

Rejoicing From the Hills

"The little hills rejoice on every side."
-Psalm 65:12b-

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Some Changes To This Publication

With this issue, you will notice a few changes to this publication. There are two particular changes we have made. First, we will be using less color on the inside pages. Second, we will be printing fewer pictures. The economy is affecting all of us in some way or another and this is one way we are being affected here at North Hills Bible Church.

The good news is that we can still provide these features on our website. Each issue of Rejoicing From The Hills is being posted to our church's website. On the website, we can still include color on more pages without the expense of the ink it takes to print them. We can also include as many pictures of the children and their activities as we like for the same reason. This means there will be more pages to Rejoicing From the Hills on the website than there will be in the printed version. So we would like to encourage more of you to visit our website and enjoy each full issue of this publication as well as all the other resources that are available there.

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link says "Current Issue" and is just below the opening paragraph about Rejoicing from the Hills. Feel free to email us at northhillsbiblechurch@comcast.net and let us know that you are able to enjoy this material online.



Ladies Missionary Project

February 27

Our church ladies will again do a winter project for our missionaries this year. Saturday, February 27 at 10:00 a.m. we will meet in the fellowship hall to get care packages ready for the missionaries.

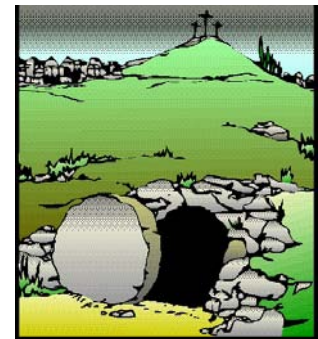
Our hands-on project this year will be cutting out flannel figures that the Kilmer's need to replace and take back with them to South Africa. We will also make Wordless Book bracelets using beads and string for CEF of York, the Pinyols in Spain, and the Blackwells in South Africa. Time will be spent in prayer for our missionaries and then we will have lunch together and continue our fellowship as we enjoy the dish each lady brings to share.

Coming Events



Crucifixion Service

Friday, April 2
7:00 PM



Resurrection Service

Sunday, April 4
10:45 AM

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A GOSPEL MESSAGE FOR YOU

Have you asked Jesus Christ to save you? If not, will you accept Him as your Saviour now? The following will explain what you need to do.

1. **ADMIT THAT YOU ARE A SINNER.** The Bible says, "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23
2. **KNOW THAT GOD HAS ALREADY PROVIDED FOR YOUR SALVATION.** "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16
3. **KNOW THAT YOU CANNOT SAVE YOURSELF.** "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us." Titus 3:5a
4. **REPENT OF YOUR SIN.** "For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of." II Corinthians 7:10. "Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:3
5. **ASK JESUS CHRIST TO SAVE YOU.** "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be **SAVED.**" Romans 10:13. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be **SAVED.**" Acts 16:31
6. **CONFESS JESUS BEFORE MEN.** "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead thou shalt be **SAVED.** For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:9-10

If you have any questions or would like further spiritual help, please contact us at the North Hills Bible Church. Our phone number is 757-1316.

Library News

by Brenda Hamme, Librarian

In addition to being available for purchase, the following DVD's of our Sunday morning Christmas services, which were rescheduled for January 3, may be borrowed from the library:

Children's Program The Gift of God's Son (Musical)

Over 20 years, Lois Gladys Leppard wrote the much loved MANDIE BOOK MYSTERIES about Amanda (Mandie) Shaw and her friends who find themselves learning valuable lessons as they solve a new mystery in each of the 40 books in the series, all of which are in the library.

Recently **Mandie and the Secret Tunnel**, a DVD based on this series of books, was released. The story begins with Mandie running away from her log cabin home in 1899. After a treacherous journey through the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina, she arrives at her wealthy Uncle John's mansion, only to learn that his ship has been lost at sea. The generous house staff allows her to stay. When strangers who claim to be the rightful heirs arrive, Mandie and her friends find themselves in a race through hidden passages as they look for her uncle's will. Do they locate it in time? Find out by watching this DVD.

