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Answer to Bible Trivia: B (See Psalm 103:2, ESV.)  
Answer to puzzle: 1) Ararat, 2) Abraham, 3) Sarah, 4) Balaam, 5) canary, 6) Panama, 7) Canada, 8) aardvark, 9) abracadabra, 10) Yamaha



...I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you...2 Timothy 1:6b

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Max Lucado: My Prediction for November 9



We are really ready for this presidential election to be over. We’re ready for an end to the rancor and tackiness. Voters on both sides feel frustrated, even embarrassed by it all. There is a visceral fear, an angst about the result. What if so and so wins? When we wake up to November 9, post-election, when the confetti is swept away and the election is finally over, what will we see?

I have a prediction. I know exactly what November 9 will bring. **Another day of God’s perfect sovereignty!** He will still be in charge. His throne will still be occupied. He will still manage the affairs of the world. Never before has His providence depended on a king, president, or ruler. And it won’t on November 9, 2016. *“The LORD can control a king’s mind as he controls a river; he can direct it as he pleases” (Proverbs 21:1 NCV).*

On one occasion the Lord turned the heart of the King of Assyria so that he aided them in the construction of the Temple. On another occasion, he stirred the heart of Cyrus to release the Jews to return to Jerusalem. Nebuchadnezzar was considered to be the mightiest king of his generation. But God humbled and put him in “detention” for seven years. *“The kingdom is the Lord’s, and He rules over the nations” (Psalms 22:28).*

Understanding God’s sovereignty over the nations opens the door to peace. When we realize that God influences the hearts of all rulers, we can then choose to pray for them rather than fret about them. Rather than wring our hands we bend our knees, we select prayer over despair.

Jeremiah did this. He was the prophet to Israel during one of her darkest periods of rebellion. He was called “the weeping prophet” because he was one. He wept at the condition of the people and the depravity of their faith. He was so distraught that one of his books was entitled Lamentations. But then he considered the work of God. Note the intentionality of his words:

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Special points of interest:

- Praying for the President and Others in Authority
- Glory Sightings: The Children came with joy
- God has blessed Awana!
- Operation Christmas Child
- Office Closings

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*“This I recall to my mind, therefore I have hope. The LORD’s lovingkindnesses indeed never cease, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness. (Lam. 3:21-23)*

Imitate Jeremiah. Lift up your eyes. Dare to believe that good things will happen. Dare to believe that God was speaking to us when he said: *“In everything God works for the good of those who love him” (Romans 8:28).*

Many years ago, I spent a week visiting the interior of Brazil with a long-time missionary pilot. He flew a circuit of remote towns in a small plane that threatened to come undone at the slightest gust of wind. Wilbur and Orville had a sturdier aircraft. I could not get comfortable. I kept thinking that the plane was going to crash in some Brazilian jungle and I’d be gobbled up by piranhas or swallowed by an anaconda.

I kept shifting around, looking down, and gripping my seat. (As if that would help.) Finally, the pilot had had enough of my squirming. He looked at me and shouted over the airplane noise. *“We won’t face anything I can’t handle. You might as well trust me to fly the plane.”*

Is God saying the same to you? If so, make this your prayer:

*Dear Lord,*

*You are perfect. You could not be better than you are. You are self-created. You exist because you choose to exist. You are self-sustaining. No one helps you. No one gives you strength. You are self-governing. Who can question your deeds? Who dares advise you? You are correct. In every way. In every choice. You regret no decision. You have never failed. Never! You cannot fail! You are God! You will accomplish your plan. You are happy. Eternally joyful. Endlessly content.*

*You are the king, supreme ruler, absolute monarch, overlord, and rajah of all history. An arch of your eyebrow and a million angels will pivot and salute. Every throne is a footstool to yours. Every crown is papier—mâché to yours. No limitations, hesitations, questions, second thoughts, or backward glances. You consult no clock. You keep no calendar. You report to no one. You are in charge.*

*And I trust you! Amen!*

Circle November 9 on your calendar and write upon it the words: **Our Good God Rules the World!**

*(Max Lucado is a San Antonio pastor and best-selling author. His latest book is Because of Bethlehem: Love is Born, Hope is Here. www.MaxLucado.com)*

