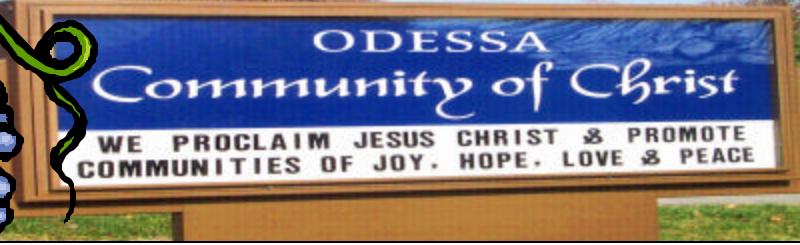


# The Newsleaf



December 2006

## COMING EVENTS

Sunday, Dec. 3rd  
8:45 AM

**Family Prayer Service**

12:00 PM  
Sunday, Dec. 10th  
**Potluck Dinner**

Sunday, Dec. 17th  
11 AM

**Junior Church & Pre-school Worship**



Sunday, December 24th,  
11:00 AM

**Christmas Play**  
"All You Need Is A Willing Heart"

## Christmas Play

*"All You Need Is A Willing Heart"*

Sunday  
December 24th, 11:00 AM

*Directed by: Sarah Watson & Jenny Kramer*  
*Watch the bulletin for play practice schedule*

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*Apostle Dale Luffman will be teaching a class on "The Witness of Preaching", January 20, 2007. To register, contact Mary at the Mission Center Office, 888-747-0439. You will need to purchase your book "The Witness of Preaching", Second Edition by Thomas G. Long and have read the book before class. Sue Mills will have a copy of the book on display at her Christmas Book Fair*

**BUDGET**\_\_\_ *We have approved our new 2007 Budget for the new year and are doing a great job of supporting and offering both physically and spiritually, strengthening us as a team as we reach out into the future growth of the church and his cause. We look forward to many new and exciting days ahead!*

**BOOK FAIR**\_\_\_ *Sue Mills will be presenting a Book Fair the 2nd and 3rd Sundays in December. Take advantage of this display of a great variety of Christian books to enhance your library while stimulating you and your family's reading pleasure.*

**PURCHASING THE HERALD?**—*Please pay for your new issues of the Herald as well as all other book purchasing, from our Financial Officer, Eric Cutshall, as the new purchasing system is in place. Cost of the Herald is \$24.00.*

**Women** had a fantastic time at sleep over this past month at Pauline's! What a wonderful mix of ladies! Young and the young at heart, a really fun group! Beads and creating for the Craft Fair with Pam Hart, Parafin Spa with Karen Dyer, Learning to Relax and Skin Care, shared by Jenny Kramer AND our PJ Fashion Show a scream! Prizes for the winners were definitely a tough job for our judges, Jenny Anthony and Stephanie Meirarend, to say the least!

Dennis crashed the party with breakfast and a "happy birthday"!

Busy schedules among our ladies found some coming for part or all evening but fun and laughter were enjoyed throughout for all. But you know, the best of it all was really sharing and drawing close to both new and even longtime friends, in new meaningful ways. Truly a ministry we women found uplifting and supportive to our group!

Join Us Next Time Ladies! You won't want to miss our next meeting! Not December since Craft Fair and all but January check it out! 2nd Tuesday! January 9th!

**CHRISTMAS WISH** For Kids  
 Junior Church  
 Peacemakers Y.O.U.  
 In Club

## Classes

"Pre-baptismal Classes"

**Temple School Classes:**

- "Intro to Scripture"
  - "Intro to Ministry"
  - "Ministry of Presence"
  - "Elder"
- (Check your interests)

I am interested in these classes:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### Priesthood Visit

What is a priesthood visit anyway? Want to find out?

If you wish to have a visit with your priesthood, let one of the pastorate (Bruce Watson, Tracy Dyer & Pauline Watson) know by filling in this form and turning it in.

Sometimes it is good to have a relaxed conversation with your family about faith and commitment in the Lord. This is one way to take time out and talk of your Heavenly Father with someone who has been called to service and wants to serve.

