



E-vangel

Daily Blessings . . . by Pastor Larry

*"Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation."
Psalm 69:19 KJV*

We have now officially entered the "holiday season". I know that many include Halloween in this season, but I think most of them must be retailers. For my part, Halloween can be fun, but it has nothing to do with the wonder of Thanksgiving and Christmas! Of all the major American holidays, I have to confess that Thanksgiving is my personal favorite. For just a few days or weeks at the most almost everyone is compelled to consider their blessings, treasures, good fortune, or whatever else we may want to call the things that stir our souls with gratitude. (Pity the atheist who has no one to whom to give thanks.)

While our national holiday falls once a year late in November, the Bible declares that we are blessed every day. In fact, it is not just that we are blessed; we are loaded with these daily blessings. Who loads us thus? God himself is the bestower of this daily load.

Here's an event I invite you to visualize: A husband stands in the store with his wife who has made many Christmas purchases. He extends his arms, and she piles him with gift upon gift until he literally cannot take one more. He is being loaded with blessings. That is what God does for us on a daily basis!

Now here's what I intend to do every day from now until Thanksgiving: I'm going to picture my life being daily loaded with benefits from God's generous hand, and I'm going to make a list of those benefits daily so that I may give Him daily thanks for His daily blessings. Join me, won't you?



Saturday, November 5

DRC Thanksgiving Dinner



Date: Sunday, November 20th

Time: 6:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.



Cost: \$5/person

Each family is asked to bring a dessert
Tickets on sale on Sunday's through Nov. 13



From Your Elders



Your elders will be presenting some very important information to the church along with our proposal regarding the DRC financial situation during the morning worship service on November 20. We know that many of you have been praying for us as we have sought the Lord's help and direction over these past months. Out of those prayers and our own as well we have come to the place that we are prepared to share with you on the 20th of this month.

We want to urge you to make certain that you are here for the presentation. Also, we are asking you to pray for us even more as we prepare the actual presentation asking the Lord to give us the ability to communicate clearly, accurately, and with His anointing on both speakers and hearers.

Thank you for your prayers. We are looking forward to what the Lord will do with us all together in the days to come.

In Christ's love,
Your Elders

Missions

National Mission Update

Date of Journey: March 11-17, 2012
Project Destination: Cleveland, TN
Project Cost: \$400 total (\$150 deposit due by December 1)
Project Mission: To show the love of Jesus to those in need at the Community Kitchen in Cleveland, TN and to encourage those in service at the Community Kitchen.

Please submit completed application to velderfamily@sbcglobal.net or to the mission box at the DRC office with a \$150 non-refundable deposit designated to your trip cost by December 1st.

International Mission Update

Applications for a July 2012, evangelistic trip to Zirowbe, Uganda are available in the church office, on the web, or from Amy Velder. More details will follow in the Evangel next month.

Change for Uganda

How is the change collection going? There is less than a month left!! Keep filling up your water jug to bring back to the family Thanksgiving Dinner at DRC. All of the change is going towards the long-term well project in Zirowbe, Uganda. The goal is for each family at DRC to contribute \$100. Can we reach our goal of \$3000?

Empower A Child Update

DRC has recently sponsored a child from Zirowbe, Uganda. Your 5th Sunday giving has made this possible! Reagan Setala is 9 years old and his picture and bio can be found on the Mission Board at church. Reagan would love to receive mail from DRC members. He can receive mail by sending it to Empower A Child, P.O.Box 1505, Ridgecrest, CA 93556. Be sure to include information about our church and your family in the correspondence that you send. Please use the church address as the return address to avoid confusion for the organization. If you are interested in sponsoring a child from Uganda or Kenya, please see Amy Velder for more information.



EMPOWER A CHILD
UGANDA

Birthday: June 23, 2002

Reagan Setala lives in Nawabango-Zirowbe with his father, mother and siblings. His parents struggle to care for him and his siblings. They have limited income because they are farmers, and do not have enough to pay for his basic needs & school fees.

Reagan is currently in Primary School. His best subject is Drawing. When he is not in school he loves playing football. He wants to be a Policeman when he grows up.

Reagan Setala - 9 yrs old

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www.empower-a-child.org

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Ridgecrest, CA 93556

Local Mission Update

The Food Ministry at DRC is growing!

