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A Few More Thoughts on Being Thankful

I know it's time to start counting the days until Christmas – time to put up the tree, the lights, and all the other great Christmas decorations. It's time to go shopping, wrap gifts, and watch those favorite Christmas movies – as well as listen to favorite CDs or play lists – all the while reading and re-reading the story of Jesus' birth.

It's time ...

And what a great time it is!

It's time for the world to focus on Jesus, and when he came to earth as a human baby and changed our lives forever. And though it should be our focus daily, he's on our minds more – much more this time of year. But in thinking about this, my mind goes back to Thanksgiving... I mean, shouldn't it go there anyway? But since our Thanksgiving holiday has just passed, and Christmas is quickly approaching, I just want to look back at a few things, and just a few, that I'm thankful for in 2007.

1. I'm thankful for a blessed 2007 for Kristin, Kendall, and me.
2. I'm thankful for a blessed 2007 for the Sunshine family.
3. I'm thankful that Intermission has been blessed in so many ways in 2007.
4. I'm thankful that my family had two great vacations in 07...Florida and Holden Beach, N.C.
5. I'm thankful that my arm healed so quickly (thanks to God and your prayers) after breaking it in the cycling accident – I shot my best golf scores ever after it healed, weird huh?!?
6. I'm thankful for a great Vacation Bible School.
7. I'm thankful that our week of camp was awesome, again.
8. I'm thankful for our mission trip to Honduras, everyone we met, and all God taught us through the experience.
9. I'm thankful for all the simple, yet great opportunities we are blessed with on a daily basis, as a family at Sunshine.
10. I'm thankful that God is my God, my Father, and friend – and for his patience in teaching me that I have a lot to be thankful for.

Jamie Riley
Sunshine Church of Christ

PRAYER REQUESTS

For our national and world leaders as they lead their respective nations.

For our troops in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Korea, Iraq, Liberia, Haiti and other places.

For the innocent who are suffering in the midst of war.

For the “people in the box”, the lost in our families and community.

For those who are being martyred and persecuted for Christ in our own time

For marriage to stand in our laws as God ordained it.

For the church in Siliguri and Naresh Chetri

For the churches in Honduras and Haiti who partner with us in the gospel

For our Haiti Mission Team leaving in January

Sarah Riley is in Holzer (Gallipolis) with a couple fractured vertebrae after a fall on Wednesday. Surgery to repair is being considered but may not be possible.

Millie Lemon is at home recuperating from her last surgery. Hopefully she will be back with us soon.

Renee Bissell is scheduled for Round 5 of chemo on Monday.

Rick Richmond had his “gamma knife” treatment on November 20. A small spot was detected in another location of his brain and was treated at the same time as the tumor at the original site.

Alex Cram spent the week at Children’s in Columbus. Excess spinal fluid is the apparent cause of his headaches and periods of blindness. Treatment will involve medication to control seizures and periodic spinal taps to draw off excess fluid.

Matthew Risner had his appointment last week at Children’s and nothing new was learned. He is going back in 2 weeks for another consult about his arm.

Shirley Gilliam had her right knee replaced by surgery at Holzer (Jackson) on Wednesday. She is moving to Heartland (Jackson) this weekend for rehab.

Sharon Neal (mother of Sarah Gilliland’s caretaker) has been diagnosed with cancer.

Tom Ball (Clyde’s brother in Hopkins, MI) has cancer in multiple locations. Prayers for his soul requested.

Allison Thompson (Brandy Gampp’s 21 yr old cousin) had surgery Thursday for Stage 4 cancer.

Tally Hermann (1 year-old born with exposed internal organs) is scheduled for another surgery in the spring. Now home doing well after a recent surgery.

