

Family Life

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Annual Orphan Sunday Set for November 8

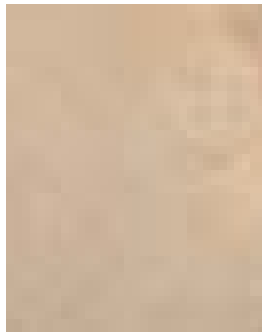
The 15th Annual Orphan Sunday sponsored by the Churches of Christ Orphan's Lifeline International, is set for Sunday, November 8. This is a special opportunity to help support thousands of children who reside in eight countries, including Haiti, India, Kenya, Mexico, Pakistan, the Philippines, Russia and Uganda.

The Orphan's Lifeline of Hope is a 501 (c) 3 Non-profit. For each dollar donated, the organization sends \$.89 to the orphanages.

It is estimated that there are 143 MILLION orphans, although this number does not include the uncounted children who reside in the sewers and the garbage heaps and the streets around the world.

In the lobby there are posters for this year's special day. Featured is **Jessy**, a beautiful little girl who is wearing her "favorite" dress. She is a living example of the work of Orphan's Lifeline International.

Born in one of the slums in southern India, she was just six months old when her father was killed in an accident. One morning she woke up to find that her mother, after struggling alone without income or



support, had abandoned her. Neighbors in an already impoverished community did the best they could, but during the day Jessy was left by herself, and was tied up for her own protection. At that point, the director of the closest children's home was authorized to place her in their care.

Since then, she has become a happy child who has love and care, her own bed, her own clothes and friends. She attends school and church and is free to be a child. But the real joy of this story is that Jessy's mother has reclaimed her child and the two are now reunited.

But hundreds and thousands of children are waiting for their turn, or even just for a meal or a warm, safe place to sleep.

In addition, millions of children "age out" of homes and programs, and enter the world without family, skills or the means to care for themselves. They drift into lives of crime, or become the victims of human trafficking or die young from disease and malnutrition. Lifeline seeks to reverse this trend with the children they help.

It is so easy to make a donation. **Please make out your check to the "Orphans Lifeline of Hope," and give it to any one of the elders on either Nov. 8 or 15.** The checks will be collected and transmitted to the organization which will mail you a letter for your tax deductible donation.

Annual Men's Retreat Set for Nov. 6-7 at Camp WaMaVa

All men are invited to the annual **Men's Retreat** set for Nov. 6-7 at Camp WaMaVa. The event will begin on Friday with a "meet and greet time" from 5 to 7 pm, followed by a dessert fellowship and concluding with a devotional by Wayne Doran and Joseph Tucker on "Walking As a Servant." Please have dinner before coming.

After breakfast at 8 am on Saturday, Oliver McDaniel and Steve Dasher will present "Walking As a Family," and Bill Kincaid will lead "Walking in Humility."

After a cookout, the event will conclude with a prayer session around "**Walking in the Ways of the Lord.**"

Volunteers are needed for activities. There is no fee.

The **Ladies Bible Class** will have a **Potluck Lunch** on Tuesday, October 27, at NOON. All ladies are invited to bring a covered dish and enjoy food and fellowship with us.

*All ladies are invited to a
Baby Shower honoring*

*on Sunday, November 15 at 5 pm
in room 123, in the office wing.*

**Congregational Prayer Request for
October 25, 2015 – Pray that all of our sick
will get well and be able to return to our
fellowship very soon.**

To Celebrate Progress and Continue the Work and Collect School Supplies are Goals of Next Ethiopian Trip by Habtu Zemech Nov. 27-Dec. 14

“I wanted to share with you the great things that are happening in Ethiopia because of your continued support and love,” stated Habtu Zemech as he prepares for his second trip to his home country this year.

He noted that four young men - who are deaf and have been brought up in the orphanage - have received their diplomas. Two have completed work at the Addis Ababa University and two from Entoto Technical and Vocational Training College. The Church of Christ Orphanage has been their home for most of their lives, and have been supported with transportation, clothing and school supplies from “My Neighbors,” the 501 (c) (3) organization established to help fund a wide variety of needs and projects all over the country. They are shown in photos below.

Habtu went on, “In addition to their academic achievement these young men are leaders of the deaf community in the Addis Ababa church, and their education will help them compete and find jobs to help themselves to continue to be an instrument to the Lord’s work in the deaf community.”



Antew Tsegaw & Antenh Tefera with diplomas Berhanu Worku & Petros Tesfaye at graduation

Another major component of “My Neighbors” is providing the necessary one-year support for children with

club foot to undergo corrective surgery. “Many today are able to live a normal life like other children in their village and able to go to school without any shame,” Habtu noted about this special effort. “This effort also is becoming a way of attracting people to the gospel and many are joining the church. In places where there is no church, people are willing to give land to build a church building.”

About one half of the 69 children currently registered for this life-altering operation have been helped, and no more children will be registered until additional funding is available to help them.

At right are the most recent six children who were transported to the



hospital in Addis Ababa during August. Also shown are some of the crutches collected for the patients.



The school and clothing supplies he hopes to distribute during his next trip include shoes and clothes for children and toddlers PLUS pens, pencils, erasers, markers, crayons and rulers. Note that the list DOES NOT INCLUDE paper or notebooks which are too expensive to ship. If you would like to contribute funds or supplies, please do so by Nov. 22.



GRACE + PEACE
A. B. J.

