

Children's Ministry News

December 2011



Blessing Babies Service Project – Items needed Dec. 4

Donations can be left in the box at the KIC table.

Kids in Christ are collecting items that newborn babies need – and that some new mothers have difficulty affording – such as disposable diapers, receiving blankets, and baby wipes. The kids will put together “Blessing Babies Baskets” with the items and handmade cards of encouragement for the families. Offering collected during our children’s worship services has been designated for Vie. Our offering goal is \$400. Meeting the goal will allow us to sponsor a day at Vie – which means we covered the costs of operating the clinic for one day this year. Our service project will conclude with a special offering taken at “The Christmas Celebration & Festival” on December 18.

December 4 – Special Music Auditions, Sunday 5:30 p.m.

Do you have musical talents you are willing to share during our Christmas Celebration? We are hoping to have vocal and/or instrumental music for a prelude as well as a special during the Christmas Celebration, Sunday, Dec. 18, at 6 p.m. If you are interested in performing, please come to our auditions ready to perform the selection you would like to do for the service. Performances may be solos, duets, or groups. Auditions will take place in the sanctuary.

December 4 – KIC@Nite, Sunday, 6-7 p.m., ages 4-12 years

Basket Party!

All KIC kids are invited to the special evening of prayer and service. The kids will create handmade cards of encouragement for the families that will receive our Blessing Babies Baskets. We will look to the scriptures to discuss the importance of prayer and spend time praying for the new babies and their families. We will put together baskets with the newborn baby items that have been collected so far.

December 11 – A Christmas Celebration Drama Practice

Sunday, 6-7 p.m.

We need 1st – 5th graders to be actors in our Christmas drama...a simple drama of the nativity to be presented at “A Christmas Celebration” on Sunday, December 18, at 6 p.m. Kids will act out the parts of the Christmas story while the scripture narration of the story is read. The audience (as well as the children) will sing carols along with the presentation.

Sunday will be the only practice. **It would be helpful if parents would stay with their children during the practice.** We will be assigning the parts of Joseph, Mary, three wise men, shepherds, angels, and stable animals. We also need children to be greeters to give out programs before the service begins.

If you cannot make the practice, **you can still participate.** Just contact Bobbie Powers 249-4133 or Amy Nance 232-4756.

December 16-17 – Gymnasium Christmas Decorating

Beginning Friday morning, 10 a.m., Friday evening 6 p.m., and Saturday

Men and women are needed to decorate our gym for the Christmas Festival and Christmas Day Worship Service. Please come and go as your schedule allows. For more information, contact Debra Long.

Merry
Christmas

to our wonderful
Countryside Families.
We realize families are
busy and time is precious,
so we appreciate your
checking out the worship,
classes, and activities here
at Countryside. If you
have any questions, please
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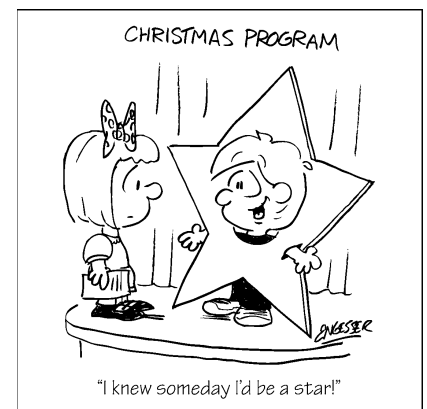
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December 18 - Books of the Bible Challenge Deadline

The 4th- 6th graders attending KIC UP have been encouraged to memorize all 66 books of the Bible. Those who memorize these by December 18 will get to participate in a special trip to somewhere fun in Joplin one Saturday in January. So parents, please, encourage your kids to study and learn these books before the deadline of December 18.

December 18 – A Christmas Celebration

Sunday, 6 p.m. - Music, Worship, & Fellowship for all Ages

Join us for a family Christmas service featuring carols, special music, and a presentation of the Christmas story by Kids in Christ. A Christmas Festival will follow for families to enjoy together featuring crafts, games, treats, stories, and family portraits. During our service a special offering will be collected for Vie Medical Clinic.

If you can bring sweet or savory snacks or would like to run a booth at the Christmas Festival, please sign up at the Children's Ministry Information Table in the hallway by the offices or contact Amy Nance or Bobbie Powers.

December 24 – Christmas Eve Service

Saturday, 5 p.m., in the Sanctuary

Don't miss this special time of worship. Candlelight, music, communion, and a devotional message will focus on the true blessing of Christmas – Jesus Christ.

December 25 – Special Christmas Day Worship Service

Sunday, 10:00-11:15 (No Sunday School classes. No Evening Service.)

There will be one combined service on Christmas morning in the gymnasium. All children 1st-6th grade will sit with their parents during music and worship. Before the sermon, the children will be dismissed to the fellowship hall for a special Christmas movie. Nursery, Wee Worship, and KIC Jr. will be offered.

Beginning January 1 – Format Change for 9 a.m. KIC

Beginning Sunday January 1, all children ages 4-12 years will sit with their parents during the music and worship portion of the 9 a.m. service. They will be dismissed to the fellowship hall before the sermon for a lesson. Nursery for ages 0-3 years will be provided the entire service.

January 22 - Volunteer Meetings

Important meetings for children's ministry volunteers

If you currently volunteer or would like to volunteer in any of the following areas, we urge you to attend. Together we will review our programs and brainstorm suggestions for improvement.

January 22 – Sunday @4:30 p.m. – KIC and KIC Jr. Volunteers

@5:15 p.m. – Nursery and Wee Worship Volunteers

@6:00 p.m. – Children's Sunday School Teachers

January 29 – Family Worship Sunday

No 9 a.m. KIC for ages 4-12 years.

No 11 a.m. KIC 123 or KIC Up for grades 1-6.

January 29 – VBS Leadership Team Meeting, 6 p.m.

February 24-25 – SuperStart! - Tulsa

Friday evening through Saturday for 4th, 5th, and 6th grades

Check out their website at www.ciy.com/superstart/

Sunday Schedule

9 a.m. Worship

0-3 years	Nursery
4-12 years	Kids In Christ (KIC)– Bobbie Powers & Amy Nance

10 a.m. Sunday School

0-2 years	Nursery - Tiffany Wiske
2s & 3s	Amy Barnhisel & Jeanne Hoover
3s & 4s	Holly Jewell
Kindergarten	Terry Martin & Mary Howard
1st & 2nd	Susie Wiemers & Syd Barber
3rd	Susan Fogleman & Eric Jameson
4th & 5th	Jenny Jameson & Doug Nance

11 a.m. Worship

0-18 months	Nursery
18 mos - 3 yrs	Wee Worship – Melinda Adair
3 yrs - Kdgtn.	KIC Jr. – Josie King
1st - 3rd	KIC 123 – Amy Nance
4th - 6th	KIC Up – Bobbie Powers



An Early
Step Toward
A Godly Walk

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