Name, address & phone#

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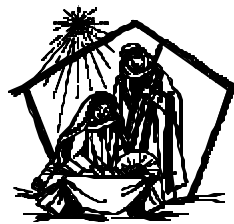


## RESPONSE

*Suitcase Ministry goes to Outreach International helping children all over the world. Our Pitcher Ministry is for our local Adopted Family At Christmas. What an AWESOME response from everyone! Thank you!*

### The Annual Temple Advent worship service

will be broadcast live via the Internet on Sunday, December 10, at 7:00 p.m. CST. Attend the service at the Temple in Independence, Missouri, or worship with others from around the world via your computer by tuning in to [www.CofChrist.org](http://www.CofChrist.org) for the live webcast. Hear the Advent message, "Speak the Hope," based on the first chapter of the Gospel of Luke, and celebrate its meaning in song and word. The bulletin will be posted prior to the service.



## December Birthdays!

01- Jennifer Anthony  
 06- Gary Ramsey  
 08- Donn Quick  
 09- Shelly Frank  
 09- Amber Hallier  
 13- Cynthia Horne  
 15- Shane Solst  
 23- Adam Zeih  
 24- Joshua Sowerwine  
 26- Clara Frank

28- Billie Jo Banas  
 29- Morgan Dierk  
 30- Henry Lee Grubb  
 30- Quintin Mackey  
 30- Bob Williams



(Youth Onward & Upward)  
 Meet each Sunday night  
 at 5:30 PM

**ATTENTION JR/SR HIGHS**

Jenny & Jeff Kramer are asking that those of you who are wanting to take part in the mission trip June 16-23rd tell them within the next weeks. They will need a firm commitment from the Y.O.U.'s before they open it up to the rest of the Mission Center Senior Highs. Junior Highs from Odessa only will be allowed to go. There are only a limited number of spaces available. For more information, see Jenny or Jeff.

The Odessa Community of Christ youth Onward and Upward (Y.O.U) will be attending the movie "The Nativity" at the Higginsville Davis Theatre on Sunday, December 3 at 1:10 p.m. Please make plans to join us! The cost is \$4.50 We can car-pool from church!! Please spread the word...it would be great to see the theatre full!!!

**YOUNG LEADERS 4 CHRIST**

December 9 -- next meeting for 7th and 8th graders (call the Mission Center Office, 888-747-0439 for approval of younger or older youth)

**NEW YEAR'S EVE LOCK-IN**

For Jr/Sr Highs at the Warrensburg Church  
 7 pm to 9 pm No Cost

**Central Mission Youth Rally  
 in Independence**

January 24-27  
 Watch for details coming soon

2007 Family Camp, will be June 22-26. Start making plans with your friends to be there!

**2007 Camp Dates:**

Sr. High Camp—June 30--July 5th, Camp Far Westa  
 Jr. High Camp—July 9-13, Camp Far Westa  
 Junior Camp—July 16-19, Camp Palestine  
 Children's Camp—July 16-19, Camp Palestine  
 Spectacular—July 22-28, Graceland University

**NEW EQUIPMENT**

The congregation has purchased a new Video Projector enhancing our ministries to those needs of our congregation as we endeavor to bring ministry and outreach to the larger whole. Our "announcements and reflections" are just one of the ways we have already been using our new projector.

We have purchased several much needed light weight round tables as well as a couple of rectangular tables this month. Hopefully to be in place prior to our Craft Fair.

Carpets have been cleaned and we ask for your cooperation in keeping our church home clean.

Shelves have been purchased for the newly designated "storage room" in the lower level north-west corner room. These shelves are deep metal shelves, keeping all our supplies off the floor where items have been gathering moisture, and the visible ease in finding those items greatly improved. Thanks guys for working so hard installing and loading shelves!

**FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT\_\_\_\_\_**

Choir singing Sunday, December 17th and Sunday, Dec.24th. Our music department is



creating and offering ministry in some really new and exciting ways. WAIT AND SEE! Watch your bulletin!