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BETHEL PRAYER LIST

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Carol Borches	Don Wadkins	Bishop Julius Trimble and family
Peg Cussen	Donna Wakeland	District Superintendent, David Neckers and family
Bob Dorsey	Linn Walters	Pastor Brian & Rachel Campbell and family
Diana Halter	Gayle Westfall	Kid’s Kingdom
Opal Herrberg	Linda Wheaton	Awana Clubs
Pastor Jerry & Liz Machgan	Those of our congregation who are job-hunting	
Bonnie Jean Merriman	Families in crisis – financial, health, marriage	
Mike & Arline Miller	Bethel Staff & Volunteers	
Marcia Moore	Bethel Church	
Ray Owen	Bethel Preschool & Bethel Daycare	
Russ Sunday		

Friends of Bethel

Brent Ashby, Rachel Campbell’s brother	Judy Miller, friend of Ron & Phyllis Shappell	Wayne Smith Shappell’s son-in-law
Linda Bir, friend of Bob & Jean Shugert	Jim Overholt, friend of Bob Moore	Caz Strzynski
Ava Bower, child with Leukemia	Koree Neuenschwander, Shugert’s Great-granddaughter	Marscell Sloffer, Charlotte Klerner’s mother
Helen Goonen, Betty Failor’s sister	Larry Reeder, Top Clean	The President and Cabinet (the government)
Julie Harper, friend of Sarah Menefee.	Beth Richardson, friend of Dave & Pat Muncie	Pray for the schools, children, teachers etc.
Richard Johnson, Jenny Lemmon’s father	The Saneta Family	
Ryan & Chole McIntyre, relatives of Betty Failor	Wayne Sauers, Linda Wheaton’s father	

**PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE OF CHANGES THAT NEED TO BE MADE TO THESE LISTS. WE THANK YOU FOR CARING ENOUGH TO PRAY FOR THEM.**

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**Remember those of our church who are  
in healthcare, shut-in or in assisted living:**

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NEED TO BE MADE SUCH AS ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER.**



***Praying for the President and  
Others in Authority***

In 1 Timothy 2:1-2, the Apostle Paul says, “I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— 2 for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.” As we are all very aware, the 2016 Presidential election is on the horizon and more than ever, we need Godly discernment. There are many other important offices up for election as well and most of us realize that we should be interceding for our country’s leaders (elected, appointed, and otherwise), but sometimes we have difficulty knowing what to ask, how to pray.

First of all, in no uncertain terms, the Lord calls us to pray for our leaders. This is because no one person or group of people can change a country or get it back on track. And when we consider how our fellow Americans are suffering because of the downturn of the economy, rising unemployment, the deterioration of family, and escalating conflicts at home and on the world stage, we quickly realize that only Almighty God can truly help us!

Our nation urgently needs our intercession! We do not know what the future holds or who will hold the seats of power throughout the land after November. But we can be confident that the Father hears and honors the prayers of those who love Him and that He is faithful to answer us (James 5:16; 1 Peter 3:12).

Therefore, please pray the President and all other elected and appointed officials would:

1. Realize their positions of authority were obtained either by God’s choice or His permissive will.
2. Recognize their personal inadequacy for the task of governing our country and look to the Lord for the wisdom, knowledge, and courage to succeed.
3. Restore dignity, honor, trustworthiness, and righteousness to the office of the Presidency, to the Senate, the House of Representatives, and to all of our statehouses and local government offices as well.
4. Readily forsake their political careers and personal ambitions if it is necessary to do so for the best interest of the country.
5. Reverse the destructive trends of humanism and atheism—which attempt to dethrone God and deify humanity—because they ultimately result in an ungodly society.
6. Respect, honor, and obey the Constitution of the United States—the protector of our freedoms.

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7. Reject all counsel that weakens our defenses against aggressors or endorses agreements that would do so in the future.
8. Refuse to promote a way of life in which citizens of our nation become increasingly dependent upon the government for their needs, thus surrendering their freedom to prosper.
9. Remember their accountability to almighty God for their attitudes, motives, behaviors, and decisions that affect our nation and our world.
10. Resolve that their terms of service will be dedicated to returning America to its position as first among nations—where people can prosper individually, feel secure, and take pride in their American citizenship, and Almighty God is recognized as the Source of all our blessings.

