

The Newsleaf



January 2007

8:45 AM

Sunday, Jan. 7th

Family Prayer Service

Sunday, Jan. 14th

Potluck Dinner

12:00 pm

Fletcher Family Hosts

Monday, Jan. 15th

WOMEN'S MEETING

7pm

Priesthood Dinner/ Worship

Jan. 20th 6 pm

Wednesday, Jan. 31st.

Family Night

6:30 pm

Thursday, Jan. 11th, 7 pm

Building Committee Meeting

FEATURE OF THE MONTH . . .

Junior Church and Pre-school Hour 11:00 AM 3rd Sundays!

Junior Church for the K through 6th graders will be held on the second Sunday of this month, Jan. 14, 2007, due to Sheets/Meierends being out of town on the third Sunday. We shall once again have refreshments, story, and activity. Hope to see you all there in the double classroom.

Ilene Sheets

Preschooler Church

Guylene and Melissa Lindsey have kept our preschoolers very busy over the holidays making and sharing gifts for others and learning Bible stories of Jesus and his great love for each of them. One Sunday a month made especially for children's worship. We are truly blessed to have such dedicated and loving leaders to share with our children in Junior Church and Preschool Church hour.

COME! Bring your children and share in the love of Jesus as taught with loving, caring leaders each 3rd Sunday of the month at 11:00 am.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR CHILDREN to experience and participate in church services just for kids!

Outreach

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Education

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Spiritual Growth

NEW ARRIVAL__ Welcome to Jaelynn Debrah Kem, 5 lb. 5 oz. baby girl, born to her proud parents, Jeff and Valerie Kem, on January 4th, 2007. Jaelynn joins 2 big brothers to love and guide her and we too, friends and family, offer our congratulations and best wishes for this happy little family.

Women's Meeting will be held on Monday, 1-15-06, 7:00 pm, at Pauline Watson's home. Ilene Sheets will provide refreshments. We will have a short business meeting and have our annual White Elephant Exchange for Christmas. Bring anything you are tired of looking at or would like to see someone else inherit it. There will be a door prize and Pauline has agreed to share the infamous PJ Womens' over night video with us. Should be a fun evening! Please come. Ilene Sheets, Women's Leader

BAPTISMAL CLASS__continues each Sunday morning during regular Sunday School Class time. Please contact Bruce Watson if you are interested in joining the class.

1-DAY VBS WONDERFUL! So neat to have been a part of this event! What can we say! We ALL had a wonderful experience together as leaders, teachers, participants, we felt such strength and a closeness with our God at our side as we shared this Christmas Saturday with the kids! Jenny, thanks for asking us to help!! May we all move on into greater and better experiences like this in the next year!



SHARING AT CHRISTMAS__This year Pam Corn led us as we adopted 4 small families for Christmas. We were able to offer monetary assistance helping with utilities, rent, doctor bills, and basic every day necessities. Food and gifts were also shared with families. Sharing our gifts truly helped these families and we thank each one for sharing.

Christmas Play Presented

"All You Need Is A Willing Heart" was presented Christmas Eve Day for all to enjoy. Wonderful to experience such a presentation as young and old shared together presenting the story of Christ's birth!

The choir took us over the top as they offered their message in an exceptional ministry of music. What a beautiful service all shared. Thank Sarah and Jenny for leading and sharing with the congregation the true meaning of Christmas. (*Even cleaning up all that hay, it was well worth it!*)

Y.O.U.

Jr High and Sr Highs had a time at their "New Year's Adam" party Saturday night at Kramers' with a lot of their friends sharing with them. Watching movies, games and laughter were only a part of a fun filled evening the youth shared! Wake-up call came early as all the kids attended church services together the next morning! YOUTH, so nice to have you and all your friends fill the room with your special joy!

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Y. O. U.
(Youth Onward
& Upward)

Sundays 5:30 pm
At
The
Church



Y.O.U. go
Caroling!

Youth invited the congregation to attend with them, the movie "The Nativity" at the Higginville Davis Theater. Really Nice!

On a chilly night this past month, several homes in the congregation were caroled with a large group of youth and their friends. So nice kids!

NEW FURNITURE in Senior High Classroom due to Brian Corn's and many other efforts! Looks great! What an atmosphere to study and learn! All the kids love it!

BOOK FAIR WINNERS—

Winners of the Book Fair drawings were:
Devon Mackey 3 yrs to 2nd grade prize
Billy Mackey 3rd to 8th grade prize

Scott Smith Adult prize

Thanks Sue, for all the hard work and sharing with our congregation available books for all as we encourage one another in study and fun reading!

CHECK IT OUT! Sue says she has a good supply of Financial Record Books. Start that New Year's Resolution of \$\$\$ off right! Pick one up from Sue this Sunday and start planning for financial success in 2007 !

