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Come to know . . .
Come to love . . .
Come to serve . . .

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GROUND HOG BREAKFAST

On the **Evening of February 2nd**, we will be having a pancake & sausage meal from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome! Please invite your family, friends and neighbors to come and share with us. It is open to the whole community.

If you can help with this meal please let Charlie Stomm, Greg Vogel, Milan Towers or Deloyd Kemarly know. Help is needed...

WCS Meeting

Our next WCS meeting will be February 14th at the church at 7 p.m. All ladies are invited to join us. Hostesses for this meeting is Connie Allomong and Carol Martin. Devotions will be presented by Connie Towers.

Building Project Fund

If you would like to contribute money to the construction projects, please place your check in the offering and mark the memo area construction projects.



Heart Sunday Meal

February 10th is our Heart Sunday Pot Luck Meal. It will be held right after our worship service on this day. Invite your Friends and Families to join us for a great meal and fellowship.

Pantry Shower for the Jones Family



We are planning to have a pantry shower for the Jones Family, We thought possibly on Heart Sunday, but not sure at this time. Day & Time will be announced soon. Everyone will be invited to attend.

A Message from Our Minister – Jeremy Jones

As many of you know I got a job at UPS, to help cover the bills until we could move the twins. I work 3rd shift, which requires me to start work as early as 1:00am. During these late-night drives to work I listen to radio to help keep me awake. In between the music and commercials, they put on a quick devotional thought from a preacher that supports the station. The other night I heard this devotional thought that really got me thinking. The preacher (unfortunately I cannot remember the preacher's name) gave this illustration:

“A couple was having a get together at their house one evening. They collected their guests' coats, put them in the spare bedroom and began entertaining their guests. After some time had passed someone had mentioned that the hosts' baby was awfully good as no one had heard a sound from him. This made the parents begin to wonder, ‘that is strange that they had not heard anything from the infant. The mother decided to go and check on the infant. Upon going into the baby's room, she found to her horror that baby was not in there. A frantic search began to find the missing baby. A few minutes had passed and someone decided to search the guest room, where all the coats had been laid. Upon looking among the coats, to the relief of the parents, there lay the infant safe and asleep.”

The question was then asked, and I ask you now, “Can people see Jesus in you or do they simply know that you claim to be Christian, but cannot find any real evidence that is He real at all? You see the guests in the story knew that the host couple claimed to have a child, but they had no evidence that the child even existed. And the parents knew they had a child, but they had him hidden and had forgotten all about him. It wasn't until their guests made mention of their claim of having a baby that the parents took any thought of their child and began frantically looking for him.

Are we the same? Do we speak of Christ as excitedly as we talk about our favorite sports team or favorite show? Do we pray to God only when we are desperate or in need of something? Does Christ consume everything that you are? If your co-workers were asked, would they say you reflect Jesus? How about your neighbors? Your family? How about your spouse, your children? Where does Jesus rate in the priority of your life? **Matthew 10:32 – 33** warns, *“Therefore everyone who confesses me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven. ³³But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven.”*

Let us spend this week examine our lives, seek God and ask the question, “Where do you stand in my life, Jesus?” If we earnestly and honestly seek Him He will answer, guide, forgive and restore.