

Last Sunday's Record - October 10, 2021

Offering: \$31,438.20
 Sunday School: 174

January 1, 2021

Requirements: \$1,085,711.57
 Receipts: \$1,141,891.80

Deacon of the Week

10/17 - Mike Jones 10/24 - Larry Roberts
 10/31 - David McCubbin

Deacon's Breakfast - October 24

8:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Sermon for Sunday, October 17

"Religious, But Lost" Acts 1:8

Family Night Supper
Wednesday, October 20

Pot Roast and Buttered Noodles, Sauteed Cabbage,
 Yeast Roll, Caramel Layer Cake
 KIDS: Pizza and Applesauce
Adults: \$5 KIDS (12 and under): \$3 Family Maximum \$20

SERVERS

Jim Williamson, Benny Harrison, Cathy Carpenter

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY - October 17

<u>Preschool Ext. Session</u> Leslie and Jill Williams	<u>Launch</u> Ben and Julie Webb
<u>Worship Welcomers</u> Faye Bruner Dee Dee Fouts David and Kathy Stehle	<u>Greeters</u> John and Gaile Culpepper Allan and Diane Tolleson
<u>Security - Team 5</u> Jim Anderson, Leslie Dunn, Brad Sykes, Bernie Mitchell, Allan Tolleson	<u>Counting Committee</u> Sharon McMullen, chairman Susan Hill, Daphne Cal- houn, Greg Monsour

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, October 17

- 9:15 - Sunday School
- 10:30 - Morning Worship
- 3:15 - Acteens
- 4:30 - Bible Drills/ Youth
- 5:30 - Youth Bible Study
 - Bible Skills and Drills/Children
 - Beautiful Resistance/H. VanHorn
 - A Long Obedience/N.VanHorn

TUESDAY, October 19

- 7:00 - YOUTH BIBLE STUDY/Jack's
- 9:30 - Elijah/C. Laird

WEDNESDAY, October 20

- 5:00 - FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER
YOUTH BELLS
- 5:30 - YOUTH CHOIR
Young Ringers
 - Centri-Kid Meeting (Private Dining Room)
- 6:00 - Preschool and Children's Choirs
- 6:15 - Prayer Meeting, Bible Study/Budget Discussion
- 6:30 - MISSIONS (G.A.s, R.A.s, Mission Friends)
YOUTH WORSHIP
- 7:15 - Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY, October 21

- 6:45 - YOUTH BIBLE STUDY/Piggly Wiggly-Collinsville
- 5:30 - CWJC (Fellowship Hall)

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

Tommy Allen, Bo Bailey, Will Carpenter, Adam Foreman, Brad Garrett, Benny Harrison, Michael Jones, Dave Little, Timothy Maloney, John Morgan Mims, Brian Sellers, Ronnie Smith, Allan Tolleson, Cary Vaughn and Leslie Williams

Dr. Nathan VanHorn, Pastor
Rev. David Bishop, Associate Pastor for Music
Zach DePriest, Minister of Youth Caitlin Braud, Director of Children's Ministries
Dr. Raymon Leake, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. David McCubbin, Associate Pastor Emeritus
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THE MESSENGER

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IT'S TIME FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD!!

Pick up a box in the WELCOME CENTER and return by NOVEMBER 7th

SOMETHING TO WEAR: t-shirt, polo shirt, shorts, skirt, cap, beanie, sandals, flip flops, socks, etc.

SOMETHING TO LOVE: teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.

SOMETHING SPECIAL: carry bag, sunglasses, bangles bows, soccer ball (with manual air pump), harmonicas, etc.

SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL: Pencil case, pens, pencils, coloring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.

SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH: tennis ball, cars, jump rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, flashlights, extra batteries for toys that need them, etc.

SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE: soap and face wash, wash cloths, toothbrush (NO toothpaste) hairbrush, comb, scrunchies, hair-clips, adhesive bandages.

OR

Our G.A.s will be shopping this year for items to fill our shoeboxes. Would you like for them to shop for you?

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$25

(Deadline: November 3 - Money can be turned in to the Church office or Caitlin Braud)



What is Operation Christmas Child?

The Samaritan's Purse project, Operation Christmas Child, collects and delivers filled shoeboxes with fun toys, school supplies and hygiene items to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way. For many of these children, the gift—filled shoebox is the first gift they have ever received. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 188 million shoebox gifts to children in more than 170 countries and territories. In 2021, Operation Christmas Child hopes to collect enough shoebox gifts to reach another 9.7 million children.

We have boxes in the Welcome Center for you to pick up if you would like to be part of this ministry. You can fill one yourself with some of the suggested items on the front of the *Messenger*. You can donate \$9 per shoebox gift online through *Follow Your Box* and receive a tracking label to discover its destination. Our goal is 150 boxes.

Something new this year - our G.A.s are shopping for items to fill the boxes and they will be glad to shop for YOU! A suggested donation of \$25 will allow them to pack a wonderful box for you. You may give your money to the church office or Caitlin Braud/cash or checks with G.A.s-OCC in the memo.

Deadline: November 3

On November 7 during morning worship, we will dedicate these boxes and pray for the precious children all over the world that will receive them. Plan to be a part of this special blessing.

CENTRI-KID
INTEREST MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20
5:30 p.m. Private Dining Room
Parents of 3 - 6 graders! ...come with your questions!



Wednesday, October 27

Contact any R.A. or leader to pledge a flat donation or amount per yard!
 All proceeds of this event go to "Christmas in Trinidad".

Christmas Cards for Prisoners

Our WMU is collecting Christmas Cards to give to prisoners to share with their families. There is a collection box in the Welcome Center. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!**



October is GLOBAL HUNGER MONTH.
You will find an offering envelope in your packet if you would like to give.

Sunday School Classes or Small Groups!

The second year of *The Disciple's Study - Applying the New Testament to Everyday Life* by John Temple is being made available to all groups who wish to continue this study from last year or to begin it in 2022. It will be made available electronically or through a hard copy notebook. Teacher materials and commentary will also be provided. Check the Messenger for additional info and dates when materials will be available for pick-up.

Sympathies to...

Davis and Joni Miller and family in the death of Davis' father, Lloyd Miller.

The Disciple's Study Calendar

Week 43 (October 18-22) Philippians 1
Sunday School Lesson for October 24

First Budget Discussion

Wednesday, October 20

6:15 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Church Conference

Wednesday, October 27

6:15 p.m. Fellowship Hall



Please help us provide turkeys for L.O.V.E.'s

Kitchen for the holidays. Donations can be given directly to Julie Holloway or dropped off in the church office.

*We'll need to gather TURKEY BUCK\$ by **November 7th.***

CHANGE IN OFFERING ENVELOPES

In 2022, we will change to boxed offering envelopes, and you will no longer receive monthly envelopes in the mail. If you are presently giving on-line, you won't receive envelopes, unless you specifically request them. If you do not wish to receive the boxed set because you submit your check without an envelope or you give annually, etc., please call the church office as soon as possible to be removed from the order list.

Thanks so much.