Other new items in the library include:

THE ANIMATED STORIES FROM THE BIBLE

Ruth
Samuel
David and Goliath

BE SERIES - A New Testament Study

Be Free (Galatians)
Be Rich (Ephesians)
Be Joyful (Philippians)
Be Complete (Colossians)

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Chapter Eight

THE PROMISE

Revelation 3:10

Making a Case For the Pre-tribulation Rapture

Introduction

Understanding the difference between Israel and the church is a key element in understanding the Bible. Distinct promises are made to each. Sometimes those promises are very different and thus easy to distinguish. But sometimes those promises are very similar. Confusion and mis-interpretation of Scripture often occurs when there is a failure to see that similar promises apply separately and distinctly to Israel and the church.

God made a particular promise to the church which is unique to the church and does not apply to Israel at all. Revelation 3:10 says, *I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation which shall come upon all the world to try them that dwell upon the earth.* God has promised to keep the church from a very specific "hour" of temptation that will come upon the whole world. This is very different from what He promised Israel. In Jeremiah 30:7 God said to Israel, *Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it.* God promised to keep the church from the hour of temptation, but He promised to save Israel out of it. This means that while Israel will go into the tribulation period and be saved out of it, the church will be kept from it altogether according to the promise of God.

THE HOUR THAT IS COMING UPON ALL THE WORLD

Revelation 3:10 tells us that there is an hour of temptation which shall come upon all the world. According to Strong's Concordance, the Bible word for hour (# 5610 - hora) refers either to 60 minutes as in Luke 23:44, *And it was about the 6th hour and there was darkness over all the earth until the 9th hour,* or it refers to any definite period of time as in Philemon 1:15, *For perhaps he departed from you for a season*

(hour) that thou shouldest receive him for ever.

It is obvious that the prophecy of Revelation 3:10 is not saying that 60 minutes of temptation is coming upon all the world. No where in Scripture is there any such suggestion. It must therefore be saying that a definite period of time of temptation is coming upon all the world. The question is, what is the length of time that this temptation will last. Being a definite period of time, it will have a definite beginning and a definite end and the duration in between is not indefinite but predetermined and precise.

Temptation according to Strong's Concordance (# 3986 - a noun) refers to a trial, a proving, or a test. The same word in its verb form (Strong's # 3985) means to test or to make a trial of. In Revelation 3:10, the word hour is preceded by the definite article. This means "the hour of temptation" will be a very specific and definite period of testing and trials. This will come upon the whole world and not just a portion of it.

Now, consider the contrast between the promises made to Israel and the church. Israel has been promised a definite time or day of trouble. Jeremiah 30:7 says, *Alas! For that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble.* But the church has been promised to be kept out of a definite time of temptation (Revelation 3:10). The only definite time of trouble or temptation that is slated to come upon the whole world corresponds to the 70th week of Daniel (Daniel 9:24-27). The seventieth week of Daniel is slated to be a definite period of time lasting precisely seven years. This is the same as the length of the tribulation period as indicated by language in the book of Revelation defining the second half of this time as 42 months (Revelation 11:2), or 1,260 days (Revelation 12:6). If the seventieth week of Daniel is to last for seven years and the tribulation period of Revelation is to last for seven years (look below for clarification of this point), it is not a stretch to interpret them as being the same thing. If this is the only specific time of world wide trouble that is foretold in Biblical prophecy and this is a time of trouble for Israel, it should not be difficult to understand that what God has promised to keep the church completely out of is the seven year tribulation period which is the 70th week of Daniel.

Now it is true that the church will experience suffering. 1 Peter 3:21 says, *For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example that ye should follow in his steps.* 1 Thessalonians 3:4 says, *We told you before that we*

should suffer tribulation. The church may even experience chastisement from God. Hebrews 12:5-6 says, *Despise not thou the chastening of the LORD.... For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.*

But it is also true that the church has not been appointed to **the** wrath. 1 Thessalonians 5:9 explains, *For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ.* This applies to a very specific time of wrath according to 1 Thessalonians 1:10 which says, *And to wait for his Son from heaven whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from **the** wrath to come.* The definite article comes before the word "wrath" in this verse indicating this is a specific event of wrath and not just wrath in general. This verse also specifies that this specific event of wrath is not present now but is to come some time in the future. God has promised to deliver the church from this specific event of wrath to come. Considering the connotation of the word delivered, 1 Thessalonians 1:10 is telling us that we are in a present state of already having been rescued out of, or separated from a specific event of wrath that will come but has not yet come.

