

2009



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newsletter

Randy's Reflection

“I can do
everything
through Him
who gives me
strength.”

Philippians 4:13

Paul recorded those inspired words and they are just as true now as they were when the ink was still wet on the parchment. Christ still gives us his strength to do his work. As our year is now well underway, I have been looking back at our Mission 2810: Reaching our part of the Great Commission (Mathew **28**) by 2010. We have 23 months to go and we have accomplished many things we set out to do back in 2005.

We prayed through this whole process that these plans would be God-guided and He has been faithful. God has accomplished some wonderful things in our congregation over the past four years. We knew that some tasks were going to be difficult to achieve when we saw them on paper the first time in 2005. Now looking back, we have accomplished some amazing things that God's hand had to provide.

We have made updates to our audio in order to improve the spoken (and sung) word. We have added Multimedia projection to engage our minds deeper into God's story of redemption. We are plugging more of you and your God-given talents into the service and ministry. I recently realized that four of our current deacons were not even members of our congregation in May of 2005, when we began Mission 2810. I know that more than a few of you joined with me in praying for men that would be willing to lead and God made it happen.

We have expanded our ministry to reach the Hispanics in our area (19.7% of Haltom City's population). In the Sunday afternoon Hispanic service, there have already been 3 baptisms in the past 5 weeks. We are continuing to expand our Encouragement /Solutions ministry by ministering through visitation, lay counseling, Pastoral counseling and Thursday Night Solutions. I would have never believed we would have an opportunity to reach over 50 children in our area on a public school campus four years ago, but we do in our Good News Club.

Many times we want to count our success as a church on the numbers alone, but that is only part of the equation. According to scripture (1 Corinthians 3:5-9), we plant the seed and we can water it but only God can make it grow. Numerical growth is linked to our scientific way of thinking. We cannot measure scientifically the spiritual growth of an individual; we only can observe it as we disciple someone one-on-one. These are just a few of the things that we have been able to accomplish as God opens the doors. We are going to keep planting, we are going to keep watering and God will cause the growth. What an exciting time we are seeing as God leads His people to minister in our part of the world.

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Youth Luncheon Fundraiser

February 1st, the Youth are planning a Fundraising Luncheon for everyone after church! Be prepared to enjoy a nice meal all the while helping the Youth be able to participate in activities that broaden and enrich their relationship with each other and with God.

Youth Ice Skating

On February 8th, the Youth will go ice skating together

W.I.N.G.S. Meeting February 16 7:00 p.m.

Master's Men Meeting February 23 7:00 p.m.

CCLW MEN'S RETREAT

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DRAGON SLAYERS



CCLW presents

“The Dragon Slayer”

Led by John Hendee, this will be one of the best retreats we have attended at Christian Camp of the Living Word. Register today for only \$55. See Randy for registration forms.

“Dragon presents himself in our lives as anything, anyone, a desire or attitude that controls, dominates, uses, enslaves, entraps, or destroys me, my relationship with God and/or others.” For more info go to the website: www.cclw-texas.com

Church Cleaning

One of the new things that HCCC is embarking upon in 2009, is to put together a Cleaning Team for the care-taking of our church. Our Hispanic group is delighted to join us in this labor of love and stewardship and in so doing will limit our cleaning time. Our team will be responsible for cleaning the week of January 26 - 31, then again on February 23 - 28. Cody Elliott, Robert Labelle and Randy Grosenbach will be coordinating the schedule. Please be aware of the current services and activities schedule posted on the back of this newsletter for appropriate times to clean.

Valentine's Day Dinner

On Valentine's Day at 6:30 p.m., come and enjoy a special dinner with either your sweetheart, family member or just a good friend, celebrating the gift of love or friendship God has given to you. This will be a nice, catered sit-down dinner, sponsored by W.I.N.G.S. This event is open to everyone, even if you don't call anyone sweetheart! If you have need of child care, please indicate so on your reservation. Tickets on sale now in the overflow area!

Prayer Concerns

Cancer Millie Benavente, James Collins, Dwayne Davis, Richard Everitt, 4 yr. old Reagan, 6 yr. old Gracie, Florence Grassmuck, Reg Griffin, Jim Hatten, Debbie Jones, Cheri Keyhoe, Beth Leeck, Linda Madden, Mariam Pasimio, Gina Rollins, Billy Seals, Stephanie Smith, Sue Wells, Larry Wilshire, Doug Young

General Health Ruth Ann Brock (Mary Downs' sis-in-law), Dean and Harland Cary, Lela Cauthon (Marlene's mom), Nith Chounchantharat, Jeannetta Collins and her son, Jay, Cal Donaghe, Eli Douglas, Colleen Elliott, Robert Fulton, Christine Hodge, Jo Kemp, Carroll Kennedy, Wendy Labelle, Joe Leadabrand, Emmett Lopez, Arthur and Marie Maddox, Sarah Null, Jerrie Reynolds, Cecil and Nita Rollins, Sao Chounchantharat (Pang's mother), Tom Snider, Dylan Whitten, Kristi Wright, Bobbie Zaborac

Other Biles' grandchildren, Marc Gordy, David Mackey, Snider family, Military, Ngatzu family, our country's leaders

Spiritual Mission 2810, Hispanic Ministry

Missionaries Christian Camp of the Living Word; Church Growth Ministries. Colegio Biblico; Cornerstone Assistance Network; Dallas Christian College; MBC Ministries; Mid-Cities Pregnancy Center; Rawang Christian Mission

Church Leadership Randy Grosenbach, Patrice Morrison, Rob Courtney, Dr. Alan Pickering, Rogelio Lira, J. W. Downs, Jay Leeck, Mike Morrison, Jim Hatten, Robert Labelle, Pungram Ngatzu, Tom Snider, Allen Wright, Cody Elliott, Don Olday, George Jones

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Mike and Patrice Morrison February 11

Roy and Candy Wederbrook February 14

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mary Phillips February 7

David Macky February 9

Troy Snider February 12

Sherry Grosenbach February 13

David Booth February 15

Bradley Kolkman February 16

David Chestnut February 19

Fermur Keith February 23

Debbi Jones February 28



THANK YOU FOR CHRISTMAS!

Following is a portion of the handwritten, artwork-laden letter (see bulletin board) we received from a family that we were blessed to help at Christmas:

"I'd like to thank you all for the incredible blessing you've been to my family. The look on my children's faces after you all dropped off gifts and food was absolutely priceless. In a crazy world full of struggles, you give hope and faith. In a stressful time for my family, you've brought great happiness with your warm hearts and sincere faith. I can't thank you enough and you will be in our thoughts and prayers always."

OUR MISSION

To communicate God's Word
Matthew 28:18 - 20

OUR VISION

To provide for the spiritual, physical, emotional and social needs of our community by training the Haltom City Christian Church family through Bible study, song, fellowship and teaching, that they may dedicate themselves to carrying the Word of Christ to all they meet.



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Youth Minister: Rob Courtney

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Tom Snider, Pungram Ngatzu, Allen

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PASTORAL COUNSELING

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Dr. F. Alan Pickering, M.A. MFT, M. Div., D. Min.

WORSHIP SERVICE & ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 1:30 p.m. Hispanic Worship Service
- 4:30 p.m. Puppeteers for Jesus (PJ's)
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Choir and Drama
- 6:30 p.m. T.R.U.T.H. (grades 6-12)
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Choir

MONDAY

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
- 3:15 p.m. Good News Club

WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 p.m. Home Bible Study Groups
- 7:30 p.m. Hispanic Bible Study