A Cup of Water in My Name

God has really blessed Innermission the last few years with tremendous growth, both spiritually and numerically. With this growth have come other opportunities to reach out and support these students. Recently a couple of our members provided a home-cooked lunch for the students at Innermission. These students do not get the opportunity for real home cooking that often and those meals were received with great enthusiasm and much appreciation. Would you be willing to provide a home-cooked lunch for 25-30 students? If you are interested see Aaron or Kim McCray. If this is not down your alley, please continue to pray for Innermission and the many students who are blessed by your support.

Haiti Mission Update

For the last several months 7 of our members have been preparing themselves for a short term mission trip to Haiti in January, 2008 (January 19-26). Those who are going are Jason Coriell, Mike Dixon, Scott Gampp, Matthew Gampp, Brandy Gampp, Karren Griffith and Aaron Kallner. Some of our members could use some financial help to make this trip. If you would like to help sponsor one of our people see Jason Coriell or Aaron Kallner. Over the next two months we will be collecting some specific items to take to Haiti. Watch the bulletin for more information on this. Also, we ask that all of you begin praying in earnest for this mission. This is a big step for this church and we want to make that step with the full blessing and direction of the Lord.

Spirit Club Verse of the Month

Matthew 6:33 Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.

Thank You

To all those who helped with Tim and Jennifer and Zoe’s shower/potluck last evening. Thanks to those who brought food, gave gifts and/or money, who helped decorate and clean up.

Coats for Kids

Contributions are being received now by Eugene Risner and Rhonda Berry for a fund to purchase hats, coats and gloves for needy students in the Minford School District. We have used the staff at the school to determine who should receive the items. The items have already been purchased and will be delivered on Monday. The total bill comes to \$380.00. So far \$52.00 has been collected. Get your money to Eugene or Rhonda by Sunday, December 16. Checks made out to Sunshine church of Christ.

Congregational Info Meeting Tonight

This evening after the evening Bible Study, all members of the Sunshine church of Christ are invited to come to the auditorium for a meeting concerning the future of the congregation. We will be discussing our need for more room and parking. Some possible solutions will be put forth and your input and questions will be welcome. This is a very important meeting. Please come.

Spirit Club Reports Due

Parents, between today and Wednesday we need a Spirit Club Report for your child/children filled out or email to srmiller1522@yahoo.com. If you need new pictures, see Stephanie Copas or Jacob Miller.

Hunger Awareness Weekend

Friday, December 7, 6 am is the beginning of Hunger Awareness Weekend. Our youth will be participating in Hunger Awareness Weekend by fasting for 36 hours. The first 12 hours everyone is on the "honor system." **At 6 pm Friday evening**, all youth are invited to the building for a camp out in the annex and a number of activities and trips that will start from the building. **At 6 pm Saturday evening**, we "break" the fast. (For your information, this will not be a complete fast—fruit or vegetable juices will be allowed at the regular meal times. That's it.) **Sunday, December 16**, the congregation will be challenged by the Youth to do their part in Hunger Awareness Weekend. The congregation will be given the opportunity to contribute to a special collection on that Sunday which will be used to feed people who are going hungry. Some of the proceeds will be going to the Scioto County Homeless Shelter and some will be sent to Haiti to help the people there as they recover from the destruction of Noel. The Youth will be deciding how that contribution will be divided up. More information will be coming as we get closer to the event.

Youth Ministry

Terry Sullivan has asked to step down from the position of Youth Minister. Terry would like to thank everyone who has helped out over the years and we would like to express our appreciation for his outstanding service. If you are interested in working with the Sunshine youth program, please see one of the elders.

Wedding Bells

Sara Clark and Sam Miller will be married on Dec. 8 in Lancaster, Ohio. Please pray that their lives will be blessed.