The particular promise to the church in Revelation 3:10 is not just about being delivered from wrath. It is about being delivered from a definite time for the whole world during which God will test them that dwell on the earth. Revelation 3:10 once again says (with emphasis added), *I also will keep thee from [out of] **THE HOUR OF TEMPTATION** which shall come upon all the world **TO TRY** them that dwell upon the earth.* When 1 Thessalonians 1:10 and Revelation 3:10 are combined it should be abundantly clear that the church will have no part in the seven year tribulation period that will come upon the whole world.

THE DEFINITE TIME OF TEMPTATION

God speaks of a definite time coming in the future which will be seven years in duration. In Daniel 9:24-27 it is the seventieth week of the seventy weeks that are determined upon Israel. (The same word for week, Strong's # 07620, is used in Genesis 29:27-30 where Jacob is told by Laban he must fulfill Rachel's week if he wants to marry her. This passage tells us that Jacob fulfilled her week by serving Laban seven years. It is from evidence like this that we learn the word week in Daniel chapter nine refers to seventy periods of seven years each, for a total of four hundred and ninety years determined upon Israel. The Messiah is cut off between the sixty ninth and the

seventieth weeks, leaving seven years yet unfulfilled in this prophecy to Israel.)

The mid-point of this seven year period of time is identified as the abomination that makes desolate. Daniel 9:27 explains that in the **midst** of the week [Hebrew word for seven] he [the Antichrist] shall cause the sacrifice to cease and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate (compare Daniel 11:31, 12:11, Matthew 24:15). According to the book of Revelation, Israel will be persecuted following this mid-point for 42 months (Revelation 11:2), or for 1,260 days (Revelation 12:6), or for a time, times, and a half time (Revelation 12:14). Each of these time elements equal three and one half years from the mid-point to the end, verifying that the whole time is seven years.

This definite time of seven years has a definite beginning point. Daniel 9:26 explains that the prince [Antichrist] that shall come...shall confirm the covenant with many for one week [seven]. The event which occasions the making of this covenant is uncertain. But because the covenant is for one week, or seven years, the making of the covenant is clearly the beginning point of the tribulation period.

The temptation of this definite time also has a definite beginning point. John was told to write about three things in Revelation 1:19: *The things which thou hast seen* (compare Revelation 1:12: *And I turned to see...and being turned I saw...*), *the things which are* (compare Revelation chapters 2 and 3 consisting of the letters to the seven churches), and *the things which shall be hereafter* (compare Revelation 4:1: *After this I looked, and behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.* God is very specific in the organizing of His thoughts in His Word. He specified to John that he was to write about three specific things, namely, what he had seen, what was written to the churches, and what was to be hereafter. He then specified to John that everything from chapter 4 verse one and following would be the substance of what was to happen hereafter. Revelation chapters 4 and 5 set up the event in heaven that initiates the temptation upon them that dwell upon the earth. Revelation 5:2 asks, *Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?* Revelation 5:5 answers, *The Lion of the tribe of Judah and the Root of David hath prevailed to open the book and to loose the seven seals thereof.* Revelation 5:6 describes this Lion as *a Lamb as it had*

been slain. Revelation 5:7 describes how he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. The beginning point the hour of temptation which shall come upon all the world to try them that dwell upon the earth is then recorded in Revelation 6:1. This is when the Lion/Lamb who is worthy to open the seals on the book in heaven actually begins to open the seals of this book.

The seals of this book unleash the temptation which is to come upon all the world to try them that dwell upon the earth. In seal one there is conquering (international conflict) (Revelation 6:1-2). In seal two peace is taken from the earth so that people kill one another (Revelation 6:3-4). In seal three there is famine (Revelation 6:5-6). In seal four there is death to one fourth of the earth's population (Revelation 6:7-8). In seal six there are earthquakes, celestial disturbances, and islands being moved out of their places (Revelation 6:12-13). These are the things that will tempt and try men's souls in the beginning of the tribulation period.

Many will fail the test. In Revelation 6:15-16, kings, great men, rich men, chief captains, mighty men, bondmen, and free men, hide themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains, and will say to the mountains and rocks, *Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb.* They recognize that this tribulation is coming from God, but still want to hide from Him.

Many others will pass the test. Seal five explains that many will be martyred for their faith. Revelation 6:9-11 says that souls that will be slain for the word of God and for the testimony they hold.

