



The Clarion

January/February 2012

Our purpose: To love the Lord, love one another, and make disciples for Jesus

From the Pastor's Desk:

Here we stand at the threshold of another year; what a time we have experienced together in 2011! God has been so faithful to hear our prayers and pour out his mercy and love upon the whole congregation. We have experienced great Joy and great Sorrow during this past year. Our journey has been a journey of Faith, as we trust in the Lord who is able to supply all of our needs according to His riches in Glory!

As the announcer on the TV infomercials always says: But wait, there's more. We serve the God of More, the God who knows our needs before we ask and has prepared the way for us through any situation. Whatever you are facing in 2012, God has already seen it and will see you through!

This year I am happy to announce that we are blessed to have Pastor Wib Bragg and his wife Linda joining us in ministry at Christ Church. Wib will serve as Associate Pastor beginning January 1st. He will be assisting me with visitation and sharing his gifts of ministry throughout 2012. Make them welcome as they begin this appointment to serve Christ with us.

This is also the year we have made covenant to pray over our families and friends for deliverance and salvation. A few weeks ago many of you wrote the names of your family and friends on a scroll and placed them in the prayer chest. Each week we pray over those names several times believing that this is the year of victory for our families to be whole in Christ. We read in Acts Chapter 16 that the Roman prison guard asks the question; what must I do to be saved? Paul and Silas told him "*Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household*"



Get ready for the victory! Isaiah the prophet declared in **Isa 43:19** "*Behold I will do a new thing, Now shall it spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness and rivers in the desert*" Your wilderness experience is about to be interrupted by the Majesty and Power of the living God! Your dry desert place is about to be flooded with the presence of our great God as the Holy Spirit moves on our hearts in 2012.

Many are predicting the catastrophic end of the world during 2012. We are predicting the power and presence of God the Holy Spirit will overflow every heart that will receive Him! Let this be the year of victory! Just now, give Him right of away in your heart and soul; the results will be abundant Joy and Peace for your life.

See you next Sunday,

Pastor Moore



SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS

Our purpose is to educate and provide opportunities for our congregation to support local and global missions.

2011 MISSIONS CONTRIBUTIONS

Here are the organizations which benefitted from our Missions donations this year:

Compassion International (sponsored child in Africa), Feed My People, Gideons International, Gospel For Asia (missionary family in India), GRACE Pantry, Living Word, Murphys (missionary family in Honduras), Orellanas (missionary family in Ecuador), Share & Care (Salvation Army), Word For The World (Earl Bailey), World Hunger, World Vision, American Red Cross (Japan relief), Open Arms Pregnancy Center, Samaritan (homeless) Center, Salt Factory, Habitat for Humanity (local), Samaritan's Purse (Operation Christmas Child), Young Life, Ohio Valley Emmaus, Angel Tree, USO, Nationwide Children's Hospital, Celebrate Recovery, St. Jude Hospital, Doctors Without Borders, Smile Train, Grace Fabian, East Ohio Conference's One Great Hour of Sharing and 3-C Initiatives, Southern Hills District (for Joplin, Missouri missions trip materials), and Haiti radio ministry.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Open Arms Pregnancy Center hopes to open its doors at the beginning of this year. They will be needing 24 or 25 volunteers who will be provided with the necessary training. If interested in volunteering, please contact Cal Rice at 432-1996.

HAITI MISSIONS TRIP

Our missions trip to Haiti is scheduled for January 18-27. Please pray especially for our team's protection and for them to be a blessing to the people of Haiti.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

We are scheduled to have a blood drive on Wednesday, February 1 from 1-7 p.m. in the New Fellowship Hall. Please prayerfully consider giving the gift of life.

EARLY RESPONSE TEAM TRAINING

We will hold an ERT training on two consecutive Tuesdays, February 21 and 28, at 7 p.m. at our church with Pastor Floyd Costello as the trainer. Cost is \$20 for the course.