COMING EVENTS

Today - Congregational meeting after evening Bible study
12/7-8 - Youth Hunger Awareness Weekend
12/16 - Collection for Hunger Awareness Weekend
12/16 - Coats For Kids Deadline
12/20 - Christmas Program
1/19-26 - Haiti Mission Trip

Bible Study Curriculum

Sunday

12/2 Acts 10
12/9 Acts 11
12/16 Acts 12
12/23 Acts 19

Wednesday

12/5 Lam 1-5
12/12 Ezek 2-4
12/19 Ezek 18, 28
12/26 Ezek 34, 37

Sympathy Extended

To the family of **Larry Pringle** who passed away on Wednesday after receiving severe burns and injuries in a rail yard accident in November.

To the family of **Andy Bray** (young man who was in a serious auto accident a few weeks ago) who passed away on Sunday

Haiti Update

We have received a report from Hope for Haiti's Children detailing the needs of the villages where HFHC has been ministering. These villages were hit by severe flooding caused by Hurricane Noel. Debbie Vanderbeek (HFHC's executive director in Haiti) has visited all of the villages in question over the last two weeks. She distributed about \$6700.00 in aid and estimates it will take another \$34,450.00 to provide the immediate needs of the families affected. On Sunday, December 16, we already have a special collection scheduled for Haiti through the efforts of our young people in their Hunger Awareness Weekend. Be sure that you are generous in that contribution. Christian brothers and sisters and their children are in great need in Haiti right now. Copies of Debbie Vanderbeek's report are on the table in the foyer for you to take.

Angel Food Orders

Deadline is tonight for the December Angel Food order. See Jason Coriell or Judy Allison.

Hospital Bed

Tamera Green is working with a patient who needs an electric hospital bed. If you have access to one, please give her a call. Would like to borrow or purchase or rent.



**"You make the gateways
of the morning and the evening
shout for joy."
Psalm 65:8**

Help Wanted

If you have some experience using desktop publishing software or would like to learn, I am looking for someone to train to do the bulletin once or twice a month including creating and uploading the online version and do routine maintenance of the church website. If you are interested, see Al Graff.

***"Train up a child in the way
he should go: and when he
is old, he will not depart
from it." — Proverbs 22:6***

Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning

Welcome & Prayer
Song Director
Scripture Reading
Prayer
Lord's Supper –Bread
Wine
Server 1
Server 2
Server 3
Server 4
Server 5
Server 6
Message
Closing Prayer

December 2

Wayne Gampp
Nick Davis
Zach Coriell
Shawn Gragg
Aaron Kallner
Bill Gammon
Dewey Cordle
Michael Dixon
Gregg Ferrell
Aaron Franke
Brent Frazee
Troy Gahm
Steve Miller
Mike Gampp

December 9

Tom Kelley
Ralph Gampp
Spike Ferrell
Rich Book
Eric McLaughlin
Aaron McCray
Eric Copas
Josh Coriell
Barry Gampp
Dale Gampp
Gary Glispie
Jack Jennings
Steve Miller
Jason Coriell

Sunday Evening

Song Director
Scripture Reading
Lord's Supper
Assist
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Matthew Hoskins
Sean Higbee
Ira Coriell
Ryan Coriell
Nick Gampp
Acts 10

Mark Gampp
Tim Gampp
Jamie Riley
Steve Williams
Greg Coriell
Acts 11

Wednesday Evening

Song Director
Prayer
Bible Class Text

Jacob Miller
Zack Sims
Lamentations 1-5

Gabe Coriell
Jeff Hayward
Ezekiel 2-4

Children's Bible Time

December 3/5: Joan Coriell, Pam Coriell, Irmalee Gampp
December 6/8: Kerri Davis, Kim McCray, Jessie Coriell
January 3/5: Jane Ruggles, Stephanie Copas, Jennifer Gampp
January 6/8: Kristin Riley, Cindy Coriell, Becky Dixon

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please make arrangements for a substitute. Thank you.

Regular Service Times

Sunday

Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:30 p.m

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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Arrange all the words of the verse in the crossword.
(Even though some words may be repeated in the poem they appear in the crossword only once.)



The night is nearly over; the
day is almost here. So let us
put aside the deeds of darkness
and put on the armor of light.

