



The October HARBINGER

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South Side
Christian Church
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Ugandan Orphans Spread Hope for Children in Poverty

*Choir of Ten Children Perform Traditional Ugandan Songs and Dances
While Raising Awareness on the Power of Child Sponsorship*

The Ugandan Orphans Choir, a group of ten talented children ranging from eight to twelve, has announced that they will be performing at **South Side Christian Church on Wednesday, November 2nd at 7:00 pm**. All ten children have been given hope through Childcare Worldwide's sponsorship program and now they devote their energy to helping other children obtain access to sponsorship and education.

These exuberant children delight audiences with their African drumming, dancing and singing as they perform traditional Ugandan songs and dances. Former audience member, Kurt Swanson, raved, "Audiences just can't seem to get enough of what these children have to share; from their natural musical talents to their raw expression of African culture. People are also amazed by the deep joy these children have despite the circumstances they came from."

Each of the ten children has a story to tell about how their lives have been changed through the power of education provided through Childcare Worldwide's sponsorship program. The choir has performed in churches and schools nationwide, as well as reputable venues such as Disneyland, KING 5 Television's "New Day Northwest" as well as Qwest Field, home of the Seattle Seahawks.

The Ugandan Orphans Choir is a ministry of Childcare Worldwide which has been devoted to transforming lives since 1981. Childcare Worldwide serves children in ten developing countries helping them succeed educationally through their child sponsorship program; they want to make learning and the hope of future employment possible for every child they serve. The ultimate goal of education is to break the cycle of poverty in children's lives.

Be sure to experience this unique and authentic night of cultural song, dance and storytelling.

For more information or interviews, contact Shawn Morton at (360)-647-2283. Please visit www.childcareworldwide.org/choir for a complete tour schedule.



Housing
Needed For
The Ugandan
Orphans
Choir

We are looking for four host homes for the Ugandan Orphans Choir
Two nights
November 1st and 2nd

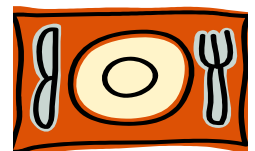
Contact Steve Clark
at 219 - 836 - 2110
for more details!

Meal Providers needed for The
Ugandan Orphans Choir

Tuesday - Evening Meal
Wednesday - Lunch & Evening Meal.

We need to feed 10 kids
and 5 adults

Contact Steve Clark at
219 - 836 - 2110
if you can help!





SSCC Happenings

Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Studies

10:00 am
Laura Carpenter
(844-6020)
for location and details

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study has changed to Tuesday Afternoon at 12:30 pm.

For more details call Vanessa Nolen at 219-440-7068

Ladies, come join us and learn more about OUR AWESOME SAVIOR!

Kara Ladies Group

1st Monday of the month
October 3rd
At South Side Christian Church
7:15 pm

For details call Diana Gilbert
219-923-0211

Ruth Group

1st Thursday of each month
12:00 Noon
Call Leona Parsley

Loyal Friends

4th WEDNESDAY of each month
Bring a sack lunch
Dessert and drinks provided
12:00 Noon
For details call Ruth Mann 932-9085

First Saturday Service

Saturday, October 1, 2011

7:00 PM

Music, Devotion, Communion
Please join us!



Welcome!

Greeter Lunch

Sunday, October 16, 2011
Immediately after service
If you are a greeter, or want to learn more about this ministry, please join us for lunch.

10 years!!

Please join SSCC on 10/2/11 in recognizing **Pastor Steve Clark's 10 years of service as SSCC's Youth Pastor.**

Potluck will begin immediately after the service and last until 1:30 PM. Chicken, lemonade, water, coffee, cake, silverware plates and glasses will be provided. Please bring a dish that feeds 12-16 people.

SENIOR SAINTS

Tuesday, October 11th
12:00 noon

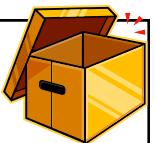
Harvest Fellowship
For details check

Andy Griffith



Adult Bible Study
Wednesdays
6:30 - 7:30 pm

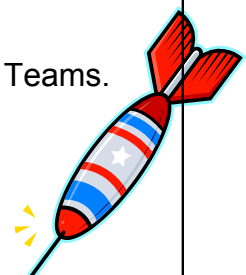
Cardboard Boxes Needed..



Children from the youth group are planning an event in the gym for November and are in need of cardboard boxes (the bigger the better) and that they can drop it off in the high school room. If you would prefer us to pick up cardboard call Jacob Kowalski 219-836-5710 or David Barrow at 219-836-5251.
Thank you.

LADIES WELCOME!!

All ladies are welcome to join one of our Dartball Teams. Our playing season begins October 2. If you are interested in playing, call Pam Fordyce (219-923-6443) or Sarah Misner (219-932-6433). Lots of fun and fellowship!





YOUTH MATTERS

This October will be my ten year anniversary at SSCC. I remember coming away from my initial interview with the elders very intrigued and excited. South Side was the only church that actually had teens in the interview process. I had never seen this before or since. I remember I had a list of ten things I was looking for in a church and SSCC had seven of them. I don't even remember most of the list now. I've always felt at home here in Northwest Indiana. Living here in a very ethnic/Catholic community was very similar to my original home in PA. On the other hand, I remember my very first trip with the kids. I was so intimidated by Chicago I had Jim Kessler drive us downtown. Now sometimes I take the kids into the city just for hotdogs in the summer. I'm very thankful for Jim Beshears, who already had a good relationship with the teens. He always let me lead even though he was older, and could have been less than supportive of the new guy. Youth pastors don't last without support. I've had good support from the elders over the years. I've never been micromanaged, and I've received grace for my mistakes. It seems in ministry that some people always think you are wonderful, while others think you are really terrible. Truth be told I'm probably somewhere between the two.....Aren't we all.

This week I'm scrambling to find enough transportation for our Fall Breakaway, but I remember struggling for years to reach the minimum amount of students, so I wouldn't have to cancel the trip. I always wanted to be a guy who didn't leave, or quit. I remember Keith Chandler, my mentor, telling me one time that your seventh year is your best year in a located ministry. I owe a lot to Keith Chandler who really prepared me for the challenges of ministry. He also taught me how to preach sermons and teach lessons that speak to people's needs. Keith wasn't a quitter, and I didn't want to be one either. I don't like guys who quit on their kids. I don't like guys who go into youth ministry as a stepping stone for a preaching ministry. I don't like elder boards who complain about the commitment of youth ministers, then neither give their guys emotional support or enough financial security for them to stay in youth ministry. At SSCC I've had both for the last ten years.

I can honestly say it's amazing sticking around and watching the kids grow up around you. When Amy DeVries was at SSCC last she introduced me to her friend saying "Steve is the first person to tell me I had leadership potential." I wish I remember telling her that, but I still enjoyed hearing it anyway. It's great watching teens grow up into interesting adults. Sometimes it's heartbreaking, but that's ministry. And I plan to keep working because I know the best is yet to come at SSCC.

Steve Clark, Youth Minister

Beta Sigma Chi Teen Small Groups

Sunday

6:00 - 7:00 pm

*9-12 graders can eat out after!

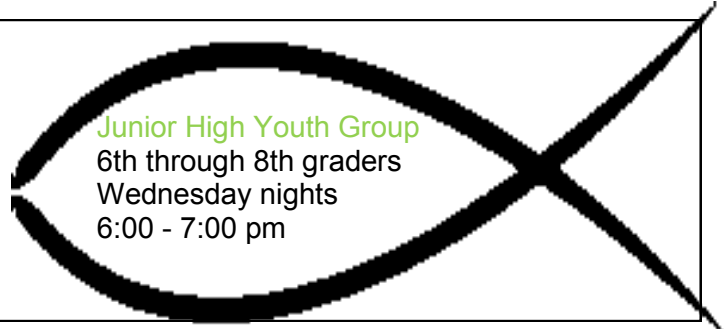
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Junior High Youth Group

6th through 8th graders

Wednesday nights

6:00 - 7:00 pm



Beta Sigma Chi Teen Bible Study

Wednesday nights

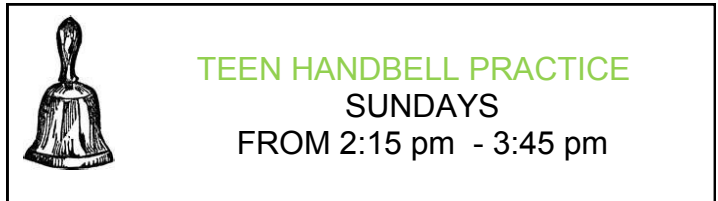
5:00 - 6:00 pm



TEEN HANDBELL PRACTICE

SUNDAYS

FROM 2:15 pm - 3:45 pm



October Birthdays

Heather Paprstein 1
 Ruth Jones 2
 Terry Specyal 2
 Abbie Drake 3
 Barbara Hinkins 3
 Jerrie Kroll 3
 Nora Coffman 7
 Steve Clark 7
 Dan Chapman 9
 Donna Solecki 9
 Theodore Misdorn 9
 Carroll Austin 11
 Bonnie Johnson 12
 Jack Burger 13
 Waymond Jones 15
 Carl Jantzen 16
 Elah Kayser 16
 Alyssa Larimer 17
 Sandy Gee 17
 Tom Brown 17
 Heather Tucker 18
 Jay Kaiser 19

Juliet Kaiser 19
 Justina Kaiser 19
 Roger Anderson 19
 Jon Funston 23
 Missy Elder 23
 Valerie Theodore 23
 Tom Fornaciari 25
 Lois Larimer 27
 Sabrina Weber 27
 Barb Kisse 29
 Jennifer Moore 29
 Kyrie Brown 29
 Mary Ononan 30
 Robert Campbell 10/30



September 11th Video...

Many of you have commented on the wonderful video that was shown at the September 11 service. Our thanks to Ken Drake for creating the presentation and sharing it with us.

Celebrating 100 years

NORA COFFMAN

Sunday, October 9, 2011



Luncheon following second service

Please no gifts

Your presence is gift enough.

Given by family members:
 Amy Klinger and Vicky Phillips

BIBLE BOOK OF THE MONTH READING PROGRAM

SO... LET THE Reading continue ...
Reading Selections for remainder of 2011

October	Proverbs
November	Psalms 101-150
December	Revelation

Remember we will track your readings and acknowledge your participation in January. Mark your connection card each month.

South Side Christian Preschool



Preschool is off to a great start! We went on our first field trip to the County Line Orchard and everyone had an enjoyable time.

There are still openings in both classes call Sharon Zenos at 219-836-2455 for registration information.

South Side's Fitness Nights

The times are :

Tuesdays from 7:00 - 8:00 pm.

Thursdays from 6:00 - 9 :00 pm

Friday's from 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Tuesday night fitness with a personal trainer

Thursday night fitness features

- Volleyball 1st hour
- Shape up fitness all shapes and sizes with a personal trainer 2nd hour
- Self - defense Kenpo style 3rd hour.

Friday night features volleyball for adults and high school ages.

For more information see phone numbers in the bulletin.

We look forward to seeing you there!"

I Corinthians 3:16-17 from The Message
 "You realize, don't you, that you are the temple of God, and God himself is present in you? No one will get by with vandalizing God's temple, you can be sure of that. God's temple is sacred - and you, remember, are the temple."

The **Chicagoland Christian Village** is needing all kinds of silk flowers and garage sale items to put in there baskets for the fund raiser in April of next year. You can give the flowers to Gwen Campbell or Bonnie Johnson and the garage sale items to Gwen Campbell

Thank you,
Gwen, Bonnie and Bernie

HANDMADE Gift Baskets by Marie

October 14, 2011

6:00 to 9:00 pm

Come and support Marie Barrows and her new endeavor selling handmade Gift Baskets and handmade note cards.

A portion of the sales will be donated to the Kara Ladies Group Mission Fund.

MISSION UPDATE

65 years—But Who Is Counting—Kulpahar Kids' Home and Christian School

On the second Monday of May Jolly Herbbert told Sharon that a group of them wanted to come to our bungalow for tea the next day to have prayer with us. They would bring the goodies, all we had to furnish was the tea. He did mention something about it being a special day. We didn't give it much thought until the morning of May 10 when Dr. Sneah called us to congratulate Leah on her anniversary. Anniversary? Then it dawned on us.

May 10, 1946 was the day that Leah Moshier and Dolly Chitwood arrived in Calcutta, India, to begin their life long adventure in this land. They were told by the British officer at the Foreign Registration office, "You're very foolish to come here now. There's anarchy ahead and I strongly advise you to go right back home." These ladies had come too far and invested too much to entertain any notion of returning to the States.

Anarchy did reign and they witnessed horrific happenings during the partitioning of India and Pakistan. But they endured. They settled in the little village of Kulpahar to establish a Bible college with new friends Tom and Leota Rash. But God had other plans and those plans were partially revealed with the arrival of eight-month-old Sosun. The Kulpahar Kid's Home was born followed shortly by the Kulpahar Christian School. The other missionaries left for various reasons but Leah and Dolly stayed. They could not leave even if they had wanted to, for what would happen to all the homeless children that had followed after Sosun? There was persecution and adversities and problems galore, but the children continued to come and they were reassured that this was God's plan for their lives.

Dolly is gone, Linda and Sharon are with Leah. The method of reaching and helping children has changed but our desire and vision has not dimmed. There will always be needy children in India and we intend to do what we can as long as we can.

Taken from the newsletter of Leah E. Moshier, Linda M. Stanton and Sharon Cunningham.
Kulpahar Kid's Home and Christian School, Kulpahar India.
For photos see the bulletin board outside the church office.

This Mission is supported by Kara Ladies Group of South Side Christian Church. If interested in contributing to them please talk to Diana Gilbert, Group President.

OUR MISSION

To glorify the living God by multiplying ourselves through the demonstration of Christ's love; bringing each person into a meaningful relationship with the SSCC family; establishing each member as a life long student of God's Word; and preparing and commissioning each family member for service

Annual Meeting held September 25, 2011

All new leaders were affirmed by 80% or more.

Sympathies extended..

- ◆ Diana Gilbert and family upon the passing of her father. Services were held on September 10th.
- ◆ To the family of Johnnie Ruth Giovingo who service will be Saturday, September 24th at the Novak Funeral Home in Calumet City.
- ◆ To the family of Al Morningstar whose service will be Wednesday, September 28th at Kuiper Funeral Home in Griffith.



Thank yous received...

Rae Jean Hubbard would like to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls, and visits while she was in rehab. She is now back at home.

Mike Gillespie would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, phone calls and food. He will return to the pulpit on October 9th

Finance Facts	Date	Attendance	Tithes & Offerings
Attendance and weekly tithes and offerings	August 28	219	\$7,007.53
	September 4	218	\$9,764.29
	September 11	245	\$8,718.17
	September 18	211	\$5,311.80