

# Zion Tidings Serving Christ Through Serving Others

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DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE February "TIDINGS" is on Thursday, January 20, 2022.



# January's Mission of the Month

"Little Kindness" is our Mission of the Month for January. Pam Hale ( sister of Terri Darrah ) heads up this non-profit. Little Kindness sends care bags to hospitals and churches for those going through chemotherapy. During the Covid shutdown, Pam also sent encouraging cards to neighbors and food pantry participants, nurse appreciation gifts, Welcome Back to School gifts and cards for teachers as well as providing lunch for middle and high school teachers.

In the lounge at the back of the sanctuary, you will find a small Giving Tree with ornaments hanging from it. Please take one or more tags and purchase the item(s) and return them to the tree by the end of the month.

"Never underestimate the power of a kind word or deed."

# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

- 2 Melissa Garvic
- 3 Covert Holley
- 7 Cyndi Grube
- 9 Joe Delaplane

- 10 Dave Cook, Laurie Reedstrom,
  - Tom Wesbecher
- 11 Linda Shutt
- 12 Babs Wesbecher
- 17 Erin Brooks, Mason Lopez
- 19 Cole Coppock
- 21 Bob Stollmer
- 22 Norm Barnhart
- 24 Tim Rambeau
- 27 Anna Marie Stover
- 28 Miriam Comer, Larry Nichols
- 29 Greg Fetters, Susie Gray



Please keep those needing comfort & healing in your prayers. Following is a current list of those on the prayer chain from Pastor.

Jerry Corbett. Fred & Jan Aller, Kim Schmidt, Georgia Miller, Andy & Ann Stroh, Joe Delaplane, Gary Coleman, Tom Mach, Ron Hacker, Dorothy Sommer, Jaque Mitchell, Dan Ruble, Sue Von Ashen, Ainsley Staie, Pat Lockard, Joan Williams, Felicia & Wayne Fronczak, Linda Brown, Betty Jackson, Katie Sonnanstine, Ginger Schaefer, Gail Hotchkin, Bart Replogle, Alex Weaver, Laura Barnes, Lois Glawe, Garvic Family (covid).



As we settle in for colder weather here in Ohio we will be thinking about Pastor and Jackie as they enjoy the Florida sun! The choir will miss Jackie's alto voice, especially the altos! We are adding guitar to the mix on two songs in January to bring back a little bit of contemporary sound so be sure to check us out!

Everyone who loves to sing is welcome to join the choir. We rehearse on Wednesday night, from 7 PM to 8 PM. Happy winter season to everyone!

Bill Jones

<u>CHOIR</u> will be off January 2, 2022, New Year's Weekend.



Tipp Monroe Community Services – **Adopt-a- Family** Mission of the Month

Your generosity is overwhelming! A local Family had a very merry Christmas thanks to all of you. This year's family included a mother, father and three children – two boys, ages 4 & 12 and a 10 year old girl. In addition to much needed clothes and bedding, you gifted the children with several toys and games. **THANK YOU!** 

### Dear Women of Zion,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$300.00. Your contribution has been designated toward the Dayton Region fund. We sincerely appreciate that you selected Pink Ribbon Girls when considering your contribution. This meaningful gift will support PRG's mission to provide healthy meals, rides to treatment, housecleaning services, education and peer support to breast and gynecological cancer patients and their families. We are honored that

even in the midst of these turbulent times, our supporters are committed to ensuring that No One Travels This Road Alone . . .

Warmly, Heather Salazer, CEO/President

**The Staff at Zion** would like to thank the Women of Zion for the gift cards given to each of us for Christmas. We appreciate being thought of during this Holiday Season.



### New e-mail address for:

Linda Holt - ljhbrass1@gmail.com Please update your records.

### **COMMITTEE NEWS**

# **PROPERTY COMMITTEE December 6, 2021**

The front door lock will be installed in the near future by members of the committee. The committee is still waiting to receive estimates and proposals for updating the HVAC system and for the ramp repair. A cap needs to be installed in the basement stairway to correct water seepage. The monthly work list was completed. The next meeting is Monday, January 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

# **COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS December 14, 2021**

- Authorized Compassionate Friends, a ministry to parents who have lost children, to meet in our building monthly.
- 2. Approved meeting minutes and financials from November.
- Learned that Pastor Dale Schaefer has agreed to serve as interim pastor beginning approximately March 1. The term is for six months, renewable monthly thereafter. Council approved unanimously.
- 4. Kervyn Mach, Lori Sebastian, and Pastors Dale Schaefer and Doug Jacobs met December 8 to

- select worship leaders for January and February.
- 5. Property committee is still working the boiler problem.
- 6. We will revive the Long-Term Planning committee with the goal of stepping back and reviewing what we do. What the committee learns will benefit the search committee. See the accompanying article for more information.

