

Welcome to Cicero Christian Church

For our first-time guests, please stop by the Common Grounds Visitor Center located in the South Hallway (outside the church Office) for information about Cicero Christian Church and to speak to an elder.

Opportunities to Reach, Teach & Serve

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Service Children’s Worship is offered today. Regular worship service hours 8:45 & 10:30a will resume next Sunday. *All adult Bible Fellowship Classes, Children and Youth Ministries will also meet at their regular scheduled times.*

Team Ministry Cabinet Meeting will be January 8 *following second service* in the multipurpose room to vote on the 2012 proposed budget. All current and incoming Coaches and Managers should attend. The proposed budget is on the website and hard copies are available at the information desk.

Love Offering today is the last day to contribute to the annual Ministerial Love Offering, designate “Love Offering” in the memo of your check and place it in the offering plate. Monetary gifts will be divided between the ministers.

Offering Envelopes for 2012 are available today outside the church office. Consider if you need to use assigned envelopes. Read the sign with information at the table. If you do not use them and desire to begin, there is a sign up.

Christmas Card Exchange cards will be available for pick-up through 1/8. **Altered Schedule for Upcoming Meetings:** the following groups will not be meeting on listed dates: *The Way, adult day program ~ December 26 and 29; Friend’s Unlimited worship ~ December 27; Men’s Breakfast ~ December 30; Soup, Salad and Scripture ~ December 27; Ladies Tuesday Bible Study ~ December 27; Bible Reading Service ~ December 25 and January 1.*

Office Closing the office will be closed through January 1. If you have an *emergency* please call **317-376-8222** for the minister or elder on call.

Worship Ministry is looking for additional volunteers to join our worship teams. If you sing, play guitar, piano, drums contact Doug for more information.

Thank You to the children for their participation in our worship service last Sunday. Thanks also to the parents for getting them to rehearsals. Watch the bulletin, website, and prayer chain for more exciting news and coming events with our children’s choir. Great things are coming!

Quilt Group will meet Tuesday, January 10 in room 132 at 6p.

EDUCATION AND FELLOWSHIP

Men’s Breakfast Launching New Study starting January 13, 2012 at 6a and following each Friday morning men of all ages are invited to a study on the book “Point Man: How a Man Can Lead His Family” written by Steve Farrar and led by Pastor Tim and the elders. Did you know that most counseling issues come about because a man did not understand the spiritual leadership role that God had called him to in his family? This study takes aim on many issues facing husbands and fathers in today’s world, from being a man on patrol to raising masculine sons and feminine daughters and many more. There is no charge for the book for those who participate. Sign-up at the information desk.

Elective Adult Bible Class is currently meeting in room 132 at 10:30a.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be studying Beth Moore’s *Believing God* starting January 3 from 9 to 11a in room 132. Required workbooks are \$16. Sue Kannard will be the instructor – contact her to order your workbook.

The Summit Wednesday Meal, Education & Fellowship will begin the Winter Session January 18, 2012 for 11 weeks through March 29. *Mercy Triumphs* a study on James, by Beth Moore, will be offered by the Women’s Ministry. If you want a class book, sign up at the information desk. Pastor Tim will also lead a class.

YOUTH / CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

Help Paint Next Wednesday anyone who has artistic ability and would like an opportunity to serve, please come to rooms 116/117 December 28 from either 9-11:30a or 6:30-8:30p to help paint the new “Tree House” mural! If you have any questions, please contact Amber Smith.

SuperStart Preteen Convention is January 27 and 28 at 2012 E. 91st Christian Church. All 4, 5, and 6 graders are welcome. *Registration is \$55 and is due Wednesday, January 4.* Chaperones are needed for the 2 days and 1 night. Sign up today at the Information Desk or see Amber Smith.

Youth & Family Minister Mike Whittymore and his family will be moving January 5 and we will be unloading at the Washington Street house. If you wish to contribute monetarily to the renovations required before they can move in to their home, contact the office. His first day at CCC will be Monday, January 9.

Kid’s Church Live weekly at 10:30a for grades 1-5. The following lesson was taught in KCL this morning. We encourage you to discuss with your child:

Virtue: Generosity – making someone’s day by giving something away.
Passage: Three Men and a Baby (wise men visit Jesus) *Matthew 2:1-12*
Bottom Line: When you give, it shows others how valuable they are.
Memory Verse: “Be rich in good deeds . . . be generous and willing to share.” *I Timothy 6:18, NIV*
Prompt: *Ask a kid:* If you were going to throw someone a parade, who would it be and why? *Ask a parent:* When has someone show Generosity to you, when you thought you were “just doing your job?”
Next: Power (a broken-down wall) Proverbs 25:28

Exciting Changes Coming to Children’s Worship classroom changes beginning next Sunday: the 4/5/6’s Sunday School class and KIT (Kids In Training) worship will move from room 117 to room 105/106. KCL (Kids Church Live) worship for grades 1-5 will move from the family life center to 116/117.

THANK YOU

~For prayers, visits and meals during my surgery recovery. Julie St. Peters
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Christmas Poinsettias

Donor:	Memory of:
Neil & Karen McDole	Parents
Janet Dawson	Kyle Cheesman
Brett Cheesman	Kyle Cheesman
Delilah Lewis	John Lewis
De Carr	Jim Carr
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Shirley Whisman	Bob Whisman
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Janna Beale & Leanne Rowe	Jim Plummer
Ken & Cheri Newcom	Ben & Leanna Illyes
Ken & Cheri Newcom	Glenn & Virginia Newcom
Steve & Donna Zell	Helen Craig
Tony & Kathy Cook	Barbara Cook, Cecil & Harriet Turnquist

Thanks to each of you for the use of these flowers in our sanctuary through this Christmas holiday. You can take yours following service today.

Education & Fellowship Offerings

All classes resume next week.

Children: (Infants through Grade 5)
Noah’s Park Nursery, birth through age 3, at 8:45 & 10:30a
Sunday School 8:45a: age 4/5/6’s rm 105/106, gr 1-2 rm 116, gr 3-5 rm 114
K.I.T. **Children’s Worship** for ages 4 through kdg. at 10:30a room 105/106
KIDS Church LIVE **Children’s Worship** grades 1-5 room 116/117 at 10:30a
Youth: (Grade 6 through College)

Sunday School 9a: grades 6-8 room 206, 9-12 room 213, college room 205

Adult Education 8:45a

Women in the Word: leader Debbie Reeves, studying Matthew, room 112
Faith Builders: leader Keith Schoettmer, *The John Letters*, room 207 (9a)
Community Gathering: leader Tom Strauss, room 220
Community Gathering: leader Bill Carter, room 121
Biblical Archaeology: leader Gino Small, study on Grace, room 122

Adult Education 10:30a

Standard Bible Lesson Commentary: leader John Knapp, room 133
Elective: leader Bob Hendricks, study of Jeremiah, room 132
Kum Join Us: leader Mike Jenkins, Character Studies of the Bible, room 107
Community Gathering: leader Steven Hancock, room 121

Assisted listening devices are available at the sound booth for the hearing impaired. or you may download from our website.

Attendee Information for December 25, 2011

Please help us get to know you by completing this removable section and placing in the offering plate. Thank you for being here today!

First Time Guest Return Guest Member of CCC

Name: _____
please update the following if you have new or changed information

Address: _____

P.O. Box / Apartment: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

How did you hear of CCC? _____

I want to meet with a pastor

Information Request

Children’s Ministries Home Fellowships Youth Ministries
 Men’s Ministry Women’s Ministry Mission Ministry
 Disability Ministry Music & Worship Mission 2020
 Other _____

Prayer Requests Subscribe to email prayer chain (include email above)
 Place request on email prayer chain

PRAYER REQUESTS Email prayer chain listings are at the Info Desk

Health Phyllis Bradley, Sandra Edens, Ginger Grabowski, Betty Lively, June McGuffey, Madonna Meyerrose, Phil Miller, Bob Owens, Jenni Roosa, Virginia Rushton, Teresa Thompson, Betty Widows
Military Will Kahms, Justin Rennaker, Eric Burkhart, Brad Candler, Matthew Faux, Andrew Higginbotham, Erik Larson, Chris McDonald, Edward Stevens, Mick Richards, Cody Wallace, Jason Hopkins, Zachary Powell, Josh Glenn
Nursing Home/Assisted Living *Sheridan:* JR Cowan *Tipton:* Pat Ping, John Spencer, Judy Percifield, Sharon Roop, *Harbor Manor:* Bob Ewing, Margaret Shook, *Riverwalk Village:* Betty Clark, *Riverwalk Commons:* Grace Tharp

CHURCH ELDERS

Dan Conder 758-6382
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What is Mission 2020?
Visit our website for details

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FINANCIAL & ATTENDANCE General Fund weekly budget \$15,867

General Fund Last Week Giving: \$14,410 Spending: \$19,343
General Fund Year to Date Giving: \$798,401 Spending: \$772,413
Debt Reduction Last Week Giving: \$140 \$22,577 accumulated
Attendance Last Week 1st 223; 2nd 368

DONATION STATION December Requests

Help CCC keep costs down. Leave donated items at the blue barrel near the narthex in the south hallway or brought to the church office. If you desire tax credit, we'll need a copy of your receipt.

First Class Stamps ~ Facial Tissue ~ Paper Towel ~ Softener Salt (blue bag)

IN GOD WE STILL TRUST selected quotes from our founding fathers

"My reading of history convinces me that most bad government results from too much government." ~ Thomas Jefferson

POINT TO PONDER

This week's Point to Ponder is: "What does the Bible say about the birth of Christ." *Scripture for last week's Point to Ponder:* What does the Bible say about the increasing attacks on Jesus? Romans 1:18-19



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Connections This Week

Dec 26-Jan 1 Office & School Closed
Tuesday, December 27
6:00p Hope Family Care Clinic
Sunday, January 1
8:45a & 10:30a Worship Service Times
Monday, January 2
Office open / Crosslight Schools closed
Tuesday, January 3
9:00a Ladies Bible Study in 132
11:45a Soup Salad and Scripture
6:30p Friend's Unlimited Worship

Wednesday, January 4
5:30p CRASH youth meal
6:10p CRASH youth group
7:20p Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, January 5
9:30a The Way adult day program

**The Office will be closed
December 26 until January 2
IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY
CALL 317-376-8222**
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*Before you plan an event, schedule all facility use through the church office.
Church calendar is available at www.CiceroChristianChurch.org.*

Sermon Notes

Tim Lueking, Senior Minister

A Christmas to Remember

Part 4 ~ Surprised by Love *Matthew 1:18-25, I John 4:9-11*

Theme Passage: *For today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. ~ Luke 2:11*

Big Idea: God's G_____ G____ is W_____ in His L_____

Question: How has God's Gift of Love changed your life this Christmas?

Four Responses to Being Surprised by God's Love

Response #1 - Choose to W_____ the S_____ of G_____ I John 4:9

Response #2 - Choose to L_____ through J_____ C_____ I John 4:9

Response #3 - Choose to S_____ to G_____ L_____ I John 4:10

Response #4 - Choose to S_____ the L_____ of C_____ I John 4:11

Memory Verse: Revelation 3:20 (NASB) Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him and he with Me.

Challenge: remind yourself that your responsibility, before the Lord, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have discovered in the presentation of the Word of God. As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs and actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

Christmas Day
December 25, 2011