Why are these martyrs not of the church? First, because the church was promised to be kept from the hour of temptation that would come upon all the world. Second, because there is a distinction between these believers and believers in the church. In Revelation 1:4 John states that he is writing to the seven churches. In Revelation 1:6 he describes how he makes the members of the church to be kings and priests. This is stated again in Revelation 5:9-10. The scene is in heaven and the time is before the seals are opened initiating the temptation on all the world. It is in this setting that this marvelous promise is stated again that the One who redeemed us *has made us unto our God kings and priests.* Later in the book of Revelation, tribulation martyrs are given a similar promise. The promise is similar but not exactly the same. While in the beginning of Revelation the church

is promised to be kings and priests unto God, in the end of Revelation tribulation martyrs are promised only to be priests. (Revelation 20:4-6).


Why the difference between reigning as kings and priests and reigning just as priests? Because the church obtains the status of royalty as the wife of the King (Revelation 19:7). As the wife of Christ, the church will reign as kings and priests. On the other hand, the tribulation martyrs will reign only as priests. Compare this with the promise given to Israel in Exodus 19:6, *And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests and an holy nation.* Israel was not promised to be a kingdom of kings and priests, only a sovereign realm of priests. The tribulation martyrs and Israel both have the same promise – to reign as priests. This is because the seven year tribulation period is the last week of the 70 sevens decreed upon Israel and so the promise to the tribulation martyrs is the same as the promise to Israel, But both of these promises are different from the promise to the church because the church is not included in this specific period of time.

Conclusion

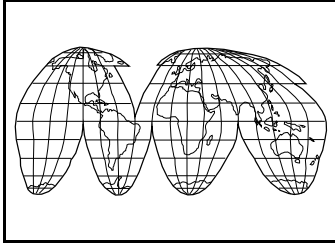
Those that dwell on the earth in the tribulation will be tested right from the beginning. Some will pass and some will fail. Right now, it is not necessary for anyone to endure that test. If you choose now to believe in Christ, you will be in the church at the time of the rapture which God has promised to keep out of that definite period of time in which He will try all them that dwell upon the earth. *For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation* (2Corinthians 6:2).



ELDERS NOTES

The Elders met on Tuesday January 26. Our chairman, Greg Beard, was not able to attend because he is still recovering from major surgery he had on January 18. We were, however, able to include him in some of our discussion by way of speaker phone. We spent time in prayer together. We reviewed the report of the recent Trustees' meeting. We also discussed a few other matters, but there were no motions which required votes. We are grateful to the Lord for His provision and look forward to what He has in store for us in the coming year. 

Missionary News



*From
Around
The World
and
Here at Home*

Child Evangelism Fellowship

York, PA

"My sister is going to the Michael Jackson Club." This clubber's older sister is in middle school. I asked her what she will be doing in this club? "Well, she will learn how to dance and sing like Michael Jackson." One of the schools in which we have a Good News Club had a Harry Potter Club and the children would learn all about Harry Potter.

There are so many clubs today that are competing for the children's attention, and they all want to conform them into various images, except the image of Christ. I am thankful that God has allowed us to teach children, the next generation of leaders, how to be more like Christ.

It was such a blessing when a mother of one of the clubbers told that her son shared the Gospel with another boy on his bus. He used a gospel tool 'Each One Tell One' which we use to train the children in our clubs how to share the Good News.

We would like to be in even more schools and homes. We praise the Lord that a new Good News Club will be started at the Lighthouse Youth Center beginning on January 5. We used to have a club there. I am grateful that we can go back again. Please continue to pray for our Good News Club teachers and helpers as they faithfully prepare and teach the children each week in club.

There are times that we could use substitute helpers to fill in for our regular helpers when they are unable to be at clubs. We are so grateful for our dedicated teachers and helpers and we are also grateful for our faithful prayer partners and donors.

Peter & Rosa Pingol

Spain

We received so many blessings that they are hard to explain in a few lines. But it can be said in just one sentence, "**God did it all!**"

In the Saturday morning Bible Club there is a total of 22 that are now part of the group! Several of the teens are helping with the lessons and crafts. We have a burden to prepare the new generations to serve the Lord among the children.

One evening several members of our church at Castellbisbal were able to help in a meeting at Moia with an excellent program of Bible readings and poems in the Catalan language. The whole group from the Moia ministry came as well as some visitors from the town.

This year when we had the **Children's Program** there were more children than years before, and they invited their parents to come. **Ten unsaved people heard the Gospel** through the songs and verses that the children had memorized. Then I preached the Gospel message. Please pray for those that came.

