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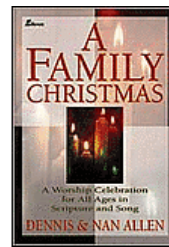
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This Sunday, Dec. 14 – 11:00 AM

The Adult Choir & dramatists present...

A Family Christmas

a worship celebration for all ages

... you can sing along, too.

Bring family, neighbors, and friends



Ninety lovely poinsettias are in church in honor and memory of loved ones and friends. (Poinsettia donors may take their plants home after worship on Dec. 21) Special thanks to **Kathy & Clyde Goode** for supplying these lovely poinsettias.



Spraker-Snow Open House

this Saturday, Dec. 13, 3:00 – 8:00 PM

3010 Mount Hermon Road

Everyone invited!



Holiday Dinner 2008!

Big thanks to the Hospitality team - they did a great job arranging this year's dinner. About **175** people enjoyed the wonderful food and good holiday fun!



Thanks to everyone who provided supplies and funds for the **Children's Mission Project!** The children created **18** kits last Saturday to send to needy families in Honduras.

Happy Birthday this Week!

Dec 14 Roger Adkins Dec 15 David Goode Dec 17 Annette Critelli
Dec 14 Debbie Heath Dec 15 Roger Mann Dec 17 Hazel Williams
Dec 15 John Callahan Dec 15 Waverly Winn Dec 17 Miranda Hall

Special service – Sunday, Dec. 21

Worship will be led by MHBC youth

Don't miss it!

Theme: **Christmas... God Gets Real!**



Go Caroling – Sunday, Dec. 21 – 5:00 PM

Meet at church to travel to some MHBC members' homes, then come to the Thompsons' house, 4241 Hunters Ridge Drive, for food and fellowship. Everyone invited!



Christmas Eve Service

December 24 – 8:PM

Always special at Mount Hermon Baptist Church

Sundays

Children's Church

Dec. 14 - Marci Nichol, Lindsey Mann, Darian Spivey

Nursery Care

Dec. 14 - helpers needed, Kim Robben

Dec. 21 - Chip & Becky Hancock, Becca Matthews

Ushers

Dec. 14 - Ken Paul, Bill Hall, Anne Cox,
Ray Fleming, Charles Payne

Dec. 21 - Wayne Boothe, Lee Thompson,
Steve Van Cleef, Keith Utley

Quotes for Today

The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot. -- Michael Altshuler

Life shrinks or expands in proportion to one's courage. -- Anais Nin

Money is only a tool. It will take you wherever you wish, but it will not replace you as the driver. - Ayn Rand

Sunday – December 7, 2008

Worship	192	Contributions	\$ 4,499.00
Sunday School	69	Avg. weekly needs	4,009.00
Building Fund	\$115.00		
		Given to date:	\$ 172,976.05
		Avg. Budget needs:	196,441.00

From the Pastor *A Lesson from American Automakers*

According to analysts of the auto industry, the Big Three car-makers of America are in dire trouble for one main reason. For the past 30 years they have gone about business as usual and not adapted to the changing needs and interests of consumers. Such failure to change has placed their companies in peril and now requires drastic restructuring to survive.

The lesson for American churches is obvious. Those of us who prefer to do things as we've always done will die. Oh, a slow death for sure, but such churches will expire into the dustbin of irrelevance. Those congregations choosing to meet modern believers *where they live today* will experience strength and growth in the process. It's simple... change or die.

Now we don't change the message, just the methods. And it doesn't matter if certain methods once worked... because they don't work NOW.

Your church Vision/Planning team knows this and such knowledge is guiding their explorations into what actually meets the needs of believers today and in years to come. – Do they have a plan to propose yet? Not by a long shot. Be praying for their efforts, and be open to the future that is coming our way.

In His love,

Lee

Worship – December 14, 2008
Third Sunday of Advent

Scripture Luke 2:10-11,13-14 Lee Thompson

Invocation

Advent Candle of Joy

video

Lighting the Candle of Joy

* Advent Song 117 “As With Gladness Men of Old”

* Greeting each other...

Welcome and Church Highlights

* Offering Song 93 “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear” (1-2,4)

*** Offering Statement & Prayer**

Lee Thompson

A Family Christmas

By Dennis and Nan Allen