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CONNECTING POINT

November 2009

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ;

Sunday October 25th I taught about "Zaccheus: Thirty Seconds in the Presence of The Lord." I was not able to express all that God wanted me to do during the services on one particular verse. In verse 4, it says, "Zaccheus climbed into a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus."

God plants the trees in your life, so that you can climb to your encounter with destiny. But your hunger for God is what makes you climb.

God won't make you climb the tree. He will just make sure that there is a tree to climb. God creates the occasions and the opportunities, but you must take advantage of them.

As Zaccheus leaned against that tree in search of a solution to his life, he hesitated in his mind. "I'm too rich to climb a tree. I'm too busy to climb a tree. I'm too important and powerful to be seen climbing a tree." But in the depths of his soul Zaccheus cried, "I'm too empty **not** to climb. I'm too lonely **not** to climb. I'm too hungry for life **not** to climb this tree." So up he went.

Neither will you nor I encounter Jesus from any other vantage point, except the Tree on Calvary's Hill, where the Lamb of God took away our sin. Where we ask Jesus to forgive us and save us and fill us with His Spirit.

See You This Sunday,
 Wayne

Our Community Thanksgiving Service will be on Tuesday, Nov. 24th at 7:00pm at Ebenezer Pentecostal Holiness Church. The sermon will be delivered by Pastor Wayne Hicks. We hope everyone will come join with other Christians in our community as we worship and thank God for the many blessings he's given us.

Common Grounds Coffee House will be open Friday, November 20th at 7:00pm. All are welcome to join us for refreshments, fellowship and entertainment featuring *Lighthouse*.

We will celebrate Thanksgiving together on Wednesday Nov. 18th at 6:00 pm. Turkey, ham, dressing, and beverages will be provided. Each family or individual is asked to bring a vegetable, salad, or dessert that will provide about 5 servings. Extra people will be needed for set-up, serving, and clean up. Call Lynn Ward at 459-5679 to volunteer. Please complete a meal sign-up sheet located in the attendance book and place it in the offering plate if you plan to attend. Be sure to put Nov. 25th as the date on the sign-up sheet.

We will be having our Free ASP Community Breakfast on November 26th at 7:00am in Braswell Hall. Watch for volunteer opportunities in November bulletins.

Charge Conference Join us on Thursday Evening, Nov. 5th at 7:00 in Braswell Hall as we join as the body of Nashville United Methodist Church for Annual Charge Conference. Everyone is invited to learn about and celebrate the accomplishments we have made through Christ Jesus. Come meet our district superintendent, Mac McMillan, as we worship and celebrate.

Operation Christmas Child Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations worldwide through gift-filled shoe boxes and the Good News of God's love. We have a goal of 300 boxes this year. Our children have been bringing offerings of items for the boxes, but we need additional help to reach our goal. Please consider preparing a box (flyers are in the gathering area with information about preparing boxes), donating an empty shoe, or money to help with shipping. Shoebox deadline is Nov. 15. **Thanks for your support!**

WESLEYAN CLASS LOVE TREE! Each year the Wesleyan Class sponsors a "Love Tree" project, which is a beautiful and meaningful way to remember our loved ones at Christmas. A tree of lights will be lit on November 29 in front of the church and burn through the Advent season. Lights on the tree may be purchased for \$1 each and represent persons who are or were very special in our lives. All the names of those we honor and remember will be placed in a special booklet that will be given to anyone upon request. The Wesleyan Class will use the proceeds from this project for special outreach needs throughout the year. For your convenience, inserts are included in your weekly bulletin or you may contact Wesleyan Class members or the church office to place orders. The last day to request lights will be November 8. Please don't wait until the last minute.



**Order
Your
Poinsettias**

Orders will soon be accepted for Christmas Poinsettias. Poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary during the Christmas season in honor or in memory of loved ones. The names of those honored and remembered will be placed in holiday bulletins. Order forms can be found soon in bulletins, in the gathering area, or you can call the church office at 459-7178.



Decorating for Christmas

Help is needed with decorating our church for Christmas. Decorating will take place on November 23rd & 24th at 9:00am. You can call Darothy Smith at 459-9731 with questions. We hope you are able to come and help transform our church for Christmas!



