



The Zanesville Christian & Missionary Alliance Church

the ZCMA Connection

"Living the Call Together"



From the Pastor's Desk

Thanksgiving

By Pastor Andy Winters

Recently, while running around from place to place, I listened to a book on my iPod® called *The Mayflower* by Nathaniel Philbrick. The book gives an historical account of the journey across the sea by the Pilgrims and the "outsiders." Not all of the first colonists to set foot on the shores of New England were a part of the religious cloister seeking freedom from the Church of England. Some early colonists were simply opportunists hoping to make some money in the New World. Because of the need to survive rather than mutual affinity, they banded together to begin their colony in New England.

After a difficult journey and tremendous suffering, they settled into a hard winter which would even further devastate this pitiful endeavor. Initially they feared the Indians and the Indians feared the white settlers. The Indians had been ravaged by disease and thought the English to be more powerful than they were. Fearful of an unknown "secret weapon", they tentatively embraced the settlers, sharing much needed provisions and teaching them some survival skills that would help them make it through the difficult winter.

So much of the Thanksgiving story is a part of our folklore and holiday traditions. We sit down to large feasts and enjoy the comfort of our contemporary lives. Lost is the back-story of the enduring effort, human suffering, and communal struggle

to survive.

In our modern world of abundance and relative safety and security, we sometimes miss the most important part of the first Thanksgiving: the absolute humble gratitude to God for delivering them and bringing them through the trials of that first year. It was a feast of gratitude filled with their limited abundance and shared by all, expressing a deep reverence and appreciation for the grace and mercy of God for their survival. The Feast was a primitive Eucharist feast, patterned after an Old Testament feast celebrating God's provision at the harvest. It displayed generosity to all, because God had been generous to them.

As we come to this Thanksgiving season, we are inviting you to express your humble gratitude for God's provision of His gracious blessing to you and your loved ones. The church is collecting canned and boxed foods to be given out to ten needy families. You can bring your goods to the church and place them in the collection baskets in the foyer. Also, we are receiving an offering to "bless others as we have been blessed." This offering, our "Thanksgiving Blessing" will be divided up four ways and given to four deserving groups/individuals chosen by the ministry board using Acts 1:8 as a pattern. The groups represent our Jerusalem (locally...

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Upcoming events:

November 2011

November 5 All-church Yard Clean-up Day

November 6 Baptisms, baby dedications, Communion

November 11-13 Fall Women's Retreat Inn @ Amish Door

November 19 Friendship Party 10 am at church

November 20 Thanksgiving Food Basket Distribution

November 21 Senior Escape Franklin Park Conservatory

November 23 Thanksgiving Praise Service 7 pm at church



Body Connection

Pastor's Desk, cont'd

Young Lives), our Judea (regionally...the family of a soldier killed in Afghanistan), our Samaria (district work...a church planter in Pickerington) and the ends of the earth (globally...CAMA work in Central Asia). **See ad (below, right) for more details of the offering's recipients.**

I trust you will consider how you and your whole family can show your humble gratitude for the blessings you have received. And may your Thanksgiving time with your loved ones be a time of deep appreciation of all of God's many blessings!



A special service that includes **Baptisms, Baby/Child Dedications, and Communion** will be held next Sunday, Nov. 6.

If you are interested in either baptism or baby dedication, please call or e-mail Pastor Andy or Pastor John by **this Wednesday, Nov. 2**. **A required preparatory class will be held on **Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 6:00 p.m. for all baptismal candidates.**

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Pastor Andy will begin a new fall membership class soon (probably on Wednesday evenings). If you are interested in becoming a member of our local body or just want to learn more about us, please sign up on the foyer bulletin board or contact Pastor Andy. He will inform you of the arrangements for the class as soon as possible.



Sharing our Blessings... Thanksgiving 2011



Again this year we will be making up and distributing **THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS** to needy families both in and outside of our church. There are several ways you can participate:

- Donate **canned and boxed goods**. Please place your contributions in any of the laundry baskets in the foyer **through November 20**.
- **Donate cash toward the purchase of turkeys and fresh items** that will be included in each basket.
- **If you know of any families** that could use one of the food baskets, please call the office.
- Anyone is welcome to **help with sorting and distribution** of the baskets on **Sunday afternoon, November 20**.

Special Thanksgiving Offering

An offering will be taken on the two Sundays surrounding Thanksgiving (Nov. 20 & 27) and at the special **Praise & Prayer Service on Wednesday, November 23**.