It is often said, when we fight our battles on our knees in prayer, we win every time. And as we lift our nation up in prayer, I know we can make a difference regardless of how difficult our problems may be because we are taking the burdens of our country to the One who understands the way to true victory through Jesus Christ.

So, please join me in lifting up the United States and all of its leaders to the Lord, confidently knowing He will move on our behalf. Certainly, our loving Father will hear our prayers and heal our land (2 Chronicles 7:14) as we humble ourselves and return always and only to Him. May God bless you all, and may He continue to bless the United States of America!



## Habitat for Humanity Mission Opportunity

### Revised Building Schedule

Habitat for Humanity of Northeast Indiana is building on faith beginning this month in November. The build site is located at 207 E. Mill Street, Angola, Indiana. Framing of the home begins on Saturday, November 19, with 25-30 volunteers needed. Maybe swinging a hammer isn't for you?? There are other ways that you can put your faith and love into action. Volunteer form can be obtained at: [www.hfhnei.org](http://www.hfhnei.org). or for more information please contact Marianne Stanley at 260-925-2508.

## Faith on Friday

If you are in need of a little gal pal time please join the Faith on Friday circle. This group is open to women of any age looking for spiritual uplifting and time to share experiences of faith, family, fun. Please join us for a devotional and fun fellowship time! We hope to see you there!

~Faith on Friday will meet November 17th at 7:00pm.

## JUST FOR FUN!



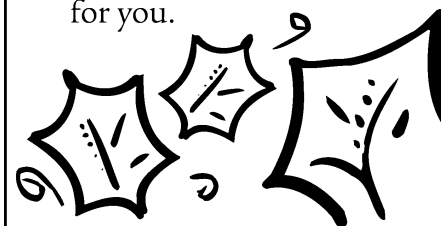
Brighten your dinner table with these festive candle holders.

### What you need:

- An adult's help
- Miniature pumpkins (palm size)
- Tea light candles
- Pencil
- Sharp knife
- Spoon

### What you do:

1. Place a candle on top of each miniature pumpkin and trace around the candle's base.
2. Have an adult cut around the circle.
3. Scoop out the pulp and seeds.
4. Place a candle inside. Keep scooping, if necessary, so the candle sits inside the pumpkin nicely.
5. Decorate your dinner table with the pumpkins. Have an adult light the candles for you.



After you complete the puzzle below you can check your answer at the bottom of page 16.  
Have fun!

## Puzzle!

Use the clues to fill in the blanks.  
The only vowel used is the letter A.

1. The mountain where Noah's ark rested (*Genesis 8:4*)  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_
2. Jacob's grandfather and Ishmael's father (*Genesis 18:1, NIV*)  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_
3. She sometimes laughed inappropriately. (*Genesis 18:12*)  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_
4. He had a talking donkey. (*Numbers 22:28*)  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_
5. This bird is both a color and a species. Did he come from the Islands?  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_
6. This can refer to a hat, canal, country or isthmus.  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_
7. The country with the largest area in the Western Hemisphere  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_
8. This animal is an early entry in the dictionary.  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_
9. A magician's exclamation  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_
10. A brand name for motorcycles and pianos  
\_ \_ \_ \_ \_

## JUST FOR FUN!

### Thankful Hearts

Make table decorations that serve as Thanksgiving conversation-starters.

#### What you need:

- Paper and pencil
- Scissors
- Cloth or felt
- Needle and thread
- Sewing machine (optional)
- Fiber fill, cotton balls or rice
- Adult help

#### What you do:

1. Cut out a heart pattern (any size) on paper. Allow 1/4" for a seam if you'll be using a sewing machine.
2. Cut out material hearts, placing pieces right sides out if sewing by hand and right sides together if using a machine.
3. For hand-sewing, use a running stitch or an overcast stitch. Leave an opening for stuffing.
4. With a machine, sew along a 1/4" seam, allowing a 1" opening so you can turn the heart inside out and insert stuffing. Trim close to seam but don't cut stitching.
5. Fill with stuffing. Sew the opening shut by hand.
6. Put a heart at each place setting. Before dinner, have guests pick theirs up and say why they have a thankful heart.

#### A grateful heart

Thou hast given so much to me,  
Give one thing more — a grateful heart;  
Not thankful when it pleaseth me,  
As if thy blessings had spare days,  
But such a heart whose pulse may be thy praise.