TAP Ministry

Teacher's Assistant Program
(sending materials overseas)

Letters from the field:

With deep appreciation and full happiness in heart of our Lord Jesus Christ goes to you today for your generosity, cares, and concerns, and specifically your ministry. I have received the box containing books and Christian material which arrived safely to me. The materials are so blessed, rich and very useful.

From Nigeria

Christian greeting! I am deacon and Sunday School teacher of adult department. Our church cannot afford SS materials and references due to insufficiency of funds. Our SS lessons depend largely on the resourcefulness and initiatives of our teachers. It's a sad note for the past two years that

our church was not able to conduct VBS due to unavailability of materials. We have around 200 kids expecting a program every summer and it is frustrating that we fail them for two years.

From the Philippines

Note: We sent SS material for High School, adult and youth; VBS program; tracts; and reference books.

Prayer Requests

Prayer support is an important part of this ministry and we desire that you lift up prayers on behalf of this ministry.

- Pray for wisdom and discernment in handling ministry affairs.
- Pray for the health of all ministry personnel and that volunteer work groups will continue to serve.
- Pray that monthly financial support levels will continue to be met.
- Pray for new doors to be opened for use of our material and especially for the use of children's SS material.

Glenn & Cheryl Hilt

EICM Missionary Pastor, Pennsylvania

Our year went by so fast and was very busy. We have been preaching as interim pastor at Grace Baptist Church in Mount Pleasant Mills, Pennsylvania. We are continuing to fulfill our pulpit and pastoral responsibilities, doing visitations and enjoying the blessing of teaching and preaching the Word of God. **The church is now in the process of calling a Pastor.** When this is accomplished, we will then be following the Lord's leading to the next place of ministry according to His plan and will for our lives.

We have also done some preaching and pulpit supply in other churches, and we are helping with Stonybrook Bible Church, another mission church, as needed.

I am in the process of seeking part-time secular employment. Yet, praise the Lord, He has met all our needs this past year. We thank the Lord for all of our prayer partners and supporters who have been so faithful. The Lord is so good to us.

Military Evangelism

Walt Croom in Jacksonville, North Carolina

I wonder sometimes where time goes. I'm reminded of the words of the Psalmist, **"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom."**

Since my last newsletter we have seen a number of military people come out to the center. We have also had a few to spend the night.

It's been my privilege to meet the new chaplain at Camp Johnson. I gave him a tour of our facility. He pledged his support in helping to get the word out to the military.

It was also our privilege to host a luncheon for the chaplain's wives. We are trying to be available and helpful in any way we can for the glory of God.

Recently I was able to visit two of our supporting churches in New Jersey. They loaded us up with cookies and cakes to bring back to the military folk.

We are so very thankful for the people we have seen come to the Lord and the ministry opportunities God has provided this past year of operation.

Based upon the opportunities we have already had we believe the coming year has even greater promise. We are excited.

Please remember to pray for new opportunities to reach out to the military.

Roger & Nola Perrott

Hong Kong

Please remember to pray for us. We missionaries are having a conference on prayer and strategy planning for the next decade with the leadership from our mission. A lot of decisions are likely to be made about the course of our work in the future, and **hopefully God will move us to greater prayer lives**, so we can have a greater portion of the power of God on our ministries.



Preschoolers

taught by Mrs. Moss

We have finished the series of stories on Moses and the Tabernacle. The children that learned the 10 Commandments along with this series were: Matthew Kanost, Hannah and Rebecca Wertz, Emma Lindstrom, Emma Kay and Luke Laning, Grace Balcom, Ryan Knuth, Hannah Ortiz, Tyler Howett, and Emily Pinto.

We are now doing our lessons on creation. The children did a craft of putting bird seed on a pinecone to hang out for the birds to eat. They can watch the birds come and enjoy their treat and be reminded of all of God's wonderful creation.

Primaries

taught by Mr. and Mrs. Smith

Our class took a great deal of time working on our scripture memorization of Psalm 103:8-15. They did a super job and learned much of it in sign language as well. The following children were able to say the entire passage: Allyson Knuth, Christina Pinto, Carleigh and Jasmine Moss, Caleb Fetrow, Charles Balcom and Ian Morrow.

We learned many new songs the last few months and the children were able to share them with you in their program. We want to commend Ian Morrow for the excellent job that he did. Not only was he able to sign the entire Psalm passage but he was able to sign ALL the SONGS that we did in the program. We were happy to see that he participated through the entire program. Our whole class was present to participate and they did a great job! God is very pleased when we try our best for His glory and praise!