It will be distributed among four different projects:

- **CAMA's "Beautiful Hair, Beautiful Health, Beautiful Hearts"** salon & dialysis projects in a creative access country in Central Asia. (*go to www.camaservices.org for more information*)
 - A Central District couple, **Clint & Christina Bieri** just beginning a C&MA church plant in nearby Pickerington, OH
- **Young Lives**, a local outreach (in which several of our women serve) that ministers to teenage moms & their children.
- **The family of Raymond Border**, a member of the U.S. Navy from Coshocton, recently killed in the line of duty in Afghanistan



ALL-CHURCH FALL YARD CLEAN-UP DAY Saturday, November 5 9 a.m. -??

Men, women, teens, kids:
Help rake leaves, clean gutters, clear beds in preparation for winter. Bring rakes & gloves and stay as long as you can!
(rain date: Nov. 12)



Thanksgiving Service Wednesday, November 23 at 7 pm

Join together in corporate Praise & Thanksgiving!!
(no King's Kids or Youth Bible studies)

*Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
His love endures forever.*

Psalm 118:1





Missions & Holiday Connection

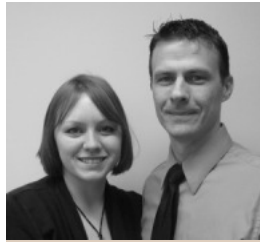
Please pray for the next steps in our Mazateco Ministry

The trip we were planning for this month has been cancelled due mainly to the lack of a translator. Our two dentists are also unable to go at this time. We will consider the trip again in the spring, either to San José Independencia or another area of Oaxaca where a couple Mexican Alliance churches with whom we have been partnering in this ministry are located. We would like to continue building those relationships and developing interest to continue the work among the Mazateco people in San José with the goal of someday planting a church there. Please continue to keep Pastor Ruben and Pastor Porfirio in prayer and pray that God will show us what our role is to be in reaching "our" people!



Our church's 2012 Faith Promise Pledge to the Great Commission Fund so far totals \$23,230, representing only 18 pledges, far below last year's number of pledges (39) and total of \$29,412. Thank you to those who have already pledged to the GCF to support our missionaries overseas. If you have not turned in your pledge yet, please pick up a card in the foyer and place it in the offering plate by Sunday, 11/27. It would be wonderful if everyone would pledge even a small amount and watch God provide!

One further note...our giving to the Great Commission Fund so far this year (excluding special offerings) totals \$35,242, exceeding our 2011 pledge by almost \$6000. Let's keep up that good work! And remember the annual year-end opportunity next month.



Rick & Andrea Jones' Mission Trip to Face of My Father Children's Home in San Marcos, Mexico, November 1-9

Rick & Andrea leave early this Tuesday morning for their mission trip to Face of My Father Children's Home to work there with William & Katie Cooke and the 10 children in the home. (Andrea had been part of a team that went to help with the building of the Peniel C&MA church facility in San Marcos several years ago, before the Children's Home was built and has also participated in a couple of the trips to Calvary Commission's orphanage in Reynosa). *PRAY for safe travels, good health, lots of energy & hearts to serve and that they will be used by God!* PRAY too for William & the three older boys as they are going fishing with the sponsor of one of the boys part of that week, leaving Katie alone with the other 7 kids (plus her own). She is glad for the extra help from the Joneses! PRAY for grandma and grandpa (Jeff & Laura) Davis as they care for 15-month-old Jeremiah while his parents are away.



UPCOMING CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES



SENIORS' HOLIDAY ESCAPE to see Franklin Park Conservatory's Living Christmas Displays

Monday, November 21

Meet at church at 10 am...lunch at Panera

Cost: \$8/person admission, plus lunch

Sign up on foyer bulletin board!

Special Christmas Services

- King's Kids' Musical "A Christmas Carol" Sunday, December 11 at 10:30 a.m.
- Choir Cantata "Hope is Born...Emmanuel" Sunday, December 18 at 10:45 a.m.
- Christmas Eve Candlelight Service Saturday, December 24 at 6:30 p.m.



ADULT PROGRESSIVE DINNER

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

Beginning at 5:30 p.m.

See sign-up sheet on foyer bulletin board

This always fun event is designed to help us get to know each other better in several small group

settings. Sign up to host a main course for 6-12 people, or make a dessert or appetizer to share at one of the two larger homes where they will be served. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer your home that can accommodate 25-35 people for appetizers or desserts, please call Cyndi Winters at 252-3821.

