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Everyone Plan To Give To White Christmas

A Message From Our Pastor

SEVENTH ANNUAL WHITE CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 15

OUR GOAL: Every MBBC member giving what God wants you to give. What's it going to take to reach our goal? In two words: SACRIFICIAL GIVING. There is no easy way to do it. Of course, if every member of MBBC would give a little then it would be easy. But let's face it. Dozens of our families will take no part in this offering. As always, the burden must be borne by the minority to whom Christ really means something.

The goal of our salvation is to make us CHRISTLIKE. And we are like Christ when we are giving. SACRIFICIAL GIVING sums up the nature and work of Christ. To be like Him is to GIVE SACRIFICIALLY of ourselves and our means.

HOW TO GIVE MORE THAN YOU ARE ABLE

There are two ways to give:

(1) Give out of YOUR resources — this way you're able to give what YOU are able to give. This was Phillip's way of giving when Jesus asked him what he would do about the 5,000 hungry churchgoers. Phillip dug into his pockets and evaluated the situation according to HIS resources.

(2) Give out of God's resources — this way you're able to give what God is able to give. In I Chronicles 29 after David and the people have given such a fantastic offering for the building of the temple, David asks God in verse 14, how they were able to be so generous. He answered his own question when he says, "OF THINE OWN HAVE WE GIVEN THEE."

Read 2 Corinthians 9 in the Living Bible and you'll see that Paul says GOD WILL GIVE YOU AS MUCH AS YOU WANT TO GIVE AWAY.

So ask God what He would have you give to the WORLD MISSIONS offering and when the amount seems beyond your resources, Praise the Lord and give it out of God's resources and He'll give you as much as you give.

Remember, you have until the last of March 1975 to turn in your total offering. You can pay it any way you like — a little a week or in one lump sum. The important thing is this: let us know December 15 what your total World Mission Offering will be. Special envelopes will be provided for this occasion.

PRAISE THE LORD FOR WHAT HE'S GOING TO DO.

Ronald Dunn

Attention GAs

In honor of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions we are having a Prayer Supper Friday night, December 6th from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Bldg. 2, Room 223.

Make plans now to attend.

Hospitals And Mail

Here is the listing of hospitals continued from the last two weeks. This might be a convenience to those of you who want to mail cards to patients.

PRESBYTERIAN (369-4111)

8200 Walnut Hill Ln.

Dallas 75231

ST. PAUL (631-404)

5909 Harry Hines Blvd.

Dallas 75235

VETERANS (376-5451)

4500 S. Lancaster Rd.

Dallas 75216

Median Adult I

Family Get Together

December 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the Gym

Bring your children and your favorite snack.

the RECORD

S.S. ATTENDANCE	650
Budget Offering	\$6,300.45
Together We Build	1,134.74
(Total for 35 weeks — \$85,984.37)	
Designated	158.60
TOTAL	\$7,593.79

Young Married Dept.

PROGRESSIVE DINNER

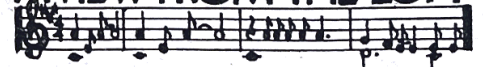
Saturday, Dec. 14th — 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Get details from your S.S. teacher or contact Gary Hill.

R.S.V.P. by Dec. 8th.

Provide your own babysitting.

A VIEW FROM THE LOFT



Calling all Adult Choir members! Time is closing in on the presentation of our Christmas music December 15. It is important that you make every remaining rehearsal. The six "Messiah" choruses are coming along so very well and attendance is tremendous.

"Little Sisters" is the name of the new girls' trio you'll hear in the service Sunday evening. Trio members are Pam McKinney, Lachelle Gassaway, and Tracey Spray. Mary Parr is their director. May I share with you a book that is a blessing to Carolyn and me. "My Utmost for His Highest" by Oswald Chambers is a book of devotions for every day of the year. They are available in our church office or in Perry's Christian book store.

Parents of Young Musicians — Please call the office to make arrangements for your child's red and white outfit for the music program Wednesday, December 18. Help is available if you cannot make or have the outfit made. (255-1128)

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