

# THE CHRISTIAN CALLER

Stockton Christian Church Newsletter

## TUNNELL'S VISION

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The Christmas season is upon us and even though it gets packed full of hustle and bustle and busier each year, it is still one of the greatest seasons of the year. My family and I enjoy the beautiful lights and decorations that are everywhere and we love to watch the transition of homes as they take on the holiday cheer. Every time Nova sees lights she begins to exclaim, "Look, its Christmas!"

Christmas lights are a spectacular thing, whether they are white or multi color; they still always grab your attention. But then isn't that what Christmas lights are for;

they also should remind us of a much greater light that came into this world many years ago. That light is the light of the world; Jesus Christ. John 12:46 reminds us, "I have come as light into the world so that whoever believes in me would not stay in darkness." God sent His Son into the world so that we might be saved; so that we might see our way through the darkness and evil of this world.

He has also asked us to be a light for Him in this world. Jesus tells us in Matthew that we are the light of the world and then gives us instructions to "Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Just like Christmas lights grab the attention of those who see them, the things that we do

should be seen for God's glory and not our own.

It is my prayer for each of us this Christmas that we let our lights shine for Him. When we were young we sang the song This Little Light of Mine, I'm gonna let it shine," may we live out the song as we shine all over Stockton town.

Merry Christmas!

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## Memorial Poinsettia Orders

There is still time to order a poinsettia. The poinsettias will be displayed in the foyer and sanctuary Mid-December and may be picked up following the Christmas Eve service. To order a poinsettia, fill out a form in the church foyer or online at our website. Cost is \$10 each.

Orders must be submitted by December 5th.



## Annual Church Meeting December 6, 6pm

LOCATION: Sanctuary

All members are encouraged to attend the Annual Church meeting as we discuss 2021 & vote for our elders & deacons.



## Women's Christmas Brunch December 11, 10am

LOCATION: Activity Center

Ladies of all ages are welcome to attend "I'd Rather Have Jesus than Silver & Gold" Christmas Brunch. It will be potluck style, please bring a brunch dish to share.



## Christmas Choir Special December 12, 10:30am

Everyone is invited to sing in the choir.

Rehearsals will be 8:30am to 9:15 am on

Sun, December 5 & 12

If 1 or 2 rehearsals are all your schedule allows, that's ok. All are welcome to participate.

Questions? See Gaila Beach, Volunteer Music Coordinator



## PJs & Pancakes December 12, 5-7:30pm

LOCATION: Stockton Christian Church Gym  
Summit Kids are invited to an exciting Christmas Party at the church. They can wear their PJs and enjoy a party with breakfast for dinner, gingerbread nativity scenes, games, a movie, and a time to remember the real meaning of Christmas.

Kids may invite their friends. Parents please let us know how many will be joining us for the party.



## The Wandering 1's December 13, 4pm

The Wandering 1's will be taking a Christmas Lights tour on Monday, December 13. They will leave the church at 4pm.



## Christmas Eve Service December 24, 6:00pm

LOCATION: Sanctuary

Join us on Christmas Eve as we celebrate Jesus' birth and the real meaning of Christmas with our church, family & friends.

MERRY  
christmas

## Angel Tree Ministry

The Angel Tree is back again this year, and is located in the foyer. This program is dedicated to providing a better Christmas for less fortunate families in our community. We encourage our members to take a tag from the tree, note the tag number, child's name and your name on the clipboard. Gifts should be \$15-\$20 and age appropriate. All gifts need to be returned unwrapped with the tag on each bag, by December 12th. You can also help by making a donation to Stockton Christmas Basket.

## Wrapping Gifts

If you would like to help wrap gifts for the Christmas Basket Program, bring scissors and arrive at Stockton Assembly of God, 1505 South Third Street, Tuesday December 14th at 8am-12pm.

### SAMA FOOD PANTRY



THIS MONTH'S DONATION:

**Canned Meat**

bring donations to the box in  
the entryway

## Cookson Hills Monthly Donations

Each month, the Women's Missionary Council is collecting health supplies for Cookson Hills Christian Ministries. This month they are collecting: NAIL FILES

Bring donations to the basket under the "Our Missions" sign in the foyer.

## E-mail Newsletter

If you would like to receive the monthly newsletter via e-mail, contact Aimee at [scsecretary1@gmail.com](mailto:scsecretary1@gmail.com) to sign up.

God directed me back to a wonderful Christian family here in Stockton!

I just want you all to know how blessed I am to have had you all at my surprise 90th birthday! I definitely went to bed last night with a grateful heart!

Thank you all!  
Love, Vermina



REJOICE  
AND BE GLAD



the  
back corner

BY JACOB HAUGHT  
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A December to remember. This phrase has a lot of meaning to it. Usually it referring to gifts received during the Christmas season. Or perhaps the memories made with family during this time of year. I have seen car commercials that use this phrase over and over. It can lose its allure fast in the commercialization of Christmas. But for you, what does a December to Remember mean? For me, I want to remember a special December. A long time ago when the savior of the world was born. Isaiah 9:6-7 tells us

“For unto us a Child is born,  
Unto us a Son is given;  
And the government will be upon His shoulder.  
And His name will be called  
Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

What a reason to remember! A son was given to save this world. A child was born to bring use peace. This child is wonderful, counselor, mighty, and everlasting. This child is Jesus, the son of God, our savior. This December, take time to remember the true meaning of Christmas. Take the time to read the Christmas story to your family. Come join us for Christmas eve service. Enjoy the fellowship that this season brings. Ultimately, take the time to remember the love of Jesus this December.

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## INFORMATION

OFFICE HOURS  
Monday-Friday 8am-11am

WORSHIP SERVICES  
Sunday School //9:30am  
Sunday Worship //10:30am

WEBSITE  
stocktonchristianchurch.com



# MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

## Communion & Baptism Towels

Linda Kimmel

## Benevolence Committee

Chairman: Nedra Fox & Linda Kimmel

Committee: Debbie Burns, Jean Lane, Heather Dalton, Barb Roby, Phyllis Rutledge, Neda Witt

## Communion Meditation

December: Jacob Haught

## Sunbeams Teacher

December 5: Nichole Marshall

December 12: Maranda Spangler

December 19: Cody Branson

December 26: Cody Branson

If you are  
unable to  
fulfill your  
position,  
please trade  
with someone  
or call/email  
the office.