure joy seeing the children interacting with Santa, singing carols, carrying their ornaments, and showing off their painted faces.

Steve was asked by several of our visitors, “why did you do all this?” What would have been your response to this question? May God bless each of you, our church family, and each precious soul that took the time to visit.

Merry Christmas! Kelly Cherry

Men & Boy’s Christmas Tool Party!

Re-Scheduled for Friday,
December 29th @ 6:00 p.m.



This party is for all men & boys! Please invite friends too! Please bring a wrapped used or new tool to swap. We will have a free meal in the fellowship hall! Please sign-up in the lobby if you plan to attend.

Wednesday Night Devotional, December 27th

We will have an all church devotional in the fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m. After the devotional, we will sign cards and write notes to the families who attended the Breakfast with Santa. See you next Wednesday night.



TIMES & ATTENDANCE

Week of December 19, 2017

Table with 2 columns: Activity and Attendance/Amount. Rows include Sunday Worship (250), Sunday Bible Class (206), Wednesday 6:30 p.m. (n/c), Hispanic Congregation (18), Sunday worship (18), Sunday 10:10 a.m. Bible Class (n/c), Wednesday Adult Class (n/c), Budget (\$9,200.00), and Contribution last week (\$17,416.25).

HOSPITAL/SURGERIES: Mark Foshee-Kindred Hospital-Chattanooga

RECOVERING/HOME/SHUT-IN/ON-GOING ILLNESS:

Yvonne Abernathy, John Allen, Brecklyn Allgood, Rickey Allmon, Bob Anderson, Minnie Anderson, Sherry Bales, Julie Barton, Charles & Peggy Bennett, Cindy Bigelow, Shay Bingham, Allen Bishop, Denny, Bramlett, Inez Bramlett, Robert & Betty Brock, Glenn Bromlett, Beau Brown, Jack & Elizabeth Brown, Sandi Brown, Thomas Brown, Linda Bunch, Valor Burnett, Carman Carrillo, Nelda Carr, Jeff Chadwick, Charlotte Chaney, Lester Chastain, Gina Christiansen, Scott Cleland, Barbara Cloer, Bill & Rebecca Cofer, Albert Coley, Linda Coley, Sherry Coley, Evan Connelly, Gabbi Cook, Bill & Glenda Cornutt, Jim Dalzell, Allie Daniel, Steve Daniel, Titus Davenport, Vanessa Decker, Marie Dollar, Kent Dotson, Jimmy Duke, Terry Ensley, Lisa Evans, Joan Foshee, Mark Foshee, Kristin Gaines, James Gantt, Judson Gay, Sonny Gay, Donnie Gilliam, Jennifer Glines, Eb er Gowan, Katherine Green, Jane Griffen, Charlotte Griggs, Jon Griggs, Cora Hackney, Ed & Pat Hall, Lauren Hall, Richard Hall, Debbie Hall, Rhonda Hill, Burt Hinton, Judy Hoffpauir, Bruce Holloway, Benny & Kathy Holloway, Anna Houston, Jean Hughes, Seaver Hudson, Lida Hunt, Linda Ivey, Adam Jackson, Barbara Jackson, Dennis Jackson, Robert Jarrard, Bill Johnson, Paul Johnston, Christa Jones, Dale Jones, Ed Jones, Lanie Jones, Barbara Judd, Bob King, Diane Kinsey, Bob Kroll, Harold Land, Cindy Langford, Debbie Lanning, Anne Lee, Carly Lewis, Hannah Locke, Susan Kouassi, Sandra Lowe, Judy Malone,, Delpha Mason, Brenda Mathis, Renee Mathis, Helen McIntosh, Mike Mays, Betty Melson, Bob Miller, Esme Miller, Doug & Sue Mitchell, David Morris, Melinda Mosteller, Josh Mullins, Virgie Mullinax, Juanita Newman, Edra Nix, Belinda Pack, Sandra Parker, Tina Parker, David Patterson, Rachel Patterson, Greg Pellom, Willa Mae Phillips, Carolyn Powell, Nestor Pozo, Keila Pozo, Nestor Pozo, Yuly Pozo, Virgil & Kathryn Pressnell, James Reece, Yahir Reyes, Bobby Rivers, Yolanda Rodriquez, Gladys Rogers, Layfield Rous, Bill Russell, Lamar Sane, Kara Scott, Duane Scott, Brenda Shepherd, Connie Shepherd, Hazel Shepherd, Martha Shepherd, Ray Shepherd, Adrianna Shireman, Charlotte Silvers, Ray Sinnamon, Wanda Slinger, Brandi Smith, Brinkley Smith, Jerry Smith, Nancy Stamey, Kevin Stanley, Colleen Stevens, Zane Steward, Tommy & Jimmie Stroud, Jim Stuman, Charlie Swanson, Will Teague, Joan Teems, Cayden Tennant, Bill Threet, Reatha, Martin & Jeff Tilley, Sam Vandergriff, Wayne Warnack, Cheryl Welch, Chris Williams, Teresa Williams, Steve & Barbara Wilson Cathy Woods, David Wright, Corey Yarbrough, Keith & Sheila Yarbrough,