If you plan on attending this training, you will need to apply for a Background Check before you come. Call/email the Southern Hills District office and you will be given the web page that will help you with the Background Check. Here is the info:

Rev. Steve Court, DS
Secretary, Mollie Gerlach
Phone: (740) 255-5691
office@shillsumc.com

If you would seek to be a healing agent of our Lord in the aftermath of a natural disaster, then this is the course for you. This course with its ensuing badge permits the holder to arrive at a natural disaster after the Police/Medical Support teams are out of the area and before the Long Term VIM ministry begins. Remember this is not a course designed to fix people's homes. The main focus is to make sure no harm will come to

those who are already hurting mentally, physically, and spiritually. Therefore, ERT members do not truly repair the houses as VIM would seek to do, but do their best to make sure no more damage is done before the Long Term Teams arrive. ERT members are focused on providing a spiritual presence in the aftermath of a natural disaster, seeking to help people who have lost all to know that the Church cares for them in their time of hurt.

Our Office Assistant, Jennifer Likes, has agreed to assist those who don't have access to a computer. The course cost of \$20 should be paid the first night of the training. For additional information, contact Becky Kellum at 439-7300.

*Please continue to pray for God's blessing on these missionaries and those they serve. And don't forget to [check out the Missions bulletin board](#) in the foyer between the old and new sanctuaries for cards, pictures, and the latest info on all those mission workers!

DAVID J. POLLAY'S
THE LAW OF THE GARBAGE TRUCK



Sixteen years ago I learned an important life lesson, in the back of a New York City taxi cab.

I hopped in a taxi, and we took off for Grand Central Station. We were driving in the right lane when, all of a sudden, a black car jumped out of a parking space right in front of us.

My taxi driver slammed on his brakes, skidded, and missed the other car by mere inches! The driver of the other car, the guy who almost caused a big accident, whipped his head around and started yelling bad words at us. My taxi driver just smiled and waved at the guy. And I mean, he was actually friendly!

So, I asked him, "Why did you just do that? This guy almost ruined your car and could've sent us to the hospital!"

And this is when my taxi driver told me about what I now call, "The Law of Garbage Trucks."

"Many people are like Garbage Trucks. They run around full of garbage, full of frustration, full of anger, and full of disappointment. As their garbage piles up, they need a place to dump it, and if you let them, they'll dump it on you. When someone wants to dump on you, don't take it personally. Instead, just smile, wave, wish them well, and move on. You'll be happier because you did."

The bottom line is that successful people do not let garbage trucks take over their day. Life's too short to wake up in the morning with regrets, so love the people who treat you right, and pray for the ones who don't. Life is 10% what you make it and 90% how you take it. Have a blessed, garbage-free day!

"Be kind, compassionate, and forgiving to each other, in the same way God forgave you in Christ." Ephesians 4:32 NIV

January

Happy Anniversary!

January 1 Howard & Toni Hutchison

January 17 James & Fritzie Boggs

January 20 Al & Joyce Pederson

January 31 Neil & Judith Williams

Happy Birthday!

January 1 Carrie Koval

Wilma Oliver

January 2 Jim Gibson

January 3 Evelyn Moorehead

Lisa Zaleski

January 4 Shirley Milton

January 5 Joshua Brothers

Don Nicholson

January 6 Bobbie Pennington

January 8 Aaron Todd

January 10 John Adams

Bridget Todd

January 12 Joyce Bates

Jenny Christ

Connor Leppla

January 13 Traci Ford

Laura Orahoske

January 14 Kyle Winnett

January 15 Bob Corbett

Tom Hannon

Bethany Keith

Randy Mercer

Don Wilson

January 18 Philip Biddle

Chris Larrison

Briana Wolverton

January 19 Kali Waers

Linda Seibert

Joe Starr

January 21 Sophia Blattner

Jane Collart

Sawyer Jones

Mabel Leeper

Josh Lincicome

January 22 Cara Black

Fritzie Boggs

Shirley McCance

January 23 Mike Warne

January 24 Ted Barnes

January 25 Angie Black

Tim Gilcher

January 29 Matthew Larrison

Nancy Mansfield

Dick Snyder

January 30 Margaret Wagner

January 31 Don Mace

February

Happy Anniversary!

February 13 Sam & Angela Masters
February 14 Tyler & Katie Warne
February 18 Sturman & Shirley Moore
February 20 Jake & Dollie Bartos

February 23 Jerry & Jennifer Blattner
James & Dixie Heddleson
February 24 Tom & Dana Warne
February 27 James & Laura Ripley
February 28 H. Eugene & Linda Burris

Happy Birthday!