Attendees will be assigned to a host home for each of three courses and will help one of their hosts with a dish or that part of meal.

On Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25, two identical worship services will be offered... at 9:00 am and 10:45 am. We hope you can join us for the one that fits your family's Christmas Day celebration!



Adult Discipleship Connection

ADULT LIFE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Connect, Grow, Support & Serve = ADULT LIFE...
Joining others in the faith journey through life.

Meet during Sunday school hour 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Fall classes continuing through November

- **“BASIC CHRISTIAN DOCTRINES”**

Lee Canning will cover five more topics in this biblically-based study of Christian, and specifically C&MA, beliefs, ending on 12/4.

- **“CAT AND DOG THEOLOGY”**

DVD series by Bob Sjogren & Gerald Robison
Facilitated by Pastor Andy in the library (finishes up November 13)

- **“BOUNDARIES”**

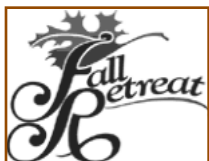
****NEW class beginning NEXT MONTH****

9-session DVD series by Henry Cloud & John Townsend
When to say YES...How to say NO...to take CONTROL of your life

Also, classes are available for children of all ages through High School... including an infant & toddler nursery.



**MAKE SUNDAY SCHOOL
A FAMILY PRIORITY!!**



**2011 Fall Women's Retreat
November 11-13, 2011
at the Inn at Amish Door
“Every Woman Matters... You are
a Woman of Worth” (Eph. 2:10)**

Speaker: Kim Moore, New Concord

Registration is now closed but please **PRAY** for the retreat, the planning committee led by Amy Young, all those who have registered and our speaker... that God would move among our women!

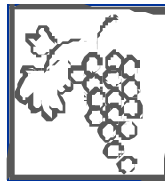
**Be a part of the REAL ACTION! Join us for
BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER
Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. at church
Led by Cecil Sagraves**

The evening opens with a brief Bible study on prayer which will inspire us as we pray corporately for the needs of our loved ones, our church leadership & its ministries, the lost people of our communities, the issues facing our country, and God's work & His workers in the world...

all as the Holy Spirit leads each week.
Then we will also spend time listening to God and thanking Him for His answers!!

Come be part of this exciting ministry!

LIFE GROUPS



Listed below is the information on our currently-meeting LIFE Groups available at this printing. Watch bulletin inserts & our website for weekly updates. If you are not part of a group yet, try out one of these! Call the leaders or hosts for more info (and to let them know you'd like to attend!)

- **Parker** (Duncan Falls/Blue Rock area)
(home) **6400 Cutler Lake Road 740-674-4403**
Every other Thursday at 6:30 pm (Nov. 3 & 17)
Children welcome...included in adult activities
Study: Various topics

- **Schneider/Sandlund*** **330-701-8933**
(*home) **1742 Norwood Blvd. 740-502-4457**
Every Tuesday at 6:30 pm
Childcare on site
Study: “Growing Strong in God's Family” (2:7 series)

- **Hopkins/Snyder*** **740-521-9006**
(*home) **2468 Geneva Drive 419-566-3700**
Every Thursday at 6:30 pm
Childcare on site
Doing LIFE Together: Connecting, Growing, Serving

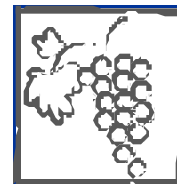
- **Davis/Rodman*** **787-2313**
(*home) **10312 Open Woods Road (Thomville) 787-1514**
Every other Monday at 6:30 pm (Nov. 14 & 28)
Study: Gospel of Luke

Hanna/Diehl (alternate leaders/host homes)
H. - **3958 Darcie Drive/453-1203**
D.- **1845 Aspen Drive/455-3960**
1st & 3rd Sundays (this month) at 6:00 pm (Nov. 6 & 20)
Study: “Trusting until Christ's Return” (1 & 2 Thess.)

College & Career (J. Brooks*)
(*home) **506 Brookover Ave. 624-1705 or 252-2868**
Every other Wednesday at 7:00 pm (Nov. 2, 16, & 30)
Study: Discipleship/Evangelism

There may be other LIFE groups forming throughout the fall & winter months...watch this space and bulletin inserts as information becomes available!

LIFE groups are a great way to get to know people in the church, to get into God's Word together, to share one another's burdens, and discover how God wants to use you in the life of our body.





Kids & Youth Connection



It's
Amish
Desserts
time
again!



