



The Joyful Noise

Vision 2014

“Asking for Greater things”

¹² I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. ¹⁴ You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

John 14:12-14 (NIV)



**Christmas rush is soon to swish on by
with lots of things and toys to buy.
So many things to get done,
Now why? Who? What son?**

**Standing in line for hour upon hour.
Credit cards ringing up another debt dollar.
Rushing from place to place,
Why, O Why am I in this mad dash race?**

**Wrapping paper to cover the gift.
Checking off as I fulfill each wish.
Thinking of happy faces to come,
Now why? Who? What son?**

**Don't bother me with the meaning of the day.
I will just keep going my own way.
Buying things that will not last
Stuck in traffic, going nowhere fast.**

Hark, hear the carols fill your ear.
Raise a glass of holiday cheer.
Laugh, sing, have some good fun.
Now why? Who? What son?

The world may ignore,
go ahead, fall asleep in bed and snore.
But the day will come,
when it will matter if you know the Son!

So may the true meaning of the day
capture your heart and guide your way.
For the lost, broken, and forsaken He did come.
The one and only Begotten Son!



Merry Christmas!
Pastor Jeff

Prayer Moment:

Advent Prayer

Keep us alert, we pray, O Lord our God, as we await the advent of Christ Your Son, so that when He comes and knocks He may find us watchful in prayer and exultant in His praise. For the Son lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Walking in the Word – Tuesday Night Bible Study we will Meet December 2nd at 7 P.M.

The Northern kingdom has fallen!
Ten tribes taken into captivity and never to return. Judah, will you hearken to the warning? Will Judah worship the Lord God or go after Baal? Are their kings walking in the way of David or walking in the ways of the wicked?



Come and Studying the Bible with your brothers and sisters in Christ on Tuesdays at 7 pm. We concluded by 8:15 p.m.

Children's Sunday School

We are traveling down Route 66!
Beginning at Genesis we'll work our way down the road through the 66 books of the Bible.



Sunday School

Moms, dads, grandmas and grandpas, great-grandma and great-grandpas, these intentional times of discipling will nurture the FAITH of those entrusted to your care. Make a Sunday morning faith commitment for you and your family! Attend Sunday School and Worship together.

*Train a child in the way he should go,
and when he is old he will not turn from it.*

Proverbs 22:6 (NIV)

**Remember, Children's Sunday School will not meet
December 28, 2014 and January 4, 2015.**

Listen Online to a Sunday Sermon Message

Sunday Sermon messages are recorded and made available for listening on our Website: www.ficlc.net The link to the message archive is found on the Pastor page.

This is a great opportunity to hear again the Word Preached and also a great opportunity to share the Word Preached with a friend at work or anywhere you have access to the internet. The Lord can bring a blessing and draw another to Faith in Christ.

listen online at: http://ficlc.net/ficlc_2_004.htm

Christmas Eve Worship - Wednesday Dec. 24th at 7 P.M.



Sing with Great JOY!
A Savior has been BORN!
He is Christ our LORD.
Emmanuel, GOD with US!
We'll worship our God with
Carols, Candlelight and Holy
Communion.
Bring a Friend!

CHRISTMAS CARDS



We will once again be playing "post office" for your Christmas Cards being sent to one of your church family members. There will be a basket in the entrance hallway in early December for you to put your "outgoing" cards in. They will be sorted alphabetically and be available for pick up the following Sundays. No stamps needed! Remember....no cards will actually be mailed so do not include any mail for out of town members or shut-ins. These cards should be mailed in the usual way.



The church office will be closed
from December 25th until
January 5th .



Christmas Caroling
to FIC's Homebound
on Sunday, December 21

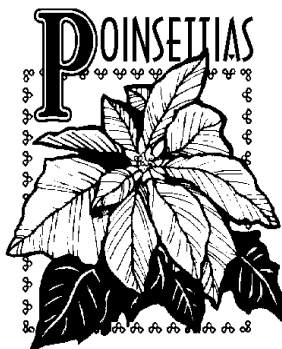


All are invited to join BUDs after church on Sunday,
December 21 to share some Christmas cheer with our
homebound members. Please bring a brown bag lunch to
eat after worship as well as your Christmas spirit.
Following the caroling all are invited back to Dave &
Holly's home for dinner and fellowship!

*"Good Christian Friends REJOICE with heart and soul and
voice! Jesus Christ is born today!"*

2014 Poinsettia Order Form

Please complete this form and send it, along with your payment, to the church office no later than DECEMBER 14th (orders may also be placed in the offering plates or hand delivered). Add a dedication below, if you wish, to be printed in our Christmas Eve bulletins.