We are still continuing our study on the Life of David.

Juniors

taught by Mr. and Mrs. Cook

As we have begun our study of Samuel, Saul, and David; we are once again reminded that "to obey is better than sacrifice." We saw Samuel's obedience as he responded to the voice of God, and we saw Saul's disobedience as he chose to do things his own way. Our class enjoyed watching a video on David and Goliath, watching an obedient David trust in God to do the "impossible." We are really looking forward to our continuing lessons on David.

We would like to say, "Job well done" to Austin Morrow, Henry Balcom, and Jonathan Kanost for memorizing I Corinthians 13!

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*Note: Pictures of the children and their activities can be seen on our church website. To find the link to the newsletter, open the NHBC home page at [www.northhillsbiblechurch.org](http://www.northhillsbiblechurch.org) and click on the "Resources" link in the navigation menu at the top of the page. The current newsletter is always the first text link at the top of the Resources page, just below the navigation menu. The link says "Current Issue" and is just below the opening paragraph about Rejoicing from the Hills.*  
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Master Clubs

Director - Nathaniel Wertz

The Master Club program is continuing at full speed into the New Year. The kids are having a great time as the learning of Biblical truths and Scripture is combined with fun and exciting games.

Each member of the Ambassadors Group (Grades 4 through 6) is working on multiple badge projects. As part of the Testimony Badge, club members are required to write down their testimony and learn to share it with others by presenting it to various friends and family members, as well as to the entire club. In order to earn the Missionary Badge, a report must be prepared that includes information and pictures about the country a missionary ministers to, the missionary's work, and how we can help our missionaries. This report must also be described in an oral presentation during club.

Please pray for our club leaders as they prepare to teach each week and for our students to learn God's Word and apply it to their lives.

By Matt & Rachelle Krape



Sunday School taught by Mr. Chris Knuth

With the coming of the new year we have begun to study the third year of Christ's earthly ministry. This is where the book of John spends most of its time in regards to Christ's ministry. This leads us into several lessons on the deity of Christ and the different ways that John points this out. This line of study is where we will be putting our focus for most of the rest of the year.

Sunday nights continue to be a fun time but also a learning time as many of the things we do have a Biblical focus. Thank you for the prayers and support. Thanks also to the parents of the teens for all you do to support the program.

Quizzing

by Quiz Coach, Mrs. Moss

We have enough teens in quizzing this year to make 4 teams. The quizzers are finding that the book of Ephesians is a bit challenging at the beginning, but the last couple chapters are more familiar and so will get easier toward the end. Each week they are learning things that are "acceptable unto the Lord." Some of these are how we need to "put off...the old man", "be renewed in the spirit", and "put on the new man." This applies to many areas of our lives - our speech, our anger, our labor, our attitude toward others, etc. May we each grow to be more acceptable unto the Lord in our manner of living.

The last Sunday of January, February, and March competitions have been scheduled with other churches as they challenge each other on their knowledge of Ephesians. This is always a fun time as we meet friends we competed with in other years. It is so encouraging to see so many other teens who have also been studying God's Word.

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See pictures at [www.northhillsbiblechurch.org](http://www.northhillsbiblechurch.org)

## HOMESCHOOL NEWS

Led by Dawn Balcom

In December there were no classes held although the home school group went Christmas caroling at various places. Upon entering Autumn House, our group was invited into the residents lounge to sing with them during their devotional time. What a blessing it is to be serving the Lord.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

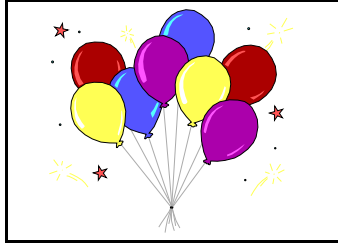
### FEBRUARY

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|----|----------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 4  | - Senior Outing                                          |          |
| 11 | - Homeschool Classes                                     | 9-12 AM  |
| 13 | - Men's Bible Class                                      | 9:00 AM  |
| 15 | - Rescue Mission Service                                 | 8:00 PM  |
| 16 | - Trustees Meeting                                       | 6:30 PM  |
| 17 | - TAP Ministry                                           | 8:00 AM  |
| 20 | - Teens Mystery Dinner                                   | 4 - 9 PM |
| 21 | - Manor Care Service                                     | 1:30 PM  |
| 25 | - Homeschoolers Field Trip<br>To American History Museum |          |
| 27 | - Men's Bible Class                                      | 9:00 AM  |
| 28 | - Teen Quizzing Competition                              | 2 - 4 PM |