**ANSWERED PRAYER\_\_** We have had many on our Prayer List the past few weeks and it's so uplifting to see and hear of the many blessings received. Thanks to each one of you for your prayers! Truly, the Lord hears and answers prayer!

\_\_\_\_ Newsletter deadline 20th of each month \_\_\_\_  
 Pauline Watson, 816-633-3250 or email dpwatson30@comcast.net



# Community of Christ

515 S. First Street  
Odessa, MO 64076

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### Sunday:

- 9:30 AM Breakfast Gathering
- 9:45 AM Sunday School Classes
- 10:45 AM Song Service
- 11:00 AM Worship Service
- 5:30 PM Youth Meeting
- 5:30 PM Peacemakers Club
- 7:00 PM Choir Practice

### 1st Sunday of the Month:

- 8:45 AM Family Prayer Service
- 9:30 AM Sunday School Worship
- 9:45 AM Sunday School Classes

### Wednesday:

- 5:30 PM In-Club for teens
- 7:00 PM Prayer Service

Pastor: Bruce Watson 816-230-8813

### Mission Statement -

*"We proclaim Jesus Christ and promote  
Communities of Joy, Hope, Love and  
Peace"*



**Craft Fair**  
Saturday, December 2nd  
8 am—3 pm

**BAKE SALE & CRAFTS GALORE!**  
Breakfast & Lunch  
7:30 am-2 pm

It's A Day Worth Sharing!  
**THE BEST ONE EVER!**

For Additional info call 816-633-4553  
Or 816-633-8133

## CHRISTMAS ONE-DAY Bible School

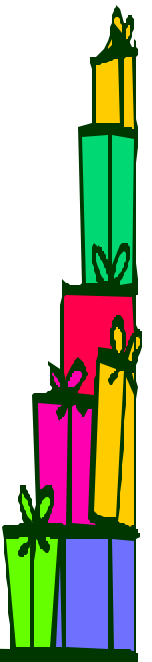
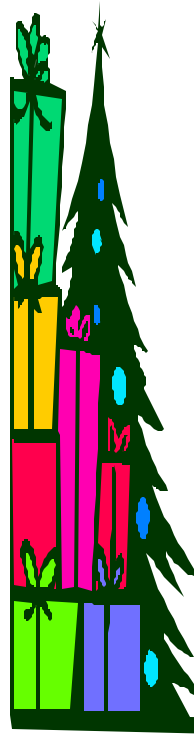
Saturday  
December 9th  
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

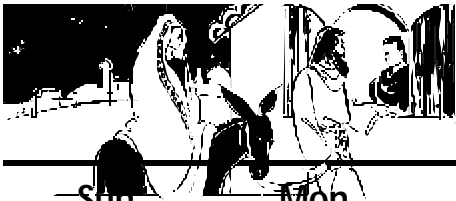
Ages 3 yrs thru  
5th grade

Lunch will be served for  
everyone!

We need lots of help!!

Volunteer to Jenny Kramer  
at  
660-584-2297 or  
cell 660-909-2477





# December 2006

Odessa Community of Christ

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Craft Fair 8 am-3 pm
3 <i>1st Sunday of Advent</i> 8:45 am Prayer Ser  5:30 pm Y.O.U. & Peacemakers 7 pm Choir Practice	4	5	6  7 pm Prayer Service	7	8	9 Christmas Bible School 9 am—3 pm
10 12 pm Potluck  5:30 pm Y.O.U. & Peacemakers 7 pm Choir Practice	11  7 pm OHS Band Concert 7:30 pm HHS Band Concert	12  7 pm Women's Mtg	13  7 pm Prayer Service	14	15	16
17 11 am Junior Church  5:30 pm Y.O.U. & Peacemakers 7 pm Choir Practice	18	19	20  7 pm Prayer Service	21	22	23
24 11 AM Christmas Play  5:30 pm Y.O.U. & Peacemakers	25 <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26	27  7 pm Family Nite	28	29	30
Odessa Early Release & Christmas Vacation Begins						
Odessa & Higginsville Christmas Vacation						
31  5:30 pm Y.O.U. & Peacemakers 7 pm Choir Practice						