**Hanging
of the
Greens**

Mark your calendars for Sunday Evening, November 29th at 5:30 pm as we celebrate the beginning of the joyous Christmas season with :

- ◆ Hanging of the Greens
- ◆ Lighting of the Love Tree
- ◆ and ASP Spaghetti Dinner



is hosting a **Chicken Pastry Luncheon** Sunday, November 15th 11:00am - 1:00pm
Meal includes: **Chicken Pastry with a Side Item Bread, Beverage, & Dessert.** \$6 for Adults and \$4 for Children (ages 3 - 12)

Tickets may be purchased from any Camp 4 Kids member or contact the church office.



will be having their **Holiday Luncheon** On November 17th at 12:00pm. Cost is \$3 per person. Please turn in money to Linda Brannan by Nov. 8th.

November

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 4:30pm - ASP Meeting - Basement 6:00pm - Play Practice 6:00pm - New Members Class - Men's Bible Class	2 10:15am Nursing Home Ministry - Nash Grove Manor 7:00pm - Trustees Parlor	3 6:30pm - Nash Central JV Dinner - Braswell Hall 7:00pm - Staff Parrish - Cockrell House	4	5 Charge Conference 7:00pm Braswell Hall	6 6:00pm - Girl Scouts - Braswell & Cockrell Halls	7 8:00am - Girl Scouts - Braswell & Cockrell Halls
8 7:30am - Methodist Men's Breakfast Cockrell Hall 6:00pm - King's/ Covenant Kids 6:00pm - New Members Class	9 10:00am - 4-H - Cockrell Hall 7:00pm - Extream Connection Meeting	10 10:30am - NRMS Cockrell Hall	11 5:30pm - Children's Choir Practice - Choir Room 7:00pm - Finance - Chapel	12	13 Youth leave for Pilgrimage 	14 NA/Nar-Anon Cookout - Cockrell Hall & Parking Lot
15 11:00 - 1:00 Camp 4 Kids Pasty Luncheon 6:00pm - Play Practice	16 10:15am Nursing Home Ministry - Nash Grove Manor	17 12:00pm - Special People - Cockrell Hall	18	19	20 Coffee House 7:00pm	21 Fall Grounds Clean-up
22 6:00pm - King's & Covenant Kids	23 24 9:00am Church Decorating		25 5:30pm - Children's Choir Practice - Choir Room	26 ASP Community Breakfast 7:00am - 10:00am	27	28 Camp-4-Kids Christmas Wrapping Cockrell Hall
29 5:30pm Hanging of the Greens & ASP Spaghetti Supper Camp-4-Kids Christmas Wrapping	30 2:00pm - Directory Pictures - Cockrell Hall 7:00 - Church Council - Parlor			Coming Soon: Be on the lookout for more information!		

Attendance

Date	8:30	11:00	Totals
Oct. 4	229	89	318
Oct. 11	187	83	270
Oct. 18	203	106	309
Oct. 25	163	98	261
Averages	196	94	290

Scouting Schedule

Wolf Den
1st & 3rd Sunday 2:00pm - Cockrell Hall
Pack
2nd Tuesday 7:00pm - Cockrell Hall
Webloes!
1st, 3rd, & 4th Tuesday - 7:00pm - Cockrell Hall

Sunday

8:30am Worship Service (Contemporary)
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service (Traditional)
5:30pm Pathfinders & Youth PAC
5:30pm Crown - Fellowship Class
6:00pm Play or King's & Covenant Kids
Tuesday
7:00am Prayers with the Pastor
9:00am Men's Bible Study - B. Garage
7:00pm DivorceCare - Chapel

Recurring Church Activities

Wednesday
6:30am Pathfinders @ Bojangles
5:45pm Fellowship Meal
6:30pm Alpha - Men's Bible Class
6:30pm Youth Bible Study - Basement
6:30pm Puppet Team
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal
8:00pm Narcotics Anonymous
8:00pm Nar-Anon

Thursday

7:00pm Disciple II - Fellowship Class

Weekday School
9:00am - 12:00pm
Kidspace
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.