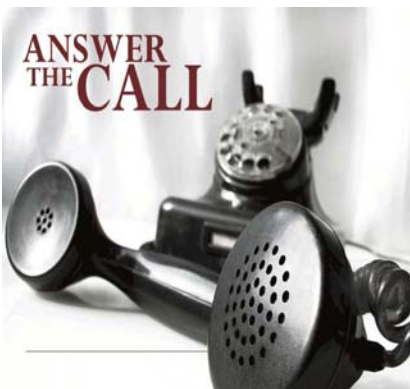


# Center Community Church

# The Vision

JANUARY, 2011

## UPCOMING SERMON SERIES



Jan. 2 “Answer the Call to Be Free”

Jan. 9 “Answer the Call to ‘Come’ Out of Darkness”

Jan. 16 “Answer the Call to Family”

Jan. 23 “Answer the Call to Faithfulness”

Jan. 30 “Answer the Call to Holiness”

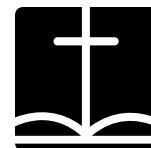
Feb. 6 “Answer the Call to Be More Than We Are”

## YOUTH SUNDAY—January 30th

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT

MEALS & CLASSES  
BEGIN

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**DID YOU KNOW**  
*That You Can Donate Ink Cartridges to the Church Office for Recycling?*



**DID YOU KNOW**  
*That You Can Donate Bibles to the Christian Support Center?*



**DID YOU KNOW**  
*That You Can Donate to the Building Fund by Putting Money in the Special Jar?*

**DID YOU KNOW**  
*That You Can Donate Stamps from Family Christian Stores to Help Purchase Teaching Materials?*

## From Roger

### Are you Prepared for 2011?

A couple from Minneapolis decided to go to Florida for a long weekend to thaw out during one particularly icy winter. Because both had jobs, they had difficulty coordinating their travel schedules. It was decided that the husband would fly to Florida on a Thursday, and his wife would follow him the next day. Upon arriving as planned, the husband checked into the hotel. There he decided to open his laptop and send his wife an e-mail back in Minneapolis. However, he accidentally left off one letter in her address and sent the e-mail without realizing his error.

In Houston, a widow had just returned from her husband's funeral. He was a minister of many years who had been 'called home to glory' following a heart attack. The widow checked her e-mail, expecting messages from relatives and friends. Upon reading the first message, she fainted and fell to the floor. The widow's son rushed into the room, found his mother on the floor, and saw the computer screen which read:

To: My Loving Wife

From: Your Departed Husband

Subject: I've Arrived!

I've just arrived and have checked in. I see that everything has been prepared for your arrival tomorrow. Looking forward to seeing you then! Hope your journey is as uneventful as mine was. (P.S. Sure is hot down here!)

I am not a prophet of God with direct revelation of future events. However, when it comes to 2011, this I know for sure—There will be changes, some good, some bad. The IRS will be expecting their share on April 15<sup>th</sup>. I will not be approached to be a swim suit model. But 2011 is here and with it will come opportunities to make eternal differences in the lives of people.

The Bible says in 1 Peter 3:15: “...*Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. ...*” Will the economy get better? Will the unemployment rate go down? Will some of our membership take their commitment to faith more seriously? I don't know the answer to these questions. I do know, however, that for many, Jesus is the answer. So let's approach 2011 prepared to make the most of it for the sake of the kingdom of God.

## Dear Church Family,

Happy New Year! I hope this year brings you good will and success.

Normally, there is a lot of stress this time of year involving the holidays such as paying for the gifts and anxiety over our future. As Christians, we do not have to worry about that since we know that our future is safe and secure. We know that Heaven is in our future and that great times are ahead.

In John 3:16 it states: “For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life”. This is a very precious gift and beats any Christmas gifts we received this past Christmas. The knowledge and understanding of the sacrifice God gave to us is a motivation for the rest of this year and the next. Knowing that He is watching over us every second of the day is a blessing!

