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**Thank you for bringing 49
shoe boxes to church last Sunday for
Operation Christmas Child!**



Youth – this Sunday, Nov. 23

1:00 – 4:00 PM go to CCHASM (at Chesterfield Fair Grounds) Meet in the youth room after church for a hot dog lunch. Bring \$5.00 for dinner at CiCi's pizza.

Youth Handbell practice – 5:45 p.m.

No evening youth group



Order Christmas poinsettias now...

To place **poinsettias** to decorate the worship center for Christmas, please indicate the number you wish to order and who they are given in memory or honor of. Cost is \$7.00 per plant and **orders are needed by Nov. 26**. Email mthermon@aol.com, or call office at 794-2049, or use order form in church bulletin this Sunday.



CCHASM Thanksgiving Meals

Help our MHBC Youth collect and distribute meal packages for the Thanksgiving Holiday through CCHASM. **You can provide the contents of a meal package (see list below) or give a \$20 gift card from any grocery store!** (Please provide \$20 cards, not more or less, so that equal amounts can be placed in each meal package.)

Please bring meal package or gift to church by this Sunday, Nov. 23 Our youth will take your donations that Sunday, to the Chesterfield Fair Grounds (1 PM) and then work preparing packages for distribution.

Meal Bag contents:

- 1 small box or jar of ice tea mix
- 1- 40 ounce can of yams or sweet potatoes
- 1- complete family desert item
- 1- 13 oz box of mashed potatoes
- 1- 16 oz can cranberry sauce
- 2- 16 oz pkg of stuffing mix
- 2- 15 oz can green veggies
- 2- 15 oz can corn
- 2- 10 oz can gravy
- 1 box of hot chocolate

Please double bag the packages for added strength.
God has given to us so that we may share with others.



Gingerbread Houses

Christmas fun for children!

Sunday, Nov. 30 -- 3:00 PM at church

Children create their own Gingerbread Houses. Parents, plan to assist your child(ren), and please **contact Kitty Snow (794-2603)** so enough supplies can be ordered. - Cost is only **\$5.00** per child.

Pass the word, and bring friends!

No dinner or activities at church Wednesday, Nov. 26

Church office closed Thursday, Nov. 27



Children's Mission Project Infant Care Kits

This year, instead of exchanging gifts, the children are going to make **Infant Care Kits** for babies in Honduras. The children will work together to assemble the kits at the Children's Christmas Party. We are asking that each child donate an item or items from the following list. Stephanie Hancock's dad and other mission workers from the **Friends of Barnabas Foundation** will deliver them to the families in need on their next trip.

We need your help! In order to make as many kits as possible, we are asking everyone to participate. You may place items in the box in the commons area, or make a monetary donation, if you prefer, and we will purchase needed items.

If you have questions, please contact Stephanie Hancock at 639-6091.

Needed Items

cloth diapers onesies
infant pacifiers
diaper pins receiving blankets small
soft toys
diaper rash ointment caps
baby powder
infant vitamin drops socks/booties
wash cloths

Jesus loves the little children...

**Happy
Birthday this Week!**

Nov 23 - Jessica Whitlock Nov 26 - Karla Rowland
Nov 25 - Kitty Snow Nov 29 - Scarlett Szczesniak

Sundays

Children's Church

Nov. 23 - Vickie, Belinda, Terri, Lindsey & Becca Matthews

Nov. 30 - Vickie, Belinda, Susan Prather,
 Cheyenne Rudd, Lindsey Mann

Nursery Care

Nov. 23 – Gina Thompson, Dustin Pratt

Nov. 30 – Debbie Ellison, Darian Spivey

Ushers

Nov. 23 - Sandra Hauser, Billy Bare, Woody Carter,
 Rita Utley, Vincent Russell

Nov. 30 - Ken Paul, Chris Edwards, Charles Payne,
 Rachel Boothe, Mary Ann Mann

Quotes for Today

If you think you're too small to have an impact, try going to bed with a mosquito in the room. - Anita Roddick

Life is always walking up to us and saying, "Come on in, the living's fine," and what do we do? Back off and take its picture.

- Russell Baker

The true test of character is... how we behave when we don't know what to do. - John Holt

Sunday – November 16, 2008

Worship	142	Contributions	\$ 3,206.08
Sunday School	68	Avg. weekly needs	4,009.00
		Given to date:	\$ 163,349.66
		Avg. Budget needs:	184,414.00

New and Updated Prayer Concerns...

- **Betsy Smith** is in Chippenham Hospital
- **Logan Witt**, having tonsillectomy Friday
- **Tom Critelli**, came home Monday from hospital

- **Dorothy Brownley**, Henrico Doctors Hospital
 - **Sara Lu Chenery**, LuGay Lanier's mother, in Henrico Doctors Hospital
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From the Pastor

Taking the Long View

It's so cold this week, one is tempted to ask, "What global warming?" But global warming is measured over decades, not just one week on one continent. -- With so many economic indicators going bad at the moment, one is tempted to be pessimistic and fear the worst. But just a few months ago, a gallon of gas cost over \$4. Did you think the price would plunge below \$2 before Thanksgiving? -- Will the new presidential administration be a disaster or a blessing? No one can tell. Let's just relax and give the new team a chance... and that means years, not just weeks.

It's not wise to make generalized conclusions based on short term experiences. Older people know this, and they have the advantage of assessing life based on the long view. A teenager may generalize out of his or her first experience with heartache, disappointment, or failure and conclude that life is not worth living. The person with a long view can say, "Oh yes it is, just hang in there. This will pass. You will make it. Things can and will be better and feel quite different with the passing of time."

We Christians take a very long view. It's called eternity. And it makes even 100 years of this life look like just a few hours. Very brief. Knowing that we will exist with God forever surely colors and tempers everything we go through right now. -- What is troubling you right now? Try taking a long-view look and see if that helps.

In His love,
Lee

Worship – November 23, 2008
A Service of Thanksgiving

Children can go to Children's Church at 11:00 AM for extended care and Christmas play practice

Scripture Call to Worship	Philippians 1:2-6	Bill Hall
<i>What is Thanksgiving?</i>		video
Call to Worship		Choir
	"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"	
Invocation Prayer		Bill Hall
* Praise Songs 640	"Let All Things Now Living"	

636 "We Gather Together"

* 'Happy Thanksgiving' to each other...

Welcome and Church Life Highlights

The Bible Says Colossians 1:9-20

Prayers of Thanksgiving

* Offering Song 644 "Count Your Blessings" vss. 1,3,4

* Offering Statement & Prayer Bill Hall

Special Music Give Thanks Choir

Message **Thanks... For What?** Lee Ellison

* Commitment Song 638 "Now Thank We All Our God"

* Parting Blessing

* Choral Benediction Choir

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"