PUMPKIN ROLLS

APPLE DUMPLINGS

Youth Fundraiser for Salt Fork Spring Retreat

Great for Thanksgiving!!! Items come frozen!

See any teen to order before November 6th

Make checks payable to: ZCMA Church

Orders will be delivered Friday, Nov. 18th by that teen

All Proceeds will benefit the teen going to the Youth Retreat!

KING'S KIDS

November Practices, etc.

The King's Kids Christmas Musical, "A Christmas Carol" is set for Sunday, December 11 in a **combined service** at **10:30 a.m.** **Special practices** are scheduled on Sunday evenings, aside from the regular times during King's Kids meetings on Wednesdays. Below is the complete **Sunday practice & special event schedule:**



Wed. Nov. 2	6:30-8 pm	Pack OCC Christmas shoe boxes
November 6	5-6 pm	Lines practice & dancers
	6-7:30 pm	Full choir practice
November 13	5-6 pm	Lines practice & dancers
	6-7:30 pm	Full choir practice
November 20	5-6 pm	Lines practice & dancers
	6-7:00 pm	Full choir practice
	7-7:30 pm	Thanksgiving Dinner
Wed., Nov. 23	NO KING'S KIDS Thanksgiving Service	
November 27	"Journey to Bethlehem" in Chandlersville... watch for details... <i>drivers needed...</i> no practice	
December 4	5-6 pm	Lines practice & dancers
	6-7:30 pm	Full choir practice
Wed., Dec. 7	6:30-8 pm	Full dress rehearsal
Sat., Dec. 10	9 am-noon	Dress rehearsal & pizza lunch
December 11	10:30 am	Musical Performance

Contact Gretchen Sandlund (624-2399) with questions.



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

King's Kids are once again packing shoeboxes on Wednesday, Nov. 2. to send overseas. If you would like to help pay for the shipping of these boxes, give money to Gretchen Sandlund. Each box costs \$7 to send and we hope to pack 100 of them!!

Youth Ministries

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS:

November 2011

11/6 **Amish Dessert orders due**

11/17 **Pick up Amish Desserts** at church

11/20 **CORE meeting 12:30 @ the Silveys'**

COMING UP...

12/31 **New Year's Eve Lock-in 3 pm-midnight**

Weekly opportunities

Sunday School classes for Jr. & Sr. High
Sunday mornings at 9:30 at church

"Soled Out" Sunday nights at church at 6 pm

Youth Worship Band practice
Sundays at 5 pm in youth room

Wednesday Youth Bible Studies at 7 pm
Meet at Sandlunds' 3755 Greenbriar Drive
(1st Wed of each month is **Parents' Night**)

Bring your Friends!

And for details on these events and more great YOUTH STUFF...



Check out the new youth web site at

www.youthnation.com/sites/soledout

or click the link on our church web site

Get *a*life

a-life, the Alliance's denominational magazine is now FREE and can come directly to your home. All we need is a list of names and addresses of those who would like to receive this quality publication at no charge. It includes articles on missions, local church ministries, Christian living and information on the C&MA family around the world.

Please see
Lynne Thomas ASAP
or call the church office
to "subscribe" to *a-life*
at no cost to you or
the church!



Family Connection



Debbie Warden	11/1
Katie Gahagan	11/1
Sandy McCurdy	11/3
Katie Boyd	11/3
Caleb Wiley	11/3
M.J. Brown	11/3
Randy Hoopes	11/3
John Benson	11/4
Titus Wiley	11/4
Harry Brooks	11/5
Landon Walter	11/5
Stephen Sandlund	11/7
Celeste Hawkins	11/8
Jaden Dilbeck	11/8
Lee Canning	11/9
Jill Grubb	11/10
Nick Harden	11/10
Pastor John Silvey	11/11
Carma Benson	11/12
Jesse Benson	11/12
Kurt Allen	11/12
Aubrey Snyder	11/14
Peter Gosnell	11/15
Jimmy Boyd	11/17
Levi Knott	11/17
Del Dunlap	11/18
Scarlet Brown	11/18
Michael Dannemiller	11/18
Don Thomas	11/19
Josh Davis	11/19
Dale Jones	11/19
Myla Annis	11/19
Katherine Gosnell	11/20
Kenny Barbee	11/20
Jerah-Lynn Gahagan	11/20
Celine Ebai	11/22
Hannah Weaver	11/23
Barb Hanna	11/27
Marsha Wiley	11/28
Michelle Combs	11/28

Mike & Jill Grubb	11/4
Rich & Dorothy Miller	11/12
John & Sharon Zigo	11/18
Ed & Janeen Fell	11/20
Ty & Rae Boyd	11/24
Jerry & Val Gahagan	11/24
Mark & Michelle Neal	11/29

FAMILY NOTES

A couple of the **Gosnells** have birthdays this month and would enjoy receiving greetings from their church family as they are away from us...in England!..until Christmas.

