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Mandarin Sister to Sister Newsletter

Theme:

What We Have in Common

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Ladies Ministry of Mandarin Church of Christ

The purpose of the Ladies Ministry is to keep everyone uplifted and edified.

We are currently looking for ladies with bright ideas who are interested in working in two of our ministries. They are:

Christmas Party: OPEN - 2010. The chairperson will ensure that there is a hostess for the Ladies Annual Christmas party. We still have not gotten a hostess for the Christmas party. Heather Alton will be hosting this year ~ Thanks Heather!

Special Activities: OPEN. These are "just for fun" events that involve all the women of the congregation. These include, but are not limited to, Ladies Day, "Bring Your Own Place Setting" and Ladies Breakfast or even a lunch in the park. If you are interested please see Selina Agnew.

All of our activities can always use new faces and bright ideas. Please see any one of the ladies on the Core Committee if you are interested or even have great ideas for future events. *DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT THE BULLETIN BOARD. Thank you Nancy Regas for a JOB WELL DONE!! The Ladies Ministry really appreciates you.*

Thanks and Appreciation goes to all ladies who are currently working in a ministry.

Past /Current/Upcoming Events:

Ladies Retreat: OPEN FOR REPORT FROM RETREAT COMMITTEE. Special thanks go to Sisters Mary Saddler, Mildred Griffith, Darlene Seckman, and Ginnie Dostie for their diligence in giving a great ladies retreat. Kathleen Fisher has agreed to head the Retreat this coming year. Thanks, Kathleen

Secret Sisters/Sunshine Baskets: Sister's Bessie & Nadia Samuel and Lisa Medina-Aleman. Our first Secret Sister (SS) event kicked off in April and it was a blast. There was a midway luncheon where all the SS's got together and had a nice fellowship in the dining hall. The last luncheon was in June and this was the revealing luncheon. Some guessed who there SS was; other's well.... they did not have a clue. Please everyone look for the next SS session coming up very soon. The Samuel ladies did an excellent job of putting together a well organized session; you will not be disappointed if you participate.

Family Park Day: Saturday, September 26, 2009; 11 – 3 pm- The ladies ministry is hosting a fun day in the park for the whole family here at Mandarin. Please be looking out for information to come and be prepared for a fun filled day. Sis. Wendy Blackstone will be heading up the great event; please see her if you would like to assist.

"Bring Your Own Place Setting" will be held on Saturday, October 24, 2009 from 9:30 – 11:00am. Sis. Selina Agnew will be heading this event; if you would like to assist her please see her by September 30 or one of the ladies on the Core Committee.

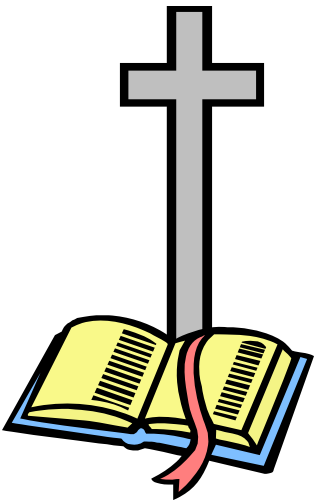
Words of Encouragement

Faith is believing in what is true. Faith has two elements: 1) being convinced of the truth, being certain of reality, having evidence of unseen things, and 2) believing, hoping in, embracing, seizing the truth.

Heb 11:1

Believing is not exactly the same as faith. For belief to be faith, it must light on what is certainly true. Yet Scripture gives examples of situations where belief alone is required, even commanded. There