Book available for Class with Apostle Dale Luffman "The Witness of Preaching" Saturday, January 20th at Warrensburg Church.

Family Night

This past month we have shared in "Hanging of the Greens" and then the "Un-hanging of the Greens" enjoying food and fellowship cooked and served by Harold Watson both times. We thoroughly enjoyed one another as we made our church home beautiful!

Put up and clean up was great as we could find plenty of room to put away items in our NEW STORAGE ROOM SHELVES! So nice to have our neat and clean organized storage. Thanks everyone!

Pastors, Financial Officers & Youth Leaders

will meet at the Warrensburg Church, Jan. 21st, 2:30 pm. Please insure that your congregation has a representative for each group.

SUITCASE OFFERING___ We are "packing" our suitcase with offerings to Outreach International each Sunday morning. *Monies have been used to assist many around the world and we thank each one for your generosity.*

PITCHER OFFERING has been for our Christmas adopted families the past month. Thanks to everyone for your continuous support as we as a congregation are endeavoring to help those in our community in need of assistance this Christmas. Truly an overflowing response!

In Club__1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month for all Jr Hi/Sr High youth. Come and enjoy!

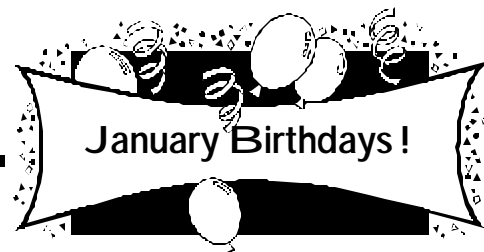
Please turn in Newsleaf info by 20th of the month to Pauline Watson : dpwatson30@comcast.net or Phone 816-633-3250

CRAFT FAIR TO A FULL HOUSE—This year's Craft Fair had a wonderful response with every nook and cranny filled with tables of crafters sharing their creative talents here at the church! A great variety of booths, crafts and new friendships made! It was wonderful to see all working together and sharing with community friends and family. Thanks to all who made this such a successful event. Thanks Lorraine Mackey for leading out in getting us all put together.



As a side note, we made over \$1200! AND the new tables! They are great! We really are enjoying sharing with "just one more" around our tables! Thanks to those who purchased tables assisting in just one more way to help us grow . . .and doing it TOGETHER!

CARDS___June Dyer is offering us opportunity to share with our sick and hospitalized with cards. Look in the foyer for cards to sign and send well wishes for our friends needing your encouragement. Thanks June for ministries of healing.



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| 01- Keith Humphry | 22- Phyllis Landsberg |
| 02- Frances Atkins | 25- Kaitlin Fletcher |
| 03- Marie Grubb | 25- Kim Fletcher |
| 05- Arielle Kramer | 27- Evelyn Eaton |
| 07- Justin Grantham | 28- Chris Dyer |
| 07- Barbara Sowerwine | 28- Mike Ladd |
| 12- Carol Hayward | 29- Myrtle Dillon |
| 13- Susan Mills | |
| 17- Brian Humphrey | |
| 21- Karen Dyer | |

January 2007

Odessa Community of Christ

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 <i>Happy New Year</i> | 2 | 3 7 pm Prayer Ser | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 8:45 am Family Prayer Service 11 am Communion | 8 | 9 | 10 7 pm Prayer Ser | 11 7 pm Bldg Com Mtg | 12 | 13 |
| 14 12:00 pm Potluck 11 AM Jr Church | 15 7 pm Women's Mtg @ Pauline Watson's | 16 | 17 7 pm Prayer Ser | 18 | 19 | 20 Priesthood Dinner/ Worship 6 pm Dale Luffman's Class- Warrensburg |
| 21 11 AM Pre-school Church | 22 | 23 | 24 7 pm Prayer Ser | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 7 pm Family Nite | | | |

Jan. 24 -27th Central Mission Youth Rally in Independence - Time ?????

COME & WORSHIP—Sunday Morning Worship Services

Song Service - 10:45 A.M.

Worship Service - 11:00 A.M.

January 7th—

“Follow Jesus Into the Water”

Communion/Baptism/Ordination Service

January 21st—

“Share the Blessings”

Speaker, Elaine Smith

January 14th—

“I Will Not Keep Silent”

Speaker- Jerry Niefert

January 28th—

“Be Amazed at His Gracious Word”

Speaker, Jeff Kramer



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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
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 Peacemakers Club
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"*



BAPTISMAL SERVICE

ORDINATIONS

COMMUNION

It's all happening Sunday, January 07, 2007! What a wonderful way to start the new year for the congregation as well as for those individuals participating. We are so pleased at the response of our congregation and a forward surge of commitment in the lives of our people. Truly God continues to move in the Odessa Congregation as we endeavor to reach out and serve him.