# **Long-Term Planning Committee**

Our constitution requires a long-term planning committee, and Council has decided to revive it. We see it as a group of five to seven people representing a cross-section of the congregation. They would critically examine our current ministries and try to establish where we as a congregation would want to be in one, two, and five years, with annual updates. If we establish one immediately, they can provide guidance to the pastoral search committee.

These are some questions that the committee would want to look into. There are surely others.

- Where should we place our emphases?
- Do we want to aggressively grow our membership?
- Are there current ministries that have outlived their usefulness?
- Are there current ministries that we should expand?
- Are there new ministries that we might want to undertake?
- Should we consider cooperative ministries with other churches?

We would like to schedule the first meeting in January with something like the above description as their charter. Chuck Powder has offered to be Council liaison and chair. If you are interested, contact any council member.

Kervyn Mach



There are still dates available on the 2021 Flower Chart. If you have a special date in mind and would like to provide altar flowers, please sign up on the chart hanging on the wall in the hallway leading up to the Fellowship Hall or you can call the church office at 667-3110 if you have a date in mind. *The 2 vases are still \$40.00*. Below are the dates that are still open: Jan. 2, 9, 30 - Feb. 20 - Mar. 6 - Apr. 3 - May 1, 8, 22, 29 – July 10, 24, Aug. 14, 28 - Sept. 18 – Oct. 9, 23 – Nov. 6 – Dec. 11, 18.

# **2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES**

If you were not able to pick up your envelopes by Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> then you will find them in your mailbox.

# **Adult Sunday School**

Beginning in January, there will be an opening for the <u>adult</u> Sunday School teacher. If anyone is interested, please contact Jessica Dorn or Linda Holt. Linda is planning to begin a 6 week course titled "The Miracles of Jesus" in February.



Monday, January 3 6:00 pm Wednesday, January 5 7:00 pm Tuesday, January 11 5:00 pm

Wednesday, January 19

Property Committee Choir Rehearsal Communications & Welcoming

**BLOOD DRIVE** 

# **Christian Education updates for January 2022**

# There will be no Sunday School or Bible Study on Jan 2!

The Adult Bible Study is in need of a leader for January 9, 16, 23, and 30. The leader would be welcome to choose their own material or material could be provided. Please reach out to Linda, Jessica or email christianed@ziontipcity.org.

# **Grace Place News**

The Zion Youth and Children worked hard in order to prepare for the Christmas Shadow Puppet Show. I was so impressed by all of the youth and children who really worked hard to help each other and get their parts down. They did a fantastic job. Thank you to all of the families and the adults who helped pull this all together!



There are a lot of ways to assist the Youth and Children of Zion! Some of the ways include: Teaching, assisting the teacher, substitute teaching/assisting, organizing the storage room, preparations for Sunday school, scrap booking. If you are interested in serving in any way please speak to or email Jessica Dorn at christianed@ziontippcity.org.

If your child/youth attends Sunday School and you have not filled out a registration paper please let Jessica know. The registration papers help to keep children safe and helps us in case of an emergency.

# **Missions Bulletin Board**

The youth will be updating the Missions Bulletin Board. If you are involved in a mission please write the name of the mission, a description of the mission, and who to contact to get involved in the mission and email it to <a href="mailto:Christianed@Ziontippcity.org">Christianed@Ziontippcity.org</a> or turn it in to the Christian Ed box in the office.

# **Youth Gathering Fundraiser Updates**

Calendars are still on sale for a donation, they are located in the hallway under the Grace Place board (across from the Adult Sunday School room). January is your last chance to get one, so hurry now before they all disappear for the year!

If you have any leftover Christmas wrapping paper, gift bags, bows, name tags, or tissue paper that you aren't sure what to do with, please consider donating it to the youth for a possible fundraiser that may happen next year.

# **Special Thanks**

Thank you to Jackie Glawe for everything she has done for the youth over the past 7+ years for the youth, children, and church. It is easy to see how much she is loved she is by the entire church, but especially the youth and children. Jackie has been working with Jessica to make sure that the transition of Christian Ed will be as smooth as possible.