

CCS Eagle Express Newsletter

December 1, 2006

Jonathan Bonar, Sr.— Pastor
www.clintonchristian.org

CCS is a Ministry of Life Church

Committed to Excellence

Email: trutchfield@clintonchristian.org

Volume 1, Number 4

Travis Crutchfield – Administrator

Phone (301) 599-9600

**CCS 2006 -2007
Scripture Theme Verse**

**“...WHETHER YOU
EAT OR DRINK, OR
WHATEVER YOU
DO, DO ALL TO
THE GLORY OF
GOD.**

1 COR. 10:31

IN THIS ISSUE ON PAGE 2:

- **VISION STATEMENT**
- **WHAT'S NEWS AT CCS?**
- **PRAYER NEEDS**
- **UPCOMING EVENTS-LOOK FOR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM INFO.**
- **REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR CCS!**

The Administrator's Corner

It is finally December! The month of Christmas! Christmas is the day for which many children begin to look as early as December 26. It is the time of sharing and giving just as God shared His riches and gave His Son for our salvation. What a great salvation.

In last month's issue I shared some of the many blessings God has bestowed upon our magnificent school through our wonderful students. Likewise, I must share about the blessings CCS has continued to receive from the parents of our students. Consider the following:

1. Upon arriving at CCS, I asked each teacher from K4 through 12th grade to compile a "Classroom Wish-list." As parents became aware of the Wish-lists, items ranging from toys to complete computer systems were provided for classroom use.
2. After meeting with many parents during the Parents-Administrator Forums, it was apparent to me that our students' parents desired to be partners in Christian education. This desire was demonstrated at our most recent Room Moms and Dads meeting where parents developed the following goals:

Goals to assist the classroom teacher:

- Assist with planning and organizing field trips
- Assist with coordinating monthly birthday and seasonal parties
- Organize a teacher appreciation day/week (quarterly)
- Volunteer four hours (as needed)
- Volunteer to read to the students (enabling the teacher to take a short personal break) & free tutoring sessions
- Fast and pray for specific needs of teacher/classroom

Goals to assist the CCS parents:

- Provide general but yet important information to parents

- Establish a phone/email tree
- Establish a uniform exchange
- Organize a parents appreciation day
- Establish a carpool network
- Participate in annual school orientation and open house
- Establish quarterly parent/teacher fellowships (PTF) similar to a PTA
- Fast and pray for specific needs of CCS parents/families

Goals to assist the CCS students:

- Provide tutoring
 - Give encouraging words to students
 - Contribute to "treasure chests" for the lower grades and establish a rewards store for the junior/high school students
 - Organize fellowships for students outside of routine school activities
 - Provide reading assistance by establishing a resource center (e.g. cassette recorders to help students record themselves reading and to listen to other readers for a better understanding of "how" to read with inflection and meaning).
 - Establish a "mentoring pool" to assist students with life, career, and college counseling
 - Fast and pray for specific needs of the student.
3. Many parents have asked me to provide a list of possible Christmas presents that would be desired by our teachers and staff. I have compiled the list and attached it to this newsletter.

Finally, enjoy celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He is the reason for this wonderful season!

Vision Statement

Clinton Christian School seeks to be a distinctively Christian educational institution for the purpose of assisting Christian families in their God-given responsibility to train their children in a God-centered worldview with the goal being a lifetime of service to Jesus Christ.

WHAT'S NEWS AT CCS?

- ✓ The music department will lead our students in the Christmas Program. The admission price will be one canned good or other non-perishable food item, which will be distributed to the homeless. An offering will be taken in order to fund a college scholarship for one or more of our 2007 CCS Graduates. Two very distinct and age-appropriate programs will be performed. On Friday, December 8, at 7:30 PM, 5th - 12th grade students and Life Church members will perform Let All Nations Praise the King. The play, which was written by a group of our current juniors and seniors, will involve our 5-6 Grade Campus Chorus, 7-12 Grade Honors Chorus, CCS Vocal Ensemble, our violinists, the Life Church Praise Team, CCS Liturgical Dance Team, and student actors. On Saturday, December 9, at 1:00 PM and 4:00 PM, students in grades K - 4 will perform "The Colors of Christmas." The two times are intended to allow greater involvement of the 170 K4 - 4th grade students at each performance. More details are coming.
- ✓ CCS tradition places the financial responsibility for the Junior-Senior Banquet on the Junior Class. The Junior Class' fundraising efforts are intended to teach practical skills about event planning. Please support their efforts by participating in the Krispy Kreme Donut Sale. Watch for the flyers for more information.
- ✓ Fifteen of our 7 - 12 grade choir and ensemble members have been invited to perform at the Pentagon on Friday, December 15. Because CCS is blessed to have so many vocally talented students, the selection process will be based on the individual student's willingness to cooperate with the music instructors during the first semester.
- ✓ In an effort to serve you better, the Finance Office is in the process of streamlining many areas. One area is our milk order process. The payment must be received by January 5, 2007, for the semester. The per semester fee is \$25. Please look for a signup sheet on line under the INFORMATION tab at www.clintonchristian.org.
- ✓ FINAL NOTICE: ALL UNCLAIMED LOST AND FOUND items will be available in the Welcome Center on Monday, December 11. All items not retrieved will be donated on Tuesday.
- ✓ Come and join our Third Graders as they minister at Pine-View Assisted Living Center in Clinton. The buses will leave at 9:45AM on December 19.

PRAYER NEEDS

- ◇ The spiritual growth of the recently saved students
- ◇ A full-time nurse and the funding for the position
- ◇ The students who are assuming leadership roles in our campus ministry.
- ◇ Students as they minister throughout the community.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM ALL OF US HERE AT LIFE CHURCH MINISTRIES!

REMEMBER...WISE MEN STILL SEEK HIM!

P
r
a
y
e
r
o
f
f
e
r
s
!