Our Wednesday Night Dinners provided 70 free meals to the American Inn on Wednesday, November 2, 2011. It was a very rainy night, but a very blessed night. We plan to continue taking these meals on the First Wednesday of every month. Our next distribution will be on Wednesday, December 7, 2011. Your purchase of a meal at Wednesday Night Dinners and giving to Fifth Sunday Mission Offerings have helped to underwrite the cost of providing these meals to a very needy group of people.

The Food Pantry needs are continuing to expand. We continue to see new families seeking help each week. Please remember to pickup a few extra items each week and drop them off in the Food Pantry container located in the foyer. Suggested items: **Microwave popcorn, cereal, soup, rice, bread, ground beef/turkey, canned fruit/vegetables, granola/cereal bars.**

Please pray that the Lord would continue drawing those in need to DRC to provide for their needs both physically and spiritually. Thank you for your part in "doing unto the least of these".

If you feel the Lord calling you to serve within the Food Ministry please see Robyn Cross, Rhonda Dye, or Amy Velder!



Wednesday Night Dinners **6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.** **(Suggested donation of \$2/person)**



November 9

Taco Soup
Salad
Mixed berries

November 16

Chicken and Rice
Green Beans
Peaches

November 23

No Meal
Thanksgiving Break

November 30

Turkey Pot Pie
Peaches
Cool Whip

Awana Fundraiser

Do you love to bake? Do you love to make handmade crafts/gifts? Do you know someone who does? Do you love to buy homemade baked goods and crafts? If so, we need your help.

In the month of December Awana is having a Christmas Craft/Bake Sale to raise money for the Awana Club. We will have tables set up on Wednesday nights with items for you to purchase.

We need some volunteers to donate items for us to sell as well as volunteers to buy donated items.

With the money we raise, we would like to give the kids a swim party in February and to help with the Awana Grand Prix in March.

Please let me know how you can help.
Jamie Nitz 578-5251



Youth



UNITED

9:30 A.M. - 10:20 A.M.
Sunday mornings

*Please come to the
Youth Room and enjoy a snack.
Sunday Morning: 9:15 - 9:30 A.M.
Wednesday Evening: 6:30 - 6:45 P.M.*

The Way

All Youth 6th-12th grade
Wednesday Nights
6:45-8:15 pm



MARK YOUR CALENDAR
YOUTH LASER TAG
Saturday
November 12, 2011
More Information to Come
Watch for announcements

**THE ROCK & WORSHIP
ROADSHOW**

FALL 2011

**STILL ONLY
\$10
AT THE DOOR**

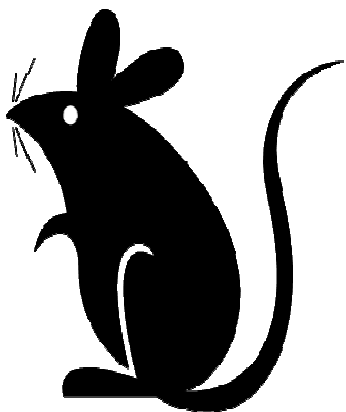
Saturday, November 19, 2011
Sprint Center
Leave DRC at 1:30 p.m.
Doors Open 4:30 p.m.
Tickets Still Only \$10 at the Door
Drivers and/or Vans Needed

<http://therockandworshiproadshow.com>

For Bands and Information

**THE ROCK & WORSHIP
ROADSHOW**

CHARLIE CHURCHMOUSE...from a corner



Turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, gravy, pie, gravy, cake, cookies, salad, and, oh, did I mention gravy? These are a few of my favorite things at the annual DRC Thanksgiving Banquet. Calendar the date, Churchpeople, **November 20**; you will be feasting on all of the above, and I will be helping you with real Thanksgiving, believe you me.

Of course, there will be those Appreciation Grams as well. I know some of you really like telling others what blessings they are to you, and I even suppose some of you like to read those nice words about yourself. But, they would all mean a little more to me if you would spill a spoon of gravy on them. In fact, I think I have a genius idea: let's re-name them-Apprecigravy Grams! Yeah, that's the ticket. Apprecigravy Grams. Who wouldn't be doubly grateful to get one of those beauties?

Better be makin' tracks,

cc

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