—George Herbert



#### Christian Symbol ~ Keys



A key symbolizes the church's authority to forgive sins in Jesus' name. In Matthew 16:19 (ESV), Jesus says to Peter, who would come to represent the Christian church, "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

#### A cute story!

This Amish man heard this in Lancaster County....

A man once asked God, "What's a million years to you? God said, "A second". Then the man asked God, "What's a million dollars to you?" God said "A penny". The man asked God, "Can you do me a favor?" God said "Sure", so the man asked God, "Can you give me a penny?" David smiled. "God said "Sure, in a second"

#### Bible Trivia Question:

Fill in the blank to complete this verse from a psalm of thanksgiving: "Bless the LORD, O my \_\_\_\_\_, and forget not all his benefits."

- A. people    B. soul  
C. heart      D. children

Check your answers at the bottom of page 16



## Be Encouraged: Notes and Thoughts from Bishop Trimble

### Glory Sightings: The Children came with joy

A few weeks ago, I attended Sunday worship at Carmel UMC where the Rev. Patti Napier preached an excellent sermon, and the music and hospitality were deeply touching. What struck me, though, was when the children were invited to come forth for the children's sermon before departing for Sunday School or the nursery room, they came with joy.

You know how you see things that are familiar, but sometimes we discover something more, or maybe God pronounces something for you to see? When the children came there were so many that a few parents had to come and help oversee the crowd.

Here is what I saw as I worshiped: Children who were loved and being loved by their church and families. Children with untainted views about the goodness of the world and the love of God expressed in Christian community. Children too young and too innocent to be burdened or confused about politics, prejudice, passive or aggressive predictions of the demise of The United Methodist Church. Children who like to smile, play, sing, and just be part of a family where love is not in short ration and children are obviously important.

My wife and I are in the "in-between" stage of life. Where our three children are young adults, and we are eagerly awaiting marriages and the grandchildren that will follow. We believe that children were not born to sit still, but to point us to the glory of God who echoes love throughout the ages as Jesus invites the children to come near and not be hindered.

The decisions we make as the Church and a society should always keep the children in mind. Will this decision we make or actions we take give God glory and bless the children of today and tomorrow?

I wrote this article while in Nashville, Tennessee as I attended the organizing meeting of the United Methodist Division on Ministry With Young People. DMYP is a part of the General Board of Discipleship now known as Discipleship Ministries.

This is one of the most diverse groups of gifted young Christians I have ever met, United Methodist youth and young adults, ages 16 to 30. Young people from all over the world — Austria, Hungary, Philippines, Mozambique, Denmark, Kenya, Sierra Leone, Dominican Republic of Congo, and various regions of the United States. These young people are planning ways to share the love of Jesus and make disciples together as we connect with churches and conferences across the globe.

The church is at its best when we focus on what brings us together and prepares us to share the love of Jesus to a hurting and hungry world.

This gathering was an eye-opening Glory Sighting for me! Youth and young adults with a passion for reaching others for the cause of Christ.

Indiana United Methodists pay attention for Glory Sightings. They are all around us.

"Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples." - 1 Chronicles 16:23-24 (NSRV)

Be encouraged, Bishop Julius Calvin Trimble





# BETHEL AWANA CLUBS

Sep 7, 2016 - May 24, 2017 5:00 - 7:00 PM



## God has blessed Awana with even more kids!

November begins our 3rd month of Awana. As we look back to when we started, we had 26 kids registered before our clubs began. By the end of the first month we had 7 additional kids join us and as of now we've added another 3 to our ranks. Believe it or not, this is pretty typical. We often get new members signing up at various times throughout the year due to word-of-mouth. God does great work through this ministry and through the children and leaders who are part of it. We are currently at full-capacity in most of our classes but are always willing to open a new class if there are willing volunteer leaders. If you're interested, please contact Shelby Naibauer for more information.

## Donation Requests

Thank you for your donations so far!!!

- **Birthday Cookies** (no peanuts, citrus or pumpkin spice, please) - Each month we celebrate with cookies and small prizes. If you are interested in donating cookies for approximately 60 people, there is a sign-up sheet on the Awana bulletin board.
- Magic Erasers
- Disposable plastic table cloths
- 20 Smooth Rocks (about the size of your palm)
- Imitation Leather Cord (for Bracelets)

## Popcorn For Sale

Popcorn for sale in a variety of flavors! Enjoy as an afternoon snack or buy several for your next gathering. Prices are either \$2.00 or \$4.00 depending on the flavor you choose.