### MARCH

|    |                                                 |          |
|----|-------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 4  | - Senior Outing                                 |          |
| 6  | - Ladies Missionary Project                     |          |
| 11 | - Homeschool Classes                            | 9-12 AM  |
| 13 | - Men's Bible Class                             | 9:00 AM  |
| 14 | - Pleasant Acres Service                        | 1:45 PM  |
| 15 | - Rescue Mission Service                        | 8:00 PM  |
| 16 | - Trustees Meeting                              | 6:30 PM  |
| 17 | - TAP Ministry                                  | 8:00 AM  |
| 20 | - Teens Frisbee Frenzy                          | 1 - 5 PM |
| 25 | - Homeschoolers Field Trip<br>To Wolfgang Candy | 9:00 AM  |
| 27 | - Men's Bible Class                             | 9:00 AM  |
| 28 | - Teen Quizzing Competition                     | 2 - 4 PM |

# Church Family News



## Happy Birthday

### February

- 1 - Leanne Hoffman
- 3 - Kimberly Kahler
- 4 - **Joy Baker**
- 4 - Matthew Krape
- 5 - **Andrew Perrott**
- 5 - Tanisha Smith
- 6 - Paul Grove
- 7 - Pat Rudisill
- 9 - Earl Morrow
- 11 - Steve Hildebrand
- 12 - Jonathan Jones
- 13 - Joan Fink
- 13 - Vernon Shields
- 15 - Jacob Frey
- 15 - Glenda Hamme
- 15 - Nathaniel Wertz
- 17 - Pam Morales
- 26 - Andy King
- 27 - Beverly Miller

### March

- 1 - Donald Scotten
- 9 - Samuel Moss
- 10 - Pamela Grove
- 11 - Barry Shelly
- 13 - Jasmine Moss



- 14 - Richard Fetrow Jr.
- 14 - Jonathan Kanost
- 15 - Sonja Breneman
- 15 - Roy Morrow
- 17 - Ruth Warner
- 18 - Pastor Moss
- 18 - Marian Tawney
- 18 - Gary Zimmerman
- 19 - **Peter Pinyol**
- 20 - **Jonathan Perrott**
- 21 - Mildred Hoffman
- 23 - Lydia Fetrow
- 24 - Amy Kanost
- 24 - **Miriam Rocker**
- 25 - Erika Felty
- 27 - Mandy Felty
- 28 - Carlton Morrow
- 30 - Thomas Kahler



## Happy Anniversary

### February

- 3 - **Marc & Judi Blackwell**
- 12 - Ervin & Sue Kornbau

### March

- 4 - Mike & Becky Frey
- 7 - Don & Jeanette Scotten
- 19 - Bill & Doris Knudsen

### Please Note!

The purpose of printing these lists is to give the church family an opportunity to congratulate one another on these special days. The **bold print** indicates a member of our missionary family.



Deep sympathy is extended to Romaine Feltenberger on the death of her sister, Dorothy Vernon, on December 12.

Our sincere sympathy goes to Carolyn Zimmerman on the death of her brother, Paul Jacobs, on December 15.

## Congratulations



Congratulations are extended to Nathaniel and Marietta Wertz in the birth of their daughter Esther Grace. She was born on December 21, weighed 7 pounds 4.9 ounces and was 19 inches long. She joins her siblings - Hannah age 4, Rebecca age 3, and David age 1 ½.

Congratulations are extended to our missionary, Peter and Janis Colon, on the birth of their first grandchild - a little girl, Juliet Christine, born to Abraham and Sarah Cardenas on December 17, 2009. She weighed 6 pounds 11 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Congratulations also go to our missionaries, Marc and Judie Blackwell on the birth of a new grandson, Ruan, born in South Africa to their daughter and son-in-law, Michelle and Deon.

Preschool class doing their pinecone craft.



Blayze



Grace



Hannah W.



Luke



Mason



Matthew



Noah



Austin



Shawn



Emma Kay



Ryan



Hannah O.



Rebecca



## Master Clubs



The opening exercises.



Game time - making their leaders into a human Christmas tree!



Handbook time - Pre K -K ,

1<sup>st</sup> - 3rd,

4<sup>th</sup> - 6th.

# The Homeschool Group