Mailing address: 32 Ravensworth Gardens, Cambridge CB1 2XL England

E-mails: pgosnell@muskingum.edu

bee.gosnell@gmail.com

kitkatgosnell@gmail.com

The **Rameys'** address is 534 Clyde Street Zanesville. They have a land line...740-661-4804... however during the day Tod uses it for his work, so Kristi is more easily reached by her cell phone...740-241-2006. You can also contact them by e-mail at their addresses listed in the green directory.

Please continue to keep the family in your prayers as Tod has begun his job, Genna has been seeing many specialists concerning her recently diagnosed psoriatic arthritis, and Jossie's baby is due November 10.

You can still support the Rameys until the end of 2011 through their support fund at **Good Measure International, 785 Harrison Avenue, Charleston IL 61920 (check payable to GMI...noted for the Rameys)**. *Please do not make out checks to the C&MA for them. If you wish to continue supporting the Face of My Father Children's Home, their funding now goes through the Clover Pass Community (C&MA) Church, 105 N. Point Higgins Rd, Ketchikan, AK 99901. Please send any donations directly to them and again, do not make checks out to our church.*

We are in the process of updating our database and revising the church directory. If any of your current directory information is incorrect, or you would like to be added to the new directory, please notify the office ASAP. Thanks.

The Haiti Medical Mission team, of which Tom & Sherry Diehl, John Benson & Karen Hoff are members, are again making and selling homemade apple dumplings to raise money for infant formula for babies born to mothers with AIDS at the Bombardapolis clinic, where they will be working for a week in January (more details about their trip coming soon). There are **two ways you can help** with this fundraiser:



1) Donate ingredients: Gold Medal All-Purpose flour, sugar, Crisco All-Vegetable white shortening, margarine (in tub). Place them in the designated box in the foyer at church.

2) Buy the finished product: Apple dumplings are \$2 each and are delivered frozen and unbaked. Sign up on the sheet on the foyer bulletin board.

They will be making the apple dumplings up to Thanksgiving, so get your orders and ingredient donations in ASAP. Call John Benson (819-2346) or Karen Hoff (297-1167) with any questions.

NOVEMBER 2011

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<p>6 8:30 am "Heritage" service 9:30 am Sunday school 10:45 Special "Generators" 4 pm Choir Caritata practice 5 pm Youth band & KK special 6 pm Sobed Out & KK full choir 7:30 pm Youth Haiti trip mtg.</p>		<p>1 Rick & Andrea Jones leave for Mission Trip to FOMF, Mexico 6:30 pm Deaconess mtg.</p>	<p>2 6 pm Baptism Class 6:30 pm King's Kids 7 pm Adult Prayer meeting 7 pm Youth Bible studies at Sandlunds'</p>	<p>3 9:30 am Women's Bible study</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 9 am All-Church Work Day Fall Yard Clean-up 10 am & 12 pm Shine Dance Daylight Saving Time ends: Set clocks BACK</p>
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	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 6:30 pm King's Kids 7 pm Adult Prayer meeting 7 pm Youth Bible studies at Sandlunds'</p>	<p>December 1 9:30 am Women's Bible study (last lesson)</p>		<p>December 3 10 am Friendship Party & Moms' Christmas Gathering 5:30 pm Adult Progressive Dinner @ various homes</p>

Fall Women's Retreat (thru Sunday)

the ZCMA Connection

The Christian and Missionary Alliance Church
545 Richey Road
Zanesville, OH 43701

Return Service requested

the ZCMA Connection November 2011



"I will praise the name
of God with a song;
I will magnify him
with thanksgiving."

Psalm 69:30, NASV

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Senior Pastor: Rev. Andrew Winters

Asst. Pastor, Youth and Worship: Rev. John Silvey

Church Office Secretary: Lynne Thomas

Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 am & 10:45 am

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. (infants through adults)

Wednesday Activities: King's Kids at 6:30 pm, adult prayer at 7 pm, Youth Bible studies at 7 pm at a home nearby...call for details

Small group ministries available (call church office for current schedule)

We are an "Accessible Congregation." People with disabilities are welcome!



Browse our website at www.zanesvillecma.org