Charley Harlan for Ministry & Council

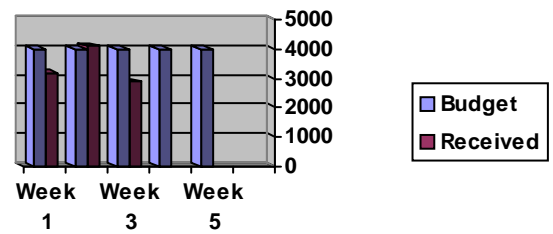


## **WEATHER CLOSING INFORMATION**

**Watch Channel 8 or 13 to find information for Center Community Church**

## Stewardship

	S.S.	A.M.	General Fund
11/28	48	119	\$3,199.00
12/05	47	115	\$4,083.00
12/12	56	135	\$2,868.00



**Building Fund to date        \$77,223.14**

## FROM THE MISSION MINISTRY

### **MID INDIA CHRISTIAN MISSION**

Can you imagine what it would be like if you knew that by attending Center Community Church you could be constantly harassed, threatened and possibly even beaten up? We are so fortunate here in America that at times it can be easy to forget that there are areas in this world that to worship Jesus Christ can put you under these constant threats. But thank God Almighty, there are missionaries that brave these circumstances to bring new souls to Jesus Christ, and there are new converts to Christianity that accept these risks in order to have eternal life with their Lord and Savior.

The Mid India Christian Mission is one of the 12 Missions that Center Community Church supports through prayer and financial assistance. The mission was started in 1969 by the late Dr. Vigai Lall. Its mission is to take the Word of God to all the corners of India. It caters not just to one area and continues to mushroom to bring all of India into the “shade of Jesus Christ”.

Their mission involves the construction and administration of schools, hospitals and churches. This year they are in the process of building a Church in Kumba, Mandia district in the State of Madhya Pradesh. In Kewtadebni they have purchased land to build another place of worship.

In all that they do to bring people to Christ, they are constantly under physical attack, harassment and persecution by Muslims and Hindus with little protection or sympathy by the police. With all these hindrances their mission continues to grow and bring new souls to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. They have a newsletter that Vivert Lall sends regularly from [vivertlall@hotmail.com](mailto:vivertlall@hotmail.com) that quarterly updates what they have accomplished. It tells what they are doing to advance the Word of the Lord in a region of the world where Christianity is a minority belief.

Let’s continue to keep this Ministry in our prayers and be thankful for those who the Lord has blessed to perform His Great Commission (Matthew 28:18). *Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”*

*Ray Henderson  
For the Mission Ministry*



## Congratulations

To  
Jason and Morgan Williams  
on the birth of their son, Pierce,  
on December 1st.

### **CWF**

(Christian Women's Fellowship)  
will meet on Mon., Jan. 10th.

All ladies are invited to Bingo Night at 7 p.m.  
Come and enjoy a night of fellowship  
with other Center ladies.

### **The Fruit of the Spirit Cookbook**

CWF's new cookbooks have arrived and are  
selling for \$7 each or 3 for \$20.

### 2010 Giving Statements

Anyone who wants a Giving Statement should sign the  
sheet on the table by the office door.

## Prayer Concerns

### Church members with health concerns:

<i>Dollie Allen</i>	<i>Bill Armand</i>	<i>Joyce Bennett</i>
<i>Dale Best</i>	<i>Jerry Boles</i>	<i>Ida Cunningham</i>
<i>Rosie Dillon</i>	<i>Linda Eckert</i>	<i>Lois Eller</i>
<i>Doris Elston</i>	<i>Mary Lou Etter</i>	<i>Billy Hines</i>
<i>Tim Krebs</i>	<i>Ruth Lovell</i>	<i>Gordon McCormick</i>
<i>Denise Mejean</i>	<i>Glenn Newby</i>	<i>Dean Pappas</i>
<i>Phyllis Peasley</i>	<i>Don &amp; Gail Perkinson</i>	<i>Tom &amp; Geri Shepherd</i>
<i>Nancy Smith</i>	<i>Jon Taylor</i>	
<i>Rosalie &amp; Allan Van Blaricum</i>		<i>Carolyn Wallace</i>

