

Our Weekly Newsletter

Our Church Family

February 5, 2012



◆ Sheila De Vries spent three days last week in the hospital having another surgery and more transfusions. She's home now but very weak.

◆ Agnes Boerfyn is now residing at Bethany Home Room 206 A.

◆ Vonnie Van Dyken's mother, Gladys Haveman, fell and broke her hip last week and sustained successful surgery.

◆ Pray for those fighting cancer: Jake Kamper, Sheri Hoekman-Teach, Carole Wissink, Roger Neth and others.

◆ Pray for comfort and healing in the lives of those in our congregation who mourn or struggle with chronic pain and health issues.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

2/5 Abigail Elgersma, Ryan Sullivan

2/6 Ty Beidleman, Briana De Vries, Ginny Roos

2/7 Deanna Den Ouden, Joshua Douma

2/8 Kaylie Colyn

2/9 Jim Colyn, Faith Moret

2/11 Barbara Villanueva

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:

2/6/1967 Irvin & Judy Baker

2/7/1964 Tony & Bea Fernandes

Calendar - Week of February 5

Today

8:30 am Morning Worship Service

9:45 am Church School

9:45 am Choir

11:00 am Morning Worship Service

6:00 pm Evening Worship Service

Monday

6:30 pm Cadets**

7:00 pm Chimes

Tuesday

7:00 pm Music & Worship Comm.

Wednesday

7:00 am Elder's Prayer

8:30 am Morning Seekers

9:45 am Mary/Martha

7:00 pm Journey**

7:00 pm Building & Grounds

Thursday

9:30 am Coffee Break/Story Hour

7:00 pm Evening Coffee Break

7:00 pm Full Council

7:00 pm Praise Team

Saturday

7:15 am Men's Bible Study

**Additional information in the bulletin

IN CASE OF NEED: In the event of an illness or death, contact Elder Ralph Roos (599-2862). Elderly and shut-ins, Wayne Riffie (543-8025). Other assistance contact Deacon Gordon Vander Veen (614-1211 cell) or contact the church office (599-6163). Helping Hands for the month of February is Alice den Dulk (599-4421).



Brent & Pam Van
Zwaluwenburg
764 S. Highland Dr.
Ripon, CA 95366

CADETS will meet tomorrow night at 6:30 pm in the Ministry Center.

JR/SR SUNDAY SCHOOL meets today at 9:45 in the Youth Room.



JOURNEY will meet at 7 this Wednesday night for small groups.

Our Council (Elders & Deacons)**OFFERINGS THIS WEEK**

AM - Ripon Christian (CEP) & Missions

PM - Family Promise

NEXT WEEK

AM - General Fund: Children's Worship

PM - Seafarers

Gen Fund YTD Budget as of 1/29//11:

\$389,645.33

Gen Fund YTD Rec'd as of 1/29/11:

\$361,881.99

FAMILY VISITING SCHEDULE

this week

Tuesday, February 7

9:30 am Diane Brown

10:15 am Celia Moret

7:00 pm Jeff & Linda Rys

8:00 pm Harold & Judy Groetsema

*If you are not able to meet at the scheduled time, please notify the church office (599-6163).

Our Ministries

BOOK CLUB will meet Tuesday, February 14 at 7:00 pm. The book for discussion is "Peace Like A River"

by Leis Enger. An extra book is available in the church office.

COLLECTIONS IN THE LOBBY: Interfaith Ministry, Haven of Peace & Stockton Gospel Center & Care Package Items for America's Heroes. A list of suggested items to donate is on the mailboxes. In the Nursery, the Modesto Pregnancy Center "Diaper Pail" is available for donations of formula, diapers or other baby items.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Melanie Mendes and Karrie Terpsma have been the coordinators for Children's Worship for several years and would like to bring on a new duo of willing ser-

vants. Qualifications would be a love for God and a desire to provide a time and place for children to worship. All other details are easily learned. Please talk to Melanie, Karrie or Geri Witt if you would like to know more.



Coffee Break Service Project of Love

The Coffee Break groups are planning a service project on Feb. 9 to share our Christian love with those who may not feel loved this Valentine's Day. For the past couple of years, we have asked for your help and have been delighted by your generous response to our request. We are planning to prepare a gift bag for each of the women and children at the Haven of Peace in French Camp and the school age children at Mary Graham Children's Shelter in Lathrop. This gift bag will be given to them on Valentine's Day.

We will be assembling these bags on the morning of February 9. Following is a list of some of things that we would use to stuff our "love bags". Some new or gently used gift bags suitable for a special day (not Christmas or birthday) for women, teens, and children can also be used.

- a. A special lotion, shampoo, or body wash of normal size, male and female
- b. Trial size body care products
- c. Sponges, washcloths, or towels of nice quality
- d. Generic beauty supplies, male and female
- e. An assortment of children's toys, books, games suitable for boys and/or girls, pens, pencils
- f. An assortment of books suitable for boys and/or girls, especially teens
- g. CDs, CD players or other music items, especially for the teens
- h. Small stuffed animals
- i. Socks, underwear
- j. Devotional books for women, teens, or children. We always run short of things for the teenagers.

We are hoping that the people of Immanuel will again open their hearts to the needs of these special people. Donations will be accepted and can be placed in a labeled box under the small table located near the mailboxes until Wednesday, February 8. Thank you in advance for helping make it possible for us to fulfill the command of Jesus given to us in Matthew 25:40, "whatsoever you did for the least of these, you did for me."

Questions? Call Church Office
599-6163



"AN ENCOUNTER": Prayer Seminar by Dr. Terry Teykl, Saturday, February 11 from 9:00 am-2:30 pm (includes lunch) at 1st CRC in Ripon. Cost is \$25 at the door. If you have not registered, call 599-3225 to make your lunch reservation.

"FORGIVEN AND SET FREE", a Bible Study for women who are experiencing post-traumatic stress symptoms due to a past abortion, will begin in March at the Modesto Pregnancy Center. This study is free and confidential. For information call 526-1734 and ask for Rose.

RIPON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL is starting to plan for the 2012-2013 school year and would like to pre-register any new families with children starting kindergarten through 12th grade next fall. You will find an admission application and pastoral recommendation on the information table in your church, or you may get one from the elementary office. Once we receive your application and completed pastoral recommendation, the admissions office will send you additional paperwork to complete. Kindergarten Beginner's Day (an opportunity for your child to get the "feel" of school) is being scheduled for April 19 and 20. Should you have any questions, please contact Pam in the elementary office at 599-2155, ext. 205.

GOLDEN BEAR CADET COUNCIL PINWOOD RACES AND SPAGHETTI DINNER: Saturday, February 11 at Ripon Christian High School. Dinner is served from 5:00 to 7:00 pm in the Student Center, racing starts at 6:30 in the gym. Come join us for an evening of good food and good racing.

Dinner cost is by donation, all excess monies raised by the Golden Bear Council go to help defray travel expense for Cadets and Counselors attending the International Camporees.

CRWRC NAME CHANGE DISCUSSION: For 50 years, CRWRC has been responding on your behalf to situations of poverty, disaster, and injustice around the world. Thank you for your devoted support. As we look forward to the future, CRWRC is considering changing its name to better communicate who we are and what we do. This is not something that we undertake lightly. We want to make sure our new name continues to reflect you and the ministry you want to do through us. To weigh in on the proposed new name, logo, tagline, and color options, please visit www.crwrc.org/proposedname. If you would prefer to talk to someone over the phone, please call 1-800-552-7972.