## Notecards For Sale

Notecards designed by Bethel's own kids are available in packages of 8 cards for \$6.00.



Shelby Naibauer  
416-0752

## Upcoming Events

### NOVEMBER

- Wednesday, November 2-16—Canned Food Drive
- Wednesday, November 23—NO AWANA CLUBS
- Wednesday, November 30—Theme Night: School Spirit or Favorite Team

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

### DECEMBER

- Wednesday, December 28—NO AWANA CLUBS

[bethelkidsmin@frontier.com](mailto:bethelkidsmin@frontier.com)

<http://www.bethelchurchfw.com/>



## Bethel UMC's Dine to Donate is on break

Due to the up coming holidays and busier schedules we will take a break from any Dine to Donate fundraising nights. We will resume them in January. Thank you for all your support at the previous events. Every little bit counts.



The Church and Daycare offices will be CLOSED in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th. The Preschool offices will be CLOSED on the same days however, they will also be CLOSED on Wednesday, November 23rd as well. All offices will reopen on Monday, November 27th at normal times.



## Daylight Savings Time Ends!

Don't forget to turn your clocks **back** 1 hour before you go to bed on November 5th.

## BETHEL HAPPENINGS...

*Our Men's Prayer Breakfast will be taking a couple of months off and will resume in 2017.*

*Faith on Friday will be held on November 18th at 7pm. See you there!*

## November Meetings

### Thursday, November 3rd

9:30am Church Staff Meeting

### Tuesday, November 8th

7:00pm Finance Meeting

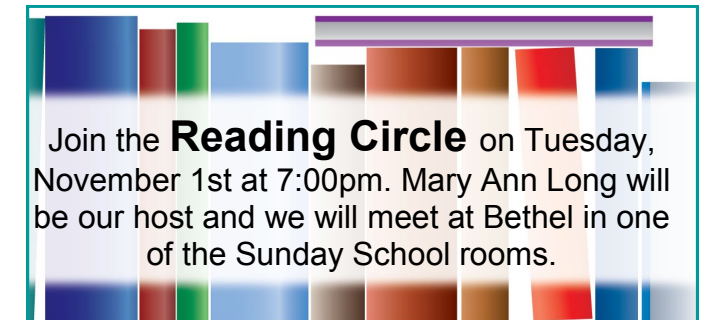
### Tuesday, November 15th

6:00pm Staff Parish Meeting

7:00pm Ad Council Meeting



**Eve Circle** will be held on Thursday, November 17th at 12:30pm. We will meet at Bethel church in one of the Sunday School rooms. See you there!



Join the **Reading Circle** on Tuesday, November 1st at 7:00pm. Mary Ann Long will be our host and we will meet at Bethel in one of the Sunday School rooms.

## General Operating Report - Sept.

	November Greeters
Nov. 6	Michael & Nicole Burt
Nov. 13	Pastor Brian
Nov. 20	Carol Barton
Nov. 27	Cheryl Nicolet

9/01/16 Beginning Balance	-18,526.39
INCOME	17,047.71
EXPENSES	21,012.55
9/30/16 Ending Balance	-22,491.23



## Give up your shelter, Change someone's life

Give up your bed for a night and spend it with us at Praise Park for a small glimpse of what homelessness is like.

Help The Rescue Mission raise funds and awareness by getting sponsored to bring items you'll need for the night, like sleeping bags, blankets, and tents.

Last year we raised more than \$30,000 for The Rescue Mission! **2016 Goal: \$50,000**

To register or give visit: [therescuemission.net/praisepark](http://therescuemission.net/praisepark)

**DATE AND TIME:** Friday, November 11, 2016 - 7 PM to 7AM

For more information on this location, please send an email to:  
[office@stjoemin.com](mailto:office@stjoemin.com)

## THANK YOU's

### ~Dear Bethel Family,

Whether you sent a card, made a contribution to the church, prepared food, gave a hug, shared a story, visited the day of Mom's service, or said a prayer, all were appreciated. All provided comfort; we remain thankful to be part of the Bethel family. In Christ's Love from the family of Erna G. Troth

~**Thank you** to all who graciously prepared food for the last funeral dinners we served at Bethel. This is an important mission as it gives families time to laugh, grieve, share and heal together. If you would be willing to help with this mission, or have questions please give Peg Cussen a call. It involves making a salad or dessert once in a while.