Name (s) _____

Number of flowers ordered _____

Payment enclosed at \$9.00 each: \$ _____

Dedication: In Honor Of/In Memory Of:

*Thank you for helping us decorate for Christmas!
Poinsettias may be picked up after the
late service Christmas Eve
or left on the altar during
the remainder of the
Christmas Season.*



ADVENT: All giving placed in these envelopes will go to “Local Food Pantries”. These envelopes say “Advent Offering” on the bottom of the envelope. All giving placed in the regular Sunday envelopes that have the date on them (even though they do fall during Advent) will go to your regular giving - ministry or building fund, as usual.

CHRISTMAS EVE: All giving placed in this envelope will go to FIC’s General Fund.

CHRISTMAS: Same as Christmas Eve....all giving placed in this envelope will go to FIC’s General Fund.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR 2014: Gospel for Asia’s “Build a Church” program

<http://www.gfa.org/ministries/churches/>



Loyal Followers of Christ - (LFC)

Will meet on Friday, December 5th at 12 Noon in Bay Breeze Restaurant for their annual Christmas party and gift exchange. Each member is to bring a wrapped gift, value approx. \$10.00 for the exchange.

Women of Today -

Will not meet in December. Their next meeting will be at 3:00 p.m. in the church on Monday, January 19th, 2015.



All information for the annual report must be submitted to the church office no later than Sunday, January 11, 2015!



Dear WinS,
Thank you for your recent contribution to our shelter. The underwear, socks, bags and shirts that you provided are being put to a great use

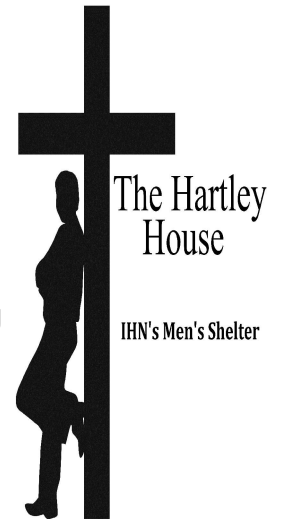
serving those who are currently in difficult situations. I deeply appreciate your recent donation. The under garments that you provided are always in great need by our guests who are striving to find a better path than circumstances they currently face. The 288 articles of clothing will assist with a great need. The guests were over-joyed to see these items come in and we served 21 men in the first day. It is congregations and groups like yours that make IHN and the services we provide possible. Thank you again for all you do, and I appreciate your assistance in helping individuals and families overcome homelessness.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Seelig III

Program Manager Hartley House

<http://www.theihn.com/>

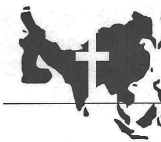


Gospel for Asia Build a Church Thank You

Latest update !Our gift of a church building will be built in the village of Jeedikal in the state of Telangana Andhra Pradesh, India. The pastor is Brother Pinapati Badu. More info to come!



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GOSPEL FOR ASIA

transforming communities through Christ's love

October 20, 2014

Faith in Christ Lutheran Church
Pastor Jeffrey Lee
1603 Moorefield Rd
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Dear Friends In Christ,

What a tremendous encouragement it is to hear that you gave so a congregation of Asian believers will have a church building of its own. From the bottom of my heart, thank you. Your tender heart to the Lord's leading is being greatly used to extend His kingdom to the ends of the earth.

Through the work of Gospel for Asia national missionaries, the Lord is moving mightily in the hearts of the Asian people. Every single day, precious souls receive His gift of eternal life, and new churches are born. These believers faithfully meet each week, and their love for each other, as well as their willingness to serve their communities, is a tremendous witness to their neighbors.

Every group of believers prays for a church building that will stand as a beacon of light in their village. Many of these congregations must meet outside under trees or in small, rented rooms where they do not have enough space. A church building is a true blessing.

A church building also provides a safe place for the Christians to praise the Lord freely, with little fear of opposition. The believers draw great encouragement from their times of worship together, and it is such a blessing for them to have a place they can call their own.

I know that the Lord will multiply the results of your generous gift. Ephesians 3:20-21 says, "*Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.*"

Praise the Lord for all He will do through your church building in Asia.

Yours for the unreached of Asia,

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Founder & International Director

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Faith in Christ will be providing food baskets to the residents of Mulberry Terrace, which is a part of the IHN homeless shelter network

The list of items needed is:

2 Lb. Canned Ham
2 Cans Vegetables (same)
2 Cans Fruit (same kind)
1 Box Mac & Cheese
1 Box Instant Potatoes

1 2-Layer Cake Mix
1 Can Cake Icing
1 2-Liter Soft Drink
9 X 13 Cake Pan



Total baskets needed - 26

In addition to the food, WinS will provide small Christmas gifts for the recipients.

The last day for donations will be Sunday, December 14. This will allow a week for packing and making any final purchases that are needed. All items will be delivered to the Mulberry Terrace apartment building on December 23.