Revelation Coming Soon



One of the most misunderstood and abused section of the Bible is the book of Revelation. To clear up some of the misunderstandings, the Upper Room Teen Ministry’s Sunday morning class will be studying Revelation. We will carefully examine the themes, activity and cultural messages we find. The big lesson we will find is that we have a great hope in our LORD and the LORD has something awesome planned for creation in the new beginning to come!



Power House 2015 is coming to the Fairfax Church of Christ - November 6 - 8, 2015

This is a great time for us to meet teens from around the area and to be encouraged in our walk with Christ. Registration is \$35 and permission/medical release forms have been emailed out and handed out in classes. For more information visit - <http://fxcc.org/powerhouse> or scan (at right).

November 2015

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 John 3-6 <i>Central Agape Group lunch</i> <i>Orphans' Sunday During Worship</i> <i>Trunk or Treat after pm service</i>	2 John 7-9	3 John 10-12	4 John 13-15	5 John 16-18	6 John 19-21 <i>Powerhouse</i> <hr/> <i>Men's</i>	7 Haggai 1-2; Acts 1-2 <i>Youth Rally @ Fairfax</i> <hr/> <i>Retreat @ Camp</i> → <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm FH</i>
8 Acts 3-6 @ Fairfax → <i>2nd Sunday Potluck Lunch; NO PM ASSEMBLY</i>	9 Acts 7-9	10 Acts 10-12 <i>Ladies Bible Class, 10:15</i>	11 Acts 13-15  Veterans Day	12 Acts 16-18 <i>Senior Saints Fall Luncheon, 11:30 am, FH</i>	13 Acts 19-21	14 Acts 22-25 <i>Budget Mtg. @ 9 am—noon</i> <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm FH</i>
15 Acts 26-28; Rom 1 <i>Baby Shower for Mia Lee-Lindsay, 5 pm, R. 123</i>	16 Rom 2-4	17 Rom 5-7 <i>Ladies Bible Class, 10:15</i>	18 Rom 8-10	19 Rom 11-13	20 Rom 14-16	21 1 Cor 1-4 <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm FH</i>
22 1 Cor 5-8 <i>Annual Harvest Festival During PM Service</i>	23 1 Cor 9-11	24 1 Cor 12-14	25 1 Cor 15-16; 2 Cor 1	26 2 Cor 2-4 <i>Thanksgiving Holiday—Office Closed</i> 	27 2 Cor 5-7	28 2 Cor 8-11 <i>Spanish Worship & Dinner, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
29 2 Cor 12-13; Gal 1-2 <i>Essentials Class after am worship</i> <i>5th Sunday Singing during pm worship</i>	30 Gal 3-5					

General Information

For Children:

- ❖ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room - located adjacent to the Assembly Center - are available during our assembly.
- ❖ For ages 2 through Pre-Kindergarten, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 & 221. Children are dismissed following communion.

Recordings:

Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our website after about four days.

Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

Nursery Attendants

October 25, 2015

Morning

Joanne Carter
Gayla Keller

Evening

Janice McDaniel

November 1, 2015

Morning

Kristine Spraker
TBA

Evening

Janice McDaniel

Children's Worship

October 25, 2015

2/3s Abby Smith, Anna Souza

P/K Jessi Arevalo, Carolina Alvarez

November 1, 2015

2/3s Courtney Burch, Jennifer Ellis

P/K Misty Marshall, Wendy Ward

Worship Today, October 25, 2015

Hymn #233 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Hymn #58 *A Charge to Keep I Have*

Prayer *Beni Venkatesan*

Hymn #383 *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*

Communion/Collection *Habtu Zemech*

Hymn #480 *Blessed Assurance*

(Children ages 2 through Pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship)

Bible Reading (2 Peter 2) *Matt Benskys*

Bible Lesson *Mike Tune*

Hymn #226 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Announcements *Steve Dasher*

Introduction of Visitors/Closing Prayer *Kelvin Hatcher*

Song Leader *Bill Kincaid*

Ushers *Grant Smith, Daniel Williams*

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John Waterston will lead singing this evening; Barry Smith and Oliver McDaniel will lead the prayers.

Oct. 25 Servers: Brian Ellis, Frank Estes, Jeff Malcolm, Dave Miller, John Reagan & Clark Richardson

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Classes 9:30 am

Morning Assembly 10:30 am

Evening Assembly 6:00 pm

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class 10:15 am

(October through April)

Wednesday

7:15 pm

Office Hours

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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Elders

Steve Dasher

Wayne Doran

Bill Kincaid

Jim Lane

Oliver McDaniel

Joseph Tucker

Deacons

Roberto Alvarez

Jose Arevalo

Ben Bohannon

Brian Collins

Ignacio Espinoza

John Reagan

Saul Reyes

Wilfredo Reyes

Hal Swetnam

Jonah Shumate

Kevin Thie

John Waterston

Ken Yeatman

Habtu Zemech

Missionaries

Kevin & Deanna Amores, Concepción, Chile

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI

Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua

Henry & Rosa Gutierrez, Nicaragua

Gene & Janice Luna, WBI/Guatemala

Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Lewistown, PA

Mike Tune, Amazing Grace International

Jay & Piera Young, Italy & Ukraine

Habtu Zemech, My Neighbors, Ethiopia

Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*

Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*

Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

Kelly Shumate, *Secretary*

Statistics

Sunday, October 18, 2015

Bible Study 164

Morning Assembly 260

Evening Assembly 80

Contribution \$ 8,243

YTD Average \$11,935

Budget Goal \$12,725

Wednesday, October 21, 2015

Classes & Online 75

Wednesday, October 28

Prayer - Kelvin Hatcher

Song Leader - Clark Richardson