~**Thanks** to all who have continued praying for me as my new joints heal. Thought this would all be behind me by now but still working on it. (Patience) I have very little. God has been trying to teach me this for a long time. I appreciate your thoughts and prayers and hope it will soon be over. Peg Cussen

~**A BIG THANKYOU** to all those that helped to make the Fall Festival a success!!! Congratulations to our Bethel Chili Champ Phyllis Strom and our Corn hole winners Sarah and David Davidson. We hope to continue this event annually so if you missed this year we hope to see you next year!! Happy Fall Ya'll!!!

### ~To Our Awesome BUMC Family,

On behalf of your BUMC staff and clergy family, Rachel and I would like to say *"Thank You, So Very Much"* for the wonderful luncheon and for all of the cards, gifts, prayers, love, and support you all have given us! We are so blessed to be in ministry with you as we serve the Lord together! Blessings to each and every one of you!

## BETHEL CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

### Ministry Mission Project

Our Children's program would like to give the children of the church an opportunity give to those in need. Therefore in November we will be collecting nonperishable food items. All items collected will be donated to the Food Bank to assist with providing meals for upcoming holiday dinners. We hope this will be an opportunity for our kids to gain an appreciation for the blessings that they have as well as serve to others through giving.

*And do not forget to do good and share with others, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Hebrews 13:16*

Items to consider: Boxed potatoes, jell-o, pasta noodles and boxed pasta sides, rice, cake/brownie/muffin/pancake mixes, stuffing, cereal, gravy (mixes or jars), canned veggies, sauces, beans.

### Up-Coming Christmas Events

Christmas is an exciting time of year for our Children's Ministry Program as we celebrate the birth of Jesus!! Our program is looking forward to offering these special activities to reinforce the meaning of Christmas with our kids:

**Operation Christmas Child-** will be starting in November. We will again have boxes and instructions available at the church. Any questions contact Traci King or the church office.

**Christmas Performance-** during the month of November our Sunday School classes will be combined in order to practice for our Christmas Performance on December 18th during the worship service. Please mark your calendars for this special event!

**Birthday Celebration for Jesus-** The children's 8:45 Sunday school classes will not be held on Sunday Dec 25th. However the kids will still enjoy a birthday celebration for Jesus party during Kids Kingdom!!!

Any questions related to Christmas activities please contact Traci King.



### Sunday School Join Us!!

Sunday School:  
~8:45am - 9:45am

Kids Kingdom:  
~during worship  
service  
~combined age class

### Nov. Sunday School Leaders

Nov. 6 - Tom & Danielle  
Nov. 13 - Kathryn &  
Traci

Sunday School classes will be combined in November in order to practice for our Christmas performance on December 18th.

### Nov. Birthdays

11/19 Ian Swanson  
11/24 Maybel Walker  
11/25 Shelby Burt  
11/29 Preston Swanson  
11/30 Sasha Naibauer



# BETHEL SUNDAY SCHOOL

## A Look Into What's Coming In October For Sunday School



### Christian Home Builders-(Room S6)- Leader-Don Cross

The purposes of these lessons are: (1) To live in the light of Revelation's promise of the renewal of all creation (2) To embrace the hope expressed in the vision of the New Jerusalem (3) To recognize that God's gift of abundant life is a present and future gift (4) To exalt Christ as the alpha and omega of God's creation. Questions we will answer: (1) Do we believe creation is being renewed in Christ? (2) How can we demonstrate that we are the Christian hope? (3) Will we be the bearer of Christ's unending gift? (4) Do we see holiness as the end and fulfillment of our lives? As these questions are answered, we will be overflowing with joy in Christ's holiness fulfilled and perfected in us! "The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all" (Revelation 22:21).

