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***To seek,
nurture,
and equip
people to be
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Jesus Christ***

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Steve's Sentiments

What's Ahead for the New Year?

What does the new year hold for Lubbock's Cumberland Presbyterian Church? Probably more than we can imagine or think. But *one* direction in which we are moving is new to this church, but is as old as Isaiah's description of the work of the Messiah that Jesus reiterated in His charge to His followers: visit those who are in prison.

For over two years I've known Sam Hontz and his passion to see inmates' lives transformed. Last summer, he became chaplain of the new Lubbock County Detention Center; in August, he came to CPC to share his testimony and from that Sunday on he and his family have been worshipping with us. In September, about 30 from our congregation took a field trip to the new detention center and saw first hand the potential for ministry in this facility. In November, Sam met with the deacons who welcomed his vision and plan to enlist congregations to "adopt" one inmate and help them transition out of the cell and into the mainstream of life—never to return to the former lifestyle. There is agreement among deacons, elders and other congregation members that Cumberland should say yes to Chaplain Sam's request that we serve as a pilot church for this new program. My opinion is that the Lord has led us in several ways to this point and that we should continue to follow His lead.

So, what's next? We will be appointing a transition team of four people who will begin the process of developing a relationship with the inmate and assessing a roadmap for him to make the transition. With much prayer, we feel that within six months we should be ready to help walk and pray him through to a new life. Wouldn't that be great? To see a life transformed? And to obey Jesus while doing it!

This is our strategy for 2011's ministry—to watch for God's leading and follow Him! Only He knows all that is ahead for the new year!

~Steve

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Thank You!

We would like to thank you all for your cards, gifts, notes, and well-wishes to our family over the Christmas season. What a blessing you all are to us! May God give you a healthy, blessed 2011 as together we work to seek, nurture and equip people to be committed disciples of Jesus Christ!

The Steve Doles Family

Thank You's

This month's thank you's were too numerous to print. Be sure to look over the many thank you cards posted at the south doors of the church.

Please accept this check to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in memory of my parents, Claud & Clara Young, who were members for many years. It is to be used as you decide is best.

This church played a huge role in our family's life. I was one of five children, and I believe that I can speak for all children in the family that our early Christian education received by the CPC in Lubbock has sustained us for many years. Some of our fondest memories during growing up years are related to our very close-knit youth group. I will thank God for this church always.

~This gift is given by **Claudyne Young Brown**

We want to thank our church family for the prayers, cards and gift packages sent to us recently, and also for the prayers for our son Ron, who is doing very well now. We appreciate all of you, & continue praying for Jack as he continues to have health issues.

In Christian love, **~Thelma & Jack Gerloff**

Dear Friends,

There is a message for the people we serve. It is this, "We hope the box of food you receive from us makes you—whether a child, a senior citizen, or an out-of-work family—feel better. Better by feeding your body but also better by feeding your spirit. People on the South Plains care about you."

Your gift to the South Plains Food Bank passes on the same message. Thank you for being so caring and generous to people who are struggling. Thank you for being a blessing. Thank you for your donation to the GRUB program and the South Plains Food Bank.

~David Weaver, Jr., CEO, South Plains Food Bank

January Birthdays

6—Ty Williams	21—Earline Maddox
12—Don Dennis	26—Bobby Hughes
14—Bettie Woodruff	27—Michael Woodruff
15—Eddie Delavan	30—Greg Akins
17—Will Stewart	31—Sharon Beckham
19—Abbey Beckham	

January Anniversaries

2—Don & Mary Lewis
8—Larry & Robbie Davis Bochantin
27—Kenneth & Pam Davis

CPC & Pantry of Care,

Thank you for all the prayers, good wishes and yellow rose that came my way during my recent illness. God amazed me with such a quick recovery! Thank you, too, for the Christmas basket you sent Jena and me. Jena is doing all right. Your prayers and thoughtfulness are deeply appreciated!

~W. E. & Jena Pierce

Dear Dr. Doles & Joy,

Please accept our heartfelt gratitude for remembering us in your prayers, sending us sermons, calling about our needs, the soul-stirring messages in the *Outlook* and many other Christian acts of love you render to the Coach Lowry family. When Sam Estes told me that you gentle servants of God were a true blessing to our beloved CPC, we rejoiced. (Even your email address is appropriate...JOY AT CPC.) Now we know that this is an understatement; after hearing you preach the Gospel and reading text that exemplify agape, sacrificial love of Christ for our brothers in need and to our little church's hunger for a Shepherd, we know full well that you are GODSENT. This thank you is not well said. I'm a PE major, not a scholar, but we hope that you know that these feelings come from the bottom of our hearts. Pastor Steve and Joy, we would love for you to print this in the *Outlook* and to the Godly brothers and sisters in Christ that give us gimpy ones loving care, please convey our warmest thanks and most fervent prayers. We hope you have a blessed Christmas and New Year.

With love,

~Doris and Coach Cal Lowry

Southcrest Connection

SCS MAKES DONATION TO



FOOD DRIVE ON TV

Student Council members cheer as President Chris Murillo-Rankin, tenth grade SCS student, presents the total of the school's U Can Share Food Drive donation on the Dec. 9 KCBT newscast. SCS donated 2,807 pounds of food. All canned goods collected for the food bank by Cumberland Presbyterian were donated to SCS's efforts.

CHRISTMAS AROUND CUMBERLAND

In Pictures

Kaitlyn and Luke Parsons, Margaret Richardson's grandchildren pictured here at the church's Christmas dinner, took turns reading from the Christmas story in Luke 2 at the Christmas Eve service. Approximately 100 people attended CPC's Evening of Scripture, Carols and Candles on December 24th.



Margaret Richardson (along with other Pantry of Care/CPC Visiting Ministry ladies pictured in right column) helps set up poinsettias when they arrive Dec. 10. There were 60 poinsettias in the sanctuary, dedicated in honor and in memory of our loved ones this Christmas.



We need to take down the Christmas decorations Sunday, January 2nd. Let's plan to be at the church at 3 o'clock to store them away for next year.

Sanctuary Flowers

Please sign up to donate sanctuary flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one. We will need flowers beginning Jan. 2. You may sign up in the narthex or call the office at 792-3553. Please make your payment by mailing your check or dropping it in the offering plate. Be sure to put "flowers" in the memo line of your check.



Cumberland Visiting Ministry
Monday, Jan. 3, at 1:30
in the library
(Everyone welcome!)

Monthly Meetings

Deacons' Meeting (Fell. Hall)	Jan. 10, 6:30
Session Meeting (Library)	Jan. 10, 6:30
Grace Circle (Library)	Jan. 13, 6:30
Caregiver's Support Group (Library)	Jan. 14, 10:00
Ollie Baucom Circle (Fell. Hall)	Jan. 17, 11:30
Christian Ed. Comm. (Library)	Jan. 17, 6:30

Byron Martin attends CPC's Christmas dinner Dec. 12.



Sammy & Elijah Hontz, BayLynn Doles sing "Away in a Manger" Dec. 24.



Cumberland's Pantry of Care & Visiting Ministry make and deliver over 50 Christmas fruit baskets. In addition to CPC's staff & shut-ins, each of Southcrest Christian School's (Cumberland Campus) faculty & staff members received a basket.



Ollie Baucom & Grace Circles serve over 65 church members & friends at the Christmas dinner Dec. 12 in the Estes Center.

Directory Update

Melba Watson has moved to Ventura Place.
 Her address is: 3026 54th Street, Apt. 214,
 Lubbock, TX 79413. Her phone no. is 806.441.7422.

Weekly Meetings

Sunday Services	8:30 & 10:55
Sunday School	9:30
Sunday Coffee Break	10:30
Tuesday Bible Study (Library)	6:30
Tuesday Prayer Clinic (Fireside Room)	7:15
Wednesday CP Achievers	1st Wednesday, 10:30 (potluck in Fellowship Hall)
	Other Wednesdays, 11:00 (at Buns Over Texas)
	Games to follow in Fellowship Hall
Saturday Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café)	8:30

JANUARY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat 1 New Year's Day NO Men's Breakfast Gonzalez Wedding (Sanctuary)
2 Communion Sunday 8:30 Cof. Hse. Worsh. 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Coffee Break 10:55 Classic Worsh. 3:00 Remove Christmas decorations	3 1:30 CVM (Library)	4 6:30 Bible Study (Library) 7:15 Prayer Clinic (Fireside Room)	5 10:30 CPA Pot Luck 12:00 Games (FH)* 7:00 Choir	6	7	8 8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café)
9 8:30 Cof. Hse. Worsh. 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Coffee Break 10:55 Classic Worsh.	10 6:30 Deacons' Mtng. (FH)* Session Meeting (Library)	11 6:30 Bible Study (Library) 7:15 Prayer Clinic (Fireside Room)	12 11:00 CPA (Buns Over TX) 12:00 Games (FH)* 7:00 Choir	13 6:30 Grace Circle (Library)	14 10:00 Caregiver's Support Group (Library)	15 8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café)
16 8:30 Cof. Hse. Worsh. 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Coffee Break 10:55 Classic Worsh.	17 11:30 Ollie Baucom Circle (FH)* 6:30 Christian Ed. Comm (Library)	18 6:30 Bible Study (Library) 7:15 Prayer Clinic (Fireside Room)	19 11:00 CPA (Buns Over TX) 12:00 Games (FH)* 7:00 Choir	20	21	22 8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) 10:00 Prayer Training Conf. (LakeRidge UMC)
23 8:30 Cof. Hse. Worsh. 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Coffee Break 10:55 Classic Worsh.	24	25 6:30 Bible Study (Library) 7:15 Prayer Clinic (Fireside Room)	26 11:00 CPA (Buns Over TX) 12:00 Games (FH)* 7:00 Choir	27	28	29 8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café)
30 8:30 Cof. Hse. Worsh. 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Coffee Break 10:55 Classic Worsh.	31	*FH—Fellowship Hall				

Would you like to receive a free **DVD of Cumberland's Sunday services each week**? Call the CPC office (792.3553) and let us know! Deacons have offered to deliver them and will even purchase a DVD player and install it for you if you don't have one.

Prayer Concerns



Sympathy

Family of Roscoe Buckalew

Service

Turmoil in Korea

Rebecca Kennedy (in basic training)

Judd Latimer (deployed to Persian Gulf)

Jason Westbrook (Albuquerque Police Dept.)

Our military and first responders

General

Cooks' daughter, Christina (wellbeing during pregnancy)

Ken Smith & other Lack's employees (job uncertainty)

Brandon Beckham (job search)

Health/Recovery

Maxine Blakemore (fractured vertebra)

Vicki Lawson (gallbladder surgery Jan. 5)

Robert Drake (heart problems)

Sam Estes (medication adjustments)

Steve Doles (vision problems)

Jena Pierce (medication adjustments)

W. E. Pierce (recovering at home)

Bob Stack (St. Paul's Hospital, Rm. 456 [4 West], 5909 Harry Hines Blvd., UT Southwest Med. Center, Dallas, 214.645.5555)

Gordon Downum (recovering, pacemaker)

Dorothy Leckie (recovering, pacemaker)

Amaris (NICU at UMC)

Shane Stewart (broken hand bone)

Martha Payne (recovering at home)

Jolene Chitwood (abdominal pain)

Cooks' neighbor Angelo (tumor on pancreas)

Wyatt Mackey (infant, brain tumor removed)

Toby Kinslow (flare up of MG improving)

Janet Smith (follow-up therapy)

Kristi Howard (eye tumor)

Jim Bales (back pain)

Jack Gerloff (recovering at home)

Ashley Zimmer (vertigo)

Lisa Lewis (heart problems/pending body scan for additional cancer)

Rhonda Williams (cancer recurrence)

Richard Rodgers (lymphoma)

Laura Anderson (needs liver transplant)

Kingdom Work

Cumberland Presbyterian Church

CPC's ministry to Melonie Park South neighborhood

Ministries of Cumberland:

Pantry of Care Tues. Bible Study & Prayer Clinic

Family Promise Caregivers' Support Group

CP Achievers Cumberland Visiting Ministries

Grace Circle The Session and Diaconate

Ollie Baucom Circle

*Please call the church office
with any prayer request updates.*

(Kingdom Work, cont.)

Other Congregations:

2 Jan. - Indiana Avenue Baptist - Steve McMeans

The Heights Fellowship - Mike Martindale

South Plains Church of Christ - Jim Brewer

9 Jan. - Trinity Church - Carl Toti

The Springs Fellowship - Phil McClendon

16 Jan. - Family Harvest Church - Bracken Christian

International Christian Fellowship - Al Gary, Friends of God - Mike Lewis

23 Jan. - First Christian Church - Michael Passmore

Raintree Christian Church - Brent McCall

Keepers of the Flame - Johnny Davis

30 Jan. - Salvation Ministries - Mark Elvers

Community Baptist Church - Larry Brooks, The Refuge - Travis Zachary

Other Ministries:

Family Promise

Southcrest Christian School

Pray Lubbock

Chaplain Sam Hontz, Lubbock Co. Jail

Save-a-Life Program (at Co. Jail)

Shut-ins & Caregivers

Naomi Hillis

Tom Hudson

Jessie Ingley

Earline Maddux

Etta Powell

Laura Yates

John & MaryLo Thurman

Dorothy Buckalew

Gordon & Virginia Downum

Coach Cal & Doris Lowry

Raymond & Ann McLaren

W. E. & Jena Pierce

Bob & Susan Stack

Maxine Blakemore

TREASURER'S TALK

By Richard Trussell

You can give a gift of stocks or bonds to the church. If the stocks/bonds are worth more than when you acquired them, you can avoid capital gains taxes on the increased value. If you itemize deductions, you can deduct the value of the gift in an amount of up to 30 percent of your adjusted gross income, with a five-year carryover for excess. Note that when stocks/bonds have increased in value, it is to your advantage that you give them to the church rather than selling them first and giving the proceeds to the church. On the other hand, if stocks/bonds are worth less than when you acquired them, you should sell the stock/bonds and give the proceeds to the church. Also, U.S. Savings Bonds cannot be given away during the lifetime of the owner.

It is always good to get advice from an accountant/financial advisor that is familiar with current tax laws. Cumberland Presbyterian Church *does* maintain a brokerage account to facilitate the stock transfer process. The church treasurer can provide more information on the brokerage account.

Stewardship Report, Nov. 2010

	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Avg. Weekly Attendance	86	80
Budgeted Reg. Offering	\$16,667	\$183,333
Actual Reg. Offering	\$15,237	\$192,227
Off. (Under)/Over Budget	(\$1,430)	\$8,894
Other Income Sources	\$10,839	\$99,360
Total Operating Income	\$26,076	\$291,587
Total Operating Expenses	\$29,271	\$267,894
Inc. (Under)/Over Expenses	(\$3,195)	\$23,693
Bldng. Loan Princ. Balance		\$1,305,947.81



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Prayer Training Conference

Sat., Jan. 22, 2011

10 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

LakeRidge UMC

Activity Center

4701 82nd St.

(\$5.00)

Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Pastor: Dr. Steven D. Doles

Pastor Emeritus: Reverend Sam R. Estes

Church Treasurer: Richard Trussell

Worship Director: Ken Smith

Choir Director: Carolyn Hefner

Organist: Sue Suttle-Smith

Housekeeping: Corina Bermea

Administrative Assistant: Joy Doles

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Elders

Diana Akins

Karen Caldwell

Scott Fanning

Tom Martin

Dorothy McCarty

Billy Mitchell

Ken Smith

Susan Stack

Nilah Turner

Deacons

Erin Akins

Candy Baack

Sharon Beckham

Edie Fanning

Linda Freeman

Teresa Hill

Karen Martin

Karen Reid

Bill Turner

Sherry Walton

Mike Westbrook

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays

8:30 Coffee House Worship—Fellowship Hall

9:30 Sunday School classes

10:30 Coffee Break—Fellowship Hall

10:55 Classic Worship—Sanctuary

Tuesdays

6:30 Bible Study—Library

7:15 Prayer Clinic—Fireside Room

Wednesdays

11:00 CPA's Lunch—Buns Over Texas

12:00 Games—Fellowship Hall

7:00 Choir

Saturdays

8:30 Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café