

**C.R.E.W. LINES**  
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**DECEMBER 18 AND 25, 2011**

Life Below the Surface, 2011-12: A challenging journey into the mysteries of the deep.

*Merry Christmas...Happy New Year!*

Verse for the week: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests." Luke 2:14 (NIV)

**Christmas Open House in the Youth House**

Just like last year, we will host the church family after the Adult Choir Christmas Musical tonight. We will turn on the lights and straighten up the decorations for all to see. Please invite your family to come over and fellowship with us.

**Men's High School Basketball Practice today from 2:30-4:00 unless otherwise directed by the coaching staff.**

**MOVIE NIGHT!**

**Bring a beanbag, a blanket, or your favorite cushion, and come join us on December 28 for MOVIE NIGHT! We won't be having any activities at the church that evening, but we will gather together, set up the big screen, and gather around to watch a movie, eat some popcorn, etc. It would be a great opportunity to bring a friend or several with you. Space will not be a problem for this one! Eat before you come, and we will start at 7:30. Should be finished up by 11:00.**

**Winter Retreat...Sign up to Ski/Snowboard**

If you are going on the Winter Retreat, please sign up for your preference (ski, snowboard, etc.). The signup sheet is located in the hallway of the Youth House by the stairway. I mailed you a letter this past week if you had signed up to go. If you signed up a friend, I likely didn't have the address for that person, so I sent theirs to you. If you get your friend's packet, please forward it on to them and try to get their address to me ASAP. Thanks.

**MISSION TRIPS - Update**

**Thanks to everyone who has signed up for the Mission Trips for next summer. I am assuming that everyone who was interested has signed up. The lists have been removed from the bulletin board. If you haven't paid your \$50 deposit and have not made other arrangements with me, please either pay today or let me know if you need an extension. If you want to sign up, there is now a waiting list, but you need to tell me quickly. I will try and add you when I pay the deposit in a few weeks. Remember, it is easier to remove your name than add it. I can probably get you in if you act quickly. Please don't let this opportunity pass you by. Trips are listed below:**

1. The Middle School Mission Trip for next summer is to Vero Beach/Ft. Pierce, Florida...June 11-16. If you want to go, **DEPOSITS OF \$50 ARE ALREADY DUE. Pay in the Youth House on Sunday/Wednesday or through the church office.** Total cost of the trip is \$249.00, but that will be reduced through fund raising. Hopefully, you will not have to pay over \$100.00, if even that much.
2. The High School/College Mission trip is to Lake Providence, Louisiana...July 7-14. This is an area of extreme need, and they need many to participate. Please consider going. We need at least as many if not more than last summer. **DEPOSITS OF \$50 ARE ALREADY DUE. Pay in the Youth House on Sunday/Wednesday or through the church office.** Total cost for the trip will be \$260.00, but that will be reduced through fund raising. Hopefully, you will not have to pay over \$100.00, if even that much.

**Scheduled Fund Raisers**

1. Friends and Family Night, February 25.
2. Parade of Tables, March 17.
3. Guys Car Show, June 2 (Rain date June 9).
4. Golf Tournament, TBA.

**CASWELL SIGN -UPS ARE UNDERWAY! SIGN UP TODAY IF YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN GOING. The deadline is Wednesday, December 28. Reservation requests will be mailed January 1. The theme for next summer is "Ethics: Choosing to do the right thing, even when no**

one else is around." I have already been in contact with the Caswell staff, and this summer's theme and program personalities promise to be very, very powerful and timely  
**Remember also that you need to put INVASION on your spring calendar for April 19-22!**

### ARE YOU READING THE BIBLE THROUGH THIS YEAR?

Below are the passages for this week and next:

Sunday, December 18: Obadiah; Revelation 9

Tuesday, December 20: Micah 1-3; Revelation 11

Thursday, December 22: Micah 6-7; Revelation 13

Saturday, December 24: Habakkuk 1-3; Revelation 15

Monday, December 26: Haggai 1-2; Revelation 17

Wednesday, December 28: Zechariah 5-8; Revelation 19

Friday, December 30: Zechariah 13-14; Revelation 21

Monday, December 19: Jonah 1-4; Revelation 10

Wednesday, December 21: Micah 4-5; Revelation 12

Friday, December 23: Nahum 1-3; Revelation 14

Sunday, December 25: Zephaniah 1-3; Revelation 16

Tuesday, December 27: Zechariah 1-4; Revelation 18

Thursday, December 29: Zechariah 9-12; Revelation 20

Saturday, December 31: Malachi 1-4; Revelation 22

Sunday, January 1: Genesis 1-3; Matthew 1



"180" will resume on Wednesday, January 4 at 6:30 in the Youth House.

### *Hang Time*

*Hang Time will resume on Wednesday, January 4 from at 6:00. This is a great time to pay for trips and just get to know each other a little better.*

**The Guys/The Gems** will be not be meeting today because of the Adult Choir Musical tonight. **The Guys** will not need to pack for **Backpack Buddies** this week. Gift Cards were sent to their families instead. Just so that you will know, **The Gems** went shopping last week and bought Christmas presents for one of the families with the money that they raised at the Purse Extravaganza. Five of the other families are getting Christmas dinner delivered to them because of the generosity of some of our adult Sunday School classes. Your ministries have been an integral in bringing the joy of Christ's birthday to these families!

**ignite Light the Fire!** Your next rehearsal will be on Wednesday, January 4. You will be working on the Dessert Dinner Theatre and two promotional videos to be aired soon.

### East to West

You will be providing the instrumental pre-service music for the 11:00 worship service this morning. If you are part of the instrumental ensemble playing this morning, please meet in the sanctuary at 10:15 for sound checks and a quick run-through. High school and middle school vocalists will resume rehearsal on January 8 at 4:30. This evening, after the Christmas Musical, any of you who have music ready can play during the Christmas Open House. **IMPORTANT: If you play a band or orchestra instrument and would be willing to play for worship, please let me know. I need to get a list of everyone who can play an instrument. We also need singers, guitarists, bassists, drummers, keyboardists, etc. to join up with the newly formed middle school band. If you attended earlier in the year but have not been coming recently, we have additional leadership now and can begin working with you. We will likely not rehearse formally again until after Christmas...perhaps even into January, but we need you immediately when we resume.**

### Upcoming Dates...Please calendar these today!

**Today:**

**Adult Christmas Musical dress rehearsal with IMFC at 4:30; Musical at 7:00; East to West instrumental ensemble possibly provides pre-service music at 6:45; Christmas Open House reception at Youth House following musical presentation. December 21: No activities**

**December 20:**

**Caroling with the adults...6:00**

**December 24:**

**Christmas Eve service at 5:00**

**December 25:**

**Morning Worship service 11:00**

**December 28:**

**Christmas Break Big Screen Movie Night/Dinner**

**Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year!**

**David and the Student Ministry Leadership Team (S.M.L.T.)**