#### Unit 3 Alpha and Omega

November 6	Everything Is Brand New	Revelation 21:1-8
November 13	I See a New Jerusalem	Revelation 21:9-27
November 20	Life and Healing	Revelation 22:1-7
November 27	Alpha and Omega	Revelation 22:8-21

### Seekers of the Covenant (Room S5)- Leader- Jeff Cusick

Have you ever wondered where in the Bible all those great biblical sayings we grew up hearing are? Have you ever wondered if they are really there? Well, it just so happens that some of them aren't. The Seekers have just started a new series called Half Truths - God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say. This series is developed by Pastor Adam Hamilton and runs 5 weeks. Each week we study a different saying. While these sayings capture some element of truth, when compared to the wisdom contained in scripture, they are really just popular sayings. Please join us each Sunday as we enjoy what Pastor Hamilton has to say and how it applies to our lives.

### Koinonia (Room S7) Leader-Shared leadership between members

The Koinonia class took a detour in October and studied the chapter titled Angels in Systematic Theology. Once we wrap that study up, we will resume our study of Angels by Dr. David Jeremiah. Topics for November are:

- 1) Who is the greatest angel or "the angel of the LORD?"
- 2) Angels show us how to worship God wholeheartedly, continually, and with great reverence for his awesome holiness and love.
- 3) Angels show us how to be faithful in our work by instantly obeying God with great fervor.
- 4) At death, angels carry believers home to heaven.
- 5) The devil and the fallen angels
- 6) The angels and their relationship with Jesus.

### Friends and Followers - (Fellowship Hall) Leader-Barb Cross

Quoting from Jesus Calling by Sarah Young "Even well-meaning friends can lead you astray if you let them usurp My place in your life. The way to stay on the path of Life is to keep your focus on Me. Awareness of My Presence is your best protection." We are looking at our perfect example, Jesus Christ, and His words as we begin discussing Repentance and Baptism. All are welcomed in Christian love and grace!

# BETHEL DAYCARE & PRESCHOOL

## 2017 Calendars For Sale

Preschool now has their order form for 2017 calendars up in the fellowship hall. Calendars are \$6 each. We will be placing an order for them in December.

## Scrip Card Program

Don't forget to use Scrip gift card program for all your Christmas needs! There are different percentages for each gift card, and we share half that profit with you. This profit is given to you in the form of a credit to your Preschool or Daycare account so the more you buy the larger the credit becomes! We have lots and lots of gift cards to choose from. Just send your order form in or email it to [bethelpreschool@frontier.com](mailto:bethelpreschool@frontier.com) and send a check or cash when you drop off or pick up your child. If we don't have it on hand, we will have it ordered. Those orders are placed on Monday and come in on Wednesday. There is also more to choose from online at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com).

## Food Drive

For the whole month of November, the Preschool & Daycare will be taking food donations for Community Harvest. Please help us by bringing in canned or boxed food.

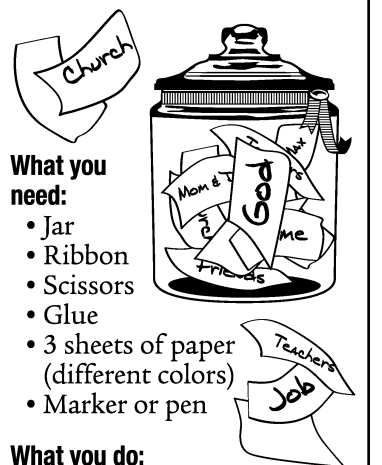
## Here is a list of upcoming events:

Book Fair	Nov 1 – 11
Parent/Teacher Conference	Nov 10 & 11
MWF AM Field Trip	Nov 14
T/TH All Day Field Trip	Nov 15
M – F PM Field Trip	Nov 16
T/TH AM Field Trip	Nov 17
MWF All Day Field Trip	Nov 18
Thanksgiving Break	Nov 23 – 25
T/TH All Day Field Trip	Dec 1
MWF All Day Field Trip	Dec 2



## BLESSINGS JAR

Thanksgiving reminds us of our many gifts from God. Count your blessings all month long with this craft.



#### What you do:

1. Measure and cut enough ribbon to wrap around the jar's neck, below the lid. Glue in place and let dry.
2. Fold each piece of paper in half three times, resulting in eight rectangles per sheet. Cut along the fold lines, and you'll have 24 rectangles.
3. Each day in November until Thanksgiving, write down one blessing from God. Then place that blessing in the jar.
4. On Thanksgiving, open the jar and read all your blessings to your family and friends.

## Sept. Scrip Report:

Total Sold	\$3,384.00
Parent %	\$27.73
School %	\$90.90