February 2 James Kafury
John Moore
Davey Mosley
Jennifer Pennington
February 3 Kay Mikes
Sue Thomas-Sikora
John Michael Warne
February 4 Lee Adams
Leslie Leppla
February 5 David Sneddon
Anthony Walsh
February 6 Constance Power
February 7 Jimmy Perkins
Kane Spencer
Jim Williamson
February 9 Keegan Huston
Eric Neilson
Joan Picklesimer
Martha Rice
February 10 Erin Handyman
Jeremiah Moore
February 12 Blakeleigh Wolverton
February 13 Carmaleta McGaha

Anjela Poole
Sandra Snyder
February 14 Danny Crawford
Carolyn Keith
February 16 Benjamin Crawford
Gabriel Parrish
Teena Vigus
February 18 Allen Angel
Britinai Smith
February 19 Chris Wilson
February 20 Alexandria Fraley
Clint McGaha
February 21 Maurice Froment
Agnes Otterstedt
Terri Sestina
February 22 Joseph Mizikar
February 23 Harold House
Lisa Neilson
Michelle Pierce
February 26 Amanda Biddle
February 27 Frieda Seidel
February 28 Dwight Allbaugh

THE SHEPHERD'S GUIDE

Tyler & Katie Warne: **Car detailing, washing, waxing, oil change, small engine repairs.** ~ 630-3809

Jenny Christ: **Independent Fragrance Consultant: Candles ~ Body ~ Home.** 740-995-0327;
jennifer.christ@goldcanyon.us. <http://www.mygc.com/jennychrist>

Tim Todd: **Wanted to buy:** old toys, wooden skateboards, and slot cars. ~ 432-5896

Gary Parrish: Need a great gift idea **Design Wood Crafts:** Crosses, trivets wildlife designs. ~ 740-381-5032

Lisa Zaleski & Carolyn Walton: **Mary Kay Representative & Touch of Romance** - Floral arrangements and decorating for weddings, receptions, parties & more. References avail. 432-8669 (Lisa) or 679-2613 (Carolyn).

Jerry Wolfrom: "**The Wills Creek Chronicles**" by the Cambridge Writers Workshop. Some 55 fictional short stories by local authors. Retail \$9.95. CUMC members \$7. Some proceeds back to the church. 439-5370.

Terri Sestina: **Uppercase Living** ~ Personalize your home with decorative expressions
270-498-3832, terrirebekah@yahoo.com, <http://terrisestina.uppercaseliving.net>

Trudy Gibson: **Glamour Manor** ~ 432-6155 Hairstyling by appointment

Mike Warne Jr: **Computer repairs:** 255-0570 or 432-4514

Joyce Bates: **Notary Public** ~ 432-9605

Cindy Scheffer: **Heaven Scent Confections** ~ baking by order only ~ 439-2062 leave message.
Raisin, Red Raspberry & Apricot filled cookies, Brownies, Pie and many other items at Holidays.

Vickie Lyons: **Avon Representative** ~ Call Vickie @ 432-4661, 439-1554 or 260-9404 if you would like to see a brochure. Twenty-one percent of all profits will be donated to the building fund.

Amanda Cox: **Nothing But Chocolate** ~ Specialize in handmade chocolates including Buckeyes, Gourmet Apples and Gourmet Pretzel Rods. 439-5754 www.nothingbutchocolate.com

Aaron Todd: **Vocal Lessons** ~ call Aaron @ 439-9700 if you are interested in taking vocal music lessons.

Allison Pakosta: **Creative Crafts by A.J.** ~ Plastic canvas crafts, potpourri boxes, wooden cross trios, and more! Call Allison at 255-5041 or 584-2419.

Penny Warne: **Penny-Mama's Daycare** ~ 432-4514 Twenty+ years of loving your kids while you are at work.

Dale Huston: **Self Defense ~ Kachido Aikijitsu** ~ Classes every Tuesday & Thursday @ The Fieldhouse in Zanesville. Self Defense classes for Children ages 7-12 from 5:15 – 6:15 p.m. Adult classes ages 13 & up from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. For more information call: 740-704-7409 or visit the school's My Space page: myspace.com/martialartsschoolofki

Kim Conrad: **Tupperware Representative** ~ Call Kim @ 432-3408 or 630-5714 for your Tupperware needs.

If you would like your name added to our list, please contact the church office at 439-4579.

All articles for the January/February edition of The Clarion are due to the office by 9 am January 21st.