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church news.*

Thanks Giving Gives Us A Lot

In late September, I saw Christmas decorations displayed in a local department store. It seems like stores start selling Christmas decorations earlier and earlier each year.

Christmas is special; because that is the day we celebrate the birth of Jesus. But it's easy to forget about Thanksgiving. Even when we remember Thanksgiving it gets lost with the turkey, pumpkin pie, and football games. Don't get me wrong, I love that aspect of Thanksgiving and it brings great opportunities to fellowship with family and friends. However, with the rush of Christmas and the onslaught of food and football, we should not forget the purpose of Thanksgiving. It is to give thanks.

And it is good for us to give thanks, for giving thanks gives us a lot. When we give thanks, we acknowledge God. Every time we say thanks to someone else, we are also saying thanks to God.

I have discovered that it is impossible to be angry and resentful and thankful at the same time. When we give thanks we build friendships, grow a spirit of humility and we even benefit with our overall health. Growing the spirit of gratitude promotes health as it fuels our mind, spirit and body with peace, joy, respect, love and generosity.

It is good to give thanks! Don't jump past Thanksgiving to get to Christmas. In fact, make every day a Thanksgiving day and you will be given so much!

Grateful, Thankful and Blessed

Pastor Tim

Hillcrest Happenings

HWF (ABW)
Sat Nov 8th

Packing Party
Sun Nov 9th 1 pm

Vision Team Meeting
Thurs Nov 13th 6:15 pm

Thanksgiving
Sun Nov 27th

Operation Christmas Child we are items for Operation Christmas Child. Not sure what to buy? Grab a flyer on the Coffee Bar,



or, Operation Christmas Child has a list on Amazon of recommended purchases. [Click here](#) or scan the QR Code with your phone to see the list!

We will be doing a **Packing Party** on November 9th after church - all are welcome - and lunch will be provided. Sign up at the Coffee Bar.



Family Fall Day at the Farm - From hayrides to apple cider—this annual event delivered with all of the fall fun!



Trunk or Treat - We enjoyed beautiful weather for this annual fellowship opportunity. Who do you think had the best decorated trunk?