### Family and Friends

*Tom Goedl, cancer*  
*Kathy Rayl for salvation & health*  
*Chris Steckler*

### Requested by

*Bob & Barbara Goedl*  
*Ruthie Rayl*  
*Stephani Steckler*

### Service men and women:

*Richard Dillon, Nat'l Guard*  
*Zach Elston, Air Force*  
*Matthew Ewig, Air Force*  
*Steven Goode, Army*  
*Michael McDowell, Nat'l Guard*  
*Wayne McWhorter, Nat'l Guard*  
*Stephen Mejean, Army*  
*Brian Rayl, Nat'l Guard*  
*Steve Rayl, Nat'l Guard Reserves*  
*Eric Smith, Navy*  
*Joe Villarreal, Marines*  
*Jeff Walling, Nat'l Guard*  
*K.C. White*

### Requested by

*Rosie Dillon*  
*Chuck & Doris Elston*  
*Clyde & Jane Fields*  
*Pat Adams*  
*Toni Belcher*  
*McWhorters & Taylors*  
*Dave & Denise Mejean*  
*Ruthie Rayl*  
*Ruthie Rayl*  
*Monty & Terri Cook*  
*Sharon Davis*  
*Martha Walling*  
*Stephen Mejean*

If there are others you would like to have included, contact the P.R. Ministry.  
(Barbara Goedl, 839-8123)

## BUILDING FUND GIFT

### In Memory Of...

Eugene & Marian Dawes by Dennis & Yao-Hsin  
Dawes, Deveen Dawes, and Christian & Lauren Dawes.

### Thank You

To all my church family,  
I thank you for your thoughts, prayers and beautiful cards  
sent to me at the loss of my sister, Faye Wainscott, from  
cancer. Her spirit is with God now, no pain or worries.  
Thank you for being a caring Christian family. God Bless!  
—Virginia (Ginny) Jones

### Primary Sunday School November Attendance

Becca Elston attended all 4 weeks. Andrew Williams &  
Rylie Williams both came for 3 Sundays, and Anna Elston  
and Delaney Fields joined us for 2 weeks. Jimmy Walling  
and Naomi Walling came 1 week. Children ages 4 through  
Grade 1 are welcome to join us and learn more about Jesus.  
—Teachers: Allen & Denyse Thorpe

### 150 Anniversary All Church Picture

If you are interested in a copy of the picture taken on  
10-10-10, copies are available for purchase. An 8x10 is  
\$2.50 and an 11x14 is \$5.00. There is a sign-up sheet at  
the church or you may contact the church office by phone  
or e-mail to order a copy. Contact Denyse Thorpe if you  
have questions.

### NEW ADDRESS

**Raymond Hays, Sugar Grove Senior Living, Room 435,  
4900 S. County Road 600 East, Plainfield, IN 46168.**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**GOLDEN FELLOWSHIP - January 5th at 11:30 a.m.**  
**GAME NIGHT - Friday, January 28th at 6:30 p.m.**  
**ALL CHURCH VALENTINE BANQUET - February 11th**  
**COOKIE WALK - Sunday, February 13th**  
**QUARTERLY MEETING - Sunday, February 20th**



### **Mike's Express Carwash Tickets**

See Jason Williams or Denyse Thorpe if you'd  
like to purchase some at \$8 per ticket.  
The entire amount will go into the Youth Fund!

### **SAVE THOSE CANS!!!**

Ask your neighbors.... Ask at your  
work place... or ???

Aluminum cans mean extra dollars for  
the Building Fund. Bring them when you  
have a large bag full and put them outside the kitchen  
door. (Aluminum foil & pans work too.)





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*In response to God's love for us, as expressed in His Word and by  
Jesus' example  
we at Center Community Church commit ourselves to:*

- \* Seek and save the lost*
- \* Strengthen the saved*
- \* Send disciples into ministry*

*For the glory of God and His kingdom.*

	Jan. 2	Jan. 9	Jan. 16	Jan. 23	Jan. 30
Service Leader	D. Moran	D. Moran	D. Moran	D. Moran	Youth Sunday
Pianist	C. Hines	C. & C. Mitchell	C. Lane	C. & C. Mitchell	C. Hines
Special Music	Skit	Abby Moran	D. Thorpe	Jessica Elston	Youth
Communion Meditation	C. Mitchell	C. Harlan	T. Belcher	D. Moran	Youth
<u>CHILDREN'S CHURCH</u>					
Teacher	J. Williams	C. Harlan	J. McWhorter	C. Harlan	J. Williams
Toddlers	J. Mitchener	J. Mitchener	J. Mitchener	J. Mitchener	J. Mitchener
Nursery	Arranged by Jera Foggin				

***Don't ever question the value of volunteers.  
Noah's Ark was built by volunteers; the Titanic was built by professionals.***

***Sunday School 9:00 a.m***

***Worship 10:10 a.m.***

***Wednesday Meal 6:00 p.m.***

***Classes for all ages 6:30 p.m.***

***(Meal and Classes begin Jan. 12, 2011)***

# Youth Ministry Newsletter

If you're like most people, you just can't help it. Something about the newness of the New Year makes you want to get a new start and start all over again. And this is how New Year's resolutions came about. I'll lose weight, get in shape, stop smoking, start exercising, save money, save the whales, and maybe even save the planet in an Al Gore sort of way! My personal favorite resolution is this: Before I criticize a man, I walk a mile in his shoes. That way, if he gets angry, he's a mile away and barefoot. But then January 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> rolls around, and the noble things we resolved to do at the New Year's Eve party get taken out with all the rest of the garbage from that night. Then the guilt sets in for a bit, but not for too long, because everybody else we know broke their promises as well. You know what the problem is? Our resolutions are focused on things too small. Oh I know you might be thinking the opposite - like the things we promise end up being too difficult, and so we give up - right? But think about it, are they really that hard? Let's see - I want to lose weight...I got it! I'll eat less and work out more! Brilliant! Or how about exercise? Well, you could walk around the block, get a Nintendo Wii and play tennis, or just buy a ferret and let him loose in the house. See what I mean? Easy stuff here folks. So easy that deep down we're not really challenged, so we give up and stay in our happy little ruts. So I have a New Year's resolution for you that is challenging, life changing, and one that will not only transform you, but it will impact the world around you as well. In fact, I don't dare you to take this one, I triple dog dare you! It comes from the Apostle Paul, and it forms the cornerstone of the entire Christian life: "Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." (1 Corinthians 10:31) In other words (to paraphrase The Police), every breath you take, every move you make, make God look good in your corner of the world. That's what doing everything to God's 'glory' means. The word 'glory' here refers to the shining presence of Christ - so it means that your choices either let the light of Jesus out, or it hides it in a cloud of sin. It means that everyone who knows you're a Christian is watching you and forming an opinion about God based on the way you act, because your everyday choices are painting a picture of God that is on display for all the world to see. So what sort of picture of God is on the wall of your life? If your primary motive each day is to think and act in a way that pleases God, that picture will be attractive and beautiful to look at. But...if your life is no different than people who don't know Christ, that picture will be fake and even laughable. With this New Year upon us, we have an amazing opportunity to glorify God in everything we do. How? Well - if you're serious about this, the Holy Spirit will give you plenty of input, but here are a few ideas to help your life paint an accurate picture of God: Put others first, Ask others to help you avoid and resist temptation, Realize that you don't have to disobey God, Be filled with the Spirit, Tell others about how they can have eternal life through Christ, Pray all the time, Study the Bible to get a picture of how God wants you to live, Treat others the way you would want to be treated, Think about how your decisions impact God's name and fame, And so on - and so on - I think you're probably getting the idea. Bottom line: live each moment with the thought that Jesus is right beside you...because, in fact, He is. And that's really the key to making 2011 the year that will make God's name great!

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Youth  
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Check out  
the Youth  
Website.

# Children's Church Calendar For January 2011

January 2nd

Taught by Jason Williams

January 9th

Taught by Charley Harlan

January 16th

Taught by Jamie McWhorter

January 23rd

Taught by Charley Harlan

January 30th

Taught by Jason Williams

## Upcoming Events



Christ In Youth's Superstart for 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders, will be happening, February 4th, and 5th. We will stay close, maybe even at the church for the night. The cost is \$50.00 per person plus money for food. For more information please talk to Jason. You need to be signed up by the 1st Sunday in January.



Christ in Youth's Jr. High believe for 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders, will at Anderson University, April 15, and 16th. You need to be signed up by the first Sunday in February . The cost is \$60.00, plus money for meals.