



November 20, 2008

WFMCC Weekly

Simple Abundance!

Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else.

...1Thessalonians 5:15

Dear Friends

If only we could all take this scripture to heart and follow it in our daily lives. We have so much abundance in our lives, as well as in the life of this church. Let's take time this week to thank God for all that has been given to us, and let's share our abundance with those in need as the holidays approach. Remember we are partnering with Patsy's House to provide Thanksgiving dinners for needy families, so sign up at church Sunday to help out. Hope to see you Sunday!

This from Pastor Mary.....

"Ironically, gratitude's most powerful mysteries are often revealed when we are struggling in the midst of personal turmoil. When we stumble in the darkness, rage in anger, hurl faith across the room, abandon, all hope. While we cry ourselves to sleep, gratitude waits patiently to console and reassure us." Sarah Ban Breathnach

I pray each of you has found a new hope, even in the midst of life's struggles, by keeping a journal of gratitude. The journal writing itself is not meant to be a burden and is not the cure-all for life's pains...it's just a way to encourage you to notice. You don't even have to write anything down...you simply need to take time each day to find your own thanksgiving. Try to continue up through Thanksgiving Day to think of something each and every day that you can give thanks to God for. I pray

your eyes are opened and your hearts are expanded to receive blessing from this exercise so that you may be relieved of some of life's more difficult times. Here's some newfound thanksgivings you may have discovered: The kindness of strangers; feeling the presence of Spirit in your life; not having to cook dinner one night; daydreams; breakfast in bed; acceptance after struggle; holding your child in your arms; your desire for knowledge; watching the sunset; meeting a kindred spirit; holding hands; a nap; the sacred release of a good cry; the loyal companionship of pets; finding a parking space exactly when you need one; moving on; being able to trust another human being; perfect timing; a miracle; the moment you're able to distinguish between your needs and your wants.....grace, peace, love, joy, and hope to you all! Pastor Mary

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If your birthday is in November and isn't listed here, please send the info to me at

racketwarrior@sbcglobal.net

- Neil Goerz 11/1
- Wendi Mull 11/10
- Dwight Marcus 11/11
- Georgeana Latham 11/20
- Debby Johnson 11/23
- Laura Nix 11/23

1. Board of Trustees Meeting

There will be a Board of Trustees Meeting this Sunday, November 23 following service. It is an open meeting, and everyone is encouraged to attend so that you can see how the day to day business of our church is handled.

2. WFMCC and Patsy's House

WFMCC will partner with Patsy's House to provide Thanksgiving dinners to at least four families this year. Some people have already signed up to provide turkeys and all the fixins'. If you would like to be a part of this project, send me an email at racketwarrior@sbcglobal.net. Next Sunday will be the deadline for getting all the food in, so let me know if you are interested.

3. Deck the Halls

Join us Saturday, December 6 as we get together to decorate the sanctuary. The festivities begin at 6:30, and there will be lots of fellowship

Jessica Walker 11/25

as well as hot chocolate and goodies.

4. Christmas Cantata

Mark your calendars for December 14 at 6:30 pm. That's the date for this year's Christmas Cantata. So make plans to be here and be inspired by our wonderful Voices In Praise choir, as they sing in the Christmas season.

5. Thanksgivings and Prayer Requests

Add your Thanksgivings and Prayers Requests to the Prayer Book in the foyer at church or email them to racketwarrior@sbcglobal.net.

Thanksgivings for... joy and peace; Cara accepted into nursing school; another day of life; Mary Cantrell and her wonderful messages.

Prayers for ... Cookie's mom's surgery; Wendi's mother who fractured her ankle in 3 places, and her long recovery; equality; simplicity and joy; travel mercies and safety for my brother; Rev Teresa Mallott;

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