# **Nursery Schedule**

**TODAY**: Kathy Keller

**NEXT SUNDAY**: Carolyn Roberson

**Next Sunday** 

9:30 Family Worship / Jeff and Cara Anger 9:45 Sunday School

6:30 Christmas Program

11:00 Message / Eldon Anderson



The Community Service Committee is sponsoring the

# Angel Tree

The names of our angels, along with the requested gift will be placed on the tree. To assist those in need this Christmas season, please take a name, provide the gift and attach the angel to the wrapped gift.

Return to the branch by December 18. Place the wrapped gift under the tree in the foyer.

Thank you!

#### Tuesday, Dec. 10

#### 7:00 p.m. ELDER'S AND AARONIC COUNCIL'S MEETINGS

#### Wednesday, Dec. 11

**7:00 p.m. PRAYER SERVICE:** Paul Frinsthal presiding with Carl Lemen and Scott Smith assisting.

#### Saturday, Dec. 14

#### 5:30 p.m. "IN-BETWEENERS" CHRISTMAS PARTY!

- White elephant exchange (max \$10)
- Ugly sweater contest (homemade or store bought) prize for best sweater!
- Pizza and hot cocoa bar
- If you are unable to arrange childcare, please come! Kids are always welcome at events hosted in our home.

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#### Sunday, Dec. 15

#### 6:30 p.m. A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:

Anyone who participated in last year's program is invited to participate again. Also, we'd love to see new faces participating this year. Please call Susie Adams (816) 929-5799, as soon as possible so that parts can be assigned.

#### Tuesday, Dec. 17

**10–11:30 a.m. WOMEN'S STUDY CLASS:** We are studying "Jesus and His Message" by Christiana Salyards which can be purchased at the Restoration Bookstore. Next class is January 7.

### Saturday, Dec. 28

#### 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. QUILT AND NEEDLEWORK GROUP:

Crafters who sew, crochet, knit, hand embroider, etc. Remember to bring your own lunch.

#### **Announcements:**

**WOMEN'S BOOK OF MORMON CLASS:** There will not be any BOM classes in December. The next class will be January 14, 2025.



**OFFERING ENVELOPE BOXES:** The offering envelope boxes are being distributed. Please pick up your box soon. Boxes will be distributed to those who have made contributions this year unless

you have told me you prefer not to use the envelopes. If you currently do not have a box of envelopes and would like one or if you have decided you do not need a box please tell Eldon by the end of December. The use of the offering envelope is a good tool to use in helping your children understand the importance of and developing the habit of giving.

#### FREEDOM STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES (FSM) UPDATE:

FSM makes interest-free loans to help pay off high interest debt (9.5% or higher) that people have. These loans are repaid by participants over 50 months. If you have questions about the program, or would like to apply for a loan, please contact Jason Anderson.

To date, over about 6 years, FSM has made loans totaling \$331,083.33, financing 30 loans at about \$11,000 per loan average. 5 of the loans have been fully repaid. 1 loan with about \$6,000 outstanding was written off when the borrower died. 4 loans are currently at least 1 month past due. The remainder are current. About \$150,000 has been repaid to date. Repaid funds are loaned to new borrowers. There is currently about \$78,000 cash on hand available for new loans.

FSM funds the loans it makes through contributions by individuals and branches. Colbern Road has voted to contribute 20% of our oblation fund balance at the beginning of each year. You may contribute by making a check payable to Conference of Restoration Elders and putting FSM in the memo line. Mail the check to PO Box 4085, Independence, MO 64051. Or, you may contribute online at eldersconference.org



#### New this week:

Rita Godfrey Dot Burch

Sara Fohn's father-in-law

Sam & Eloise Smith

Vicky Winters

Jared Anderson

Lynn Berry

Lina's friend, Jaden

Tammy's mom, Twila

Jane & Steve Leonard

David Jackson & Family

Lucky Gash & Family

Melanie Schrader

Diane Voss Family

Gary Abramson Family

David Williamson Family

Gary Osterman Family

## **Continued Prayers:**

Brandon Wilson Cindy Vanarsdall

Beckett Thomas – chemo

# Children's Book of Mormon Stories by Beth Spencer

A special thank you to Colbern Road for donating \$21,946.62 for Beth's book. These dollars enabled the Book of Mormon Foundation to print her book.



# **POWER OF THE CROSS**

#### Instructions:

Cross out all words that may be considered a sin or something that would be wrong in God's eyes.

BITTERNESS	JESUS	CHEATING	WICKEDNESS	JEALOUSY	GOSSIP	SAID
HATE	UNFAITHFULNESS	FILTHY TALK	FATHER	LYING	IMMORALITY	LAZINESS
FORGIVE	ARGUING	STUBBORN	SLANDER	COVETING	IDOLATRY	SLANDER
MURDER	THEM	KILLING	BLASPHEMY	ADULTRY	FOR	SELFISHNESS
STEALING	SLANDER	RAGE	STINGY	THEY	GREED	DO
SWEARING	ENVY	ARROGANCE	NOT	PRIDE	GLUTTONY	QUARRELSOME
FOOLISHNESS	KNOW	COMPLAINING	LUST	HYPOCRACY	IMPURITY	STEALING
WHAT	GAMBLING	THEY	RACISM	WICKEDNESS	ARE	WORRY
UNKINDNESS	PRIDE	DOING	DOING EVIL	BOASTING	ANGER	DISOBEDIENCE



As Jesus died on the cross between two criminals, He asked His Father to do something very special for all of us. Write down the remaining words, in order, on the lines below to find out what Jesus said.

# The Restoration Christmas Choir and Orchestra

invite you to join us for a musical celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior,

# JESUS CHRIST



Fall on your knees!

O hear the angel voices!

O night divine, O night

when Christ was born!

### **Worship Service Dates:**

#### Sunday, December 15

Song Service - 6:15 p.m.
Worship Service - 6:30 p.m.
Waldo Avenue Restoration Branch
819 West Waldo Avenue
Independence, MO

#### Sunday, December 22

Song Service - 10:45 a.m. Worship Service - 11:00 a.m. Atherton Restoration Branch 4910 North Main Street Atherton, MO

For more information, visit https://sites.google.com/view/restoration-choir/home or contact Larry and Diane Ward at laward.01@gmail.com



# Holiday Pancake Breakfast & Holiday Bazaar

to support ARM (African Restoration Ministries)

Saturday, December 14 8:30 – 11:00 a.m. at Living Hope Restoration Branch

There will be a holiday hello from Africa at 8:30 a.m. and Wynterlane will be performing Christmas classics from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Also, enjoy a holiday cookie sale and several vendors.

For more information contact Dayn and Janellen Cederstrom (816) 315-6797 or dajaceder@gmail.com.

We also would like to ask the ladies of the branch for donations of holiday cookies for the cookie sale. They can be plated by the dozen or just drop them off and we will plate them for you.

Our goal is 50 dozen cookies.

Thank you for your support, Dayn and Janellen Cederstrom