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**Making Disciples
of All Nations**

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Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Pastor John Freeland & family due to the death of his mother, Faye Freeland on Tuesday, October 26. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers



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**ARTICLES FOR
DECEMBER SKYWRITER
DUE NOVEMBER 14**



Prayer Walk
Tuesday, November 2
We meet at 6:00pm in front of the chapel - Rain or Shine!



SKYWRITER

SkyCamp by: Andy Hammer

I was thinking a few weeks ago about all the children that Skyland has ministered to over the past few years. I started counting the ones I could remember, and I think we've ministered to around 100 children just since I began as the Children's Pastor. Most of the children we minister to move away within one year, and almost all have moved away within two years. The families we minister to never stay put for too long, but despite the movement, God is always giving us new children to lead to the Lord, and our harvest is ripe several times a year. Still, we miss the children who have moved.

It is because of this movement of families that I believe God has called Skyland to begin an intense summer program this coming summer, so we can do a greater work in the children around Skyland. We're calling it SkyCamp and it will be four hours a day, five days a week and six weeks long. It will run Monday - Friday from June 13 to July 22 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm. During this time we can intensely *disciple* children. Jesus told us to make disciples, and given the typically short time we have to disciple the children I think we can and should do more.

Every child that comes to SkyCamp will receive 120 hours of discipleship and quality time from caring Christian adults. For most of the children this means 120 less hours on the street where they dodge cars and make up their own rules. To put it in perspective, it took me 120 hours to get my bachelors degree. My goal in both the children's ministry and the youth ministry is that each child's or youth's Christianity would survive leaving Skyland. This is not a low expectation, but high one that demands resources, lots of work and ample trust in God.

Our needs for this camp will be many. We need to hire three interns, we need an array of volunteers for once a week activities, and we need Sunday Schools and Small Groups to occasionally run fun activities for the children. That is just the human aspect of it. We need to raise \$4500 dollars to pay our interns and finance the camp. And we need God to move, and God is waiting on our prayers.

Because of our needs, I am asking you to pray and fast (at least for one meal). We need a move of God at camp. I hope you will decide to support this with your time and money, so I have to remind you that Skyland cannot suffer the loss of your tithes or the loss of work in other ministries for SkyCamp to happen. This will need to be above and beyond our normal gifts and normal labors. So please consider how and what you can support SkyCamp. Thank you for all that you do for the children God has given us! - Andy Hammer

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Everyone is invited to join us for the United Methodist Men's Annual Family Dinner/Chili Cook-off on Saturday, November 6 at 6:00pm in the dining area. The taste testing will begin at 5:45pm. There is no charge, however reservations are necessary. Please call John Holt or Bob Norman by November 3. Soup, salad, cornbread and dessert will be provided.



The Young Adults will celebrate Thanksgiving by having a "Happy Fakesgiving" potluck dinner hosted by Brian and Amy Medford. We are meeting on **Saturday, November 13 at 6:00pm**. The address is 847 Rowland Street, Clarkston. (There is good parking at the daycare center across the street.) The Medford's will provide the turkey. Guys are asked to bring either rolls or dessert, and drinks to share. Ladies, please bring a vegetable/side dish. Please bring friends and RSVP to Kristen Wages at (404)323-7221.



Everyone is invited to join us for our Thanksgiving Dinner on November 17 at 6pm in the dining area. We look forward to seeing you at that time. In order to prepare enough food we are requesting that you call the church office to make reservations if you are not already on the Permanent List. Thank you for your cooperation. - Barbara Snipes, Kitchen Coordinator

Night Light Mission Night

"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned." - Isaiah 9:2

Please join us on November 17 from 7 - 8pm in the Fellowship for Night Light Mission Night. Night Light works internationally and locally to fight sex trafficking, an industry that is claiming the lives of millions of women and children. Courtney Furlong will speak about Night Light's ministry to these individuals and how they're offering God's hope and light to *those living in the land of the shadow of death*. Jewelry made by formerly exploited women will be available for purchase to support Night Light's ministry.

Weekly Attendance

Date	Small Groups	10am Service	11am Service
9/19	72	53	74
9/26	75	50	74
10/3	64	49	62
10/10	77	48	71
10/17	80	54	66

Offerings

Date	Mile of Pennies	General Funds	Designated Funds
9/19	23.00	6,550.00	931.00
9/26	17.20	6,143.10	100.00
10/3	8.25	7,117.00	50.00
10/10	10.20	6,670.45	925.01
10/17	10.20	6,927.17	685.82

Designated Funds

Missions	300.00
Youth Ministry	611.00
Children's Home	120.00
Hester Memorial (Helen's father)	50.00
Property Maintenance	51.12
Flowers	50.00
Yard Sale	792.71
Good Samaritan	35.00
Choir	10.00
Postage	10.00
S.U.M.C.E.L.	15.00
Children's Home Work Day	25.00
Chastains Mission Night	622.00



Please join us for our Annual "Hanging of the Greens" service on November 21 at 6pm in the sanctuary as we share some of the traditional symbols and meanings of the Advent Season through decorations, songs and readings. If anyone is able to assist with the preliminary set up, please meet in the sanctuary at 4:00pm.



Sundays in Advent

- 11/28 - First Sunday
- 12/5 - Second Sunday
- 12/12 - Third Sunday
- 12/19 - Fourth Sunday



Annual Toy Give Away

We're at it again! We need toys to bless the neighborhood children this Christmas and need your help collecting them! Toys should be new and unwrapped and priced around \$10. We will give the toys away after the Christmas Play and we need a wide selection of boy and girl toys for ages newborn to 5th grade. Please bring your donations to the collection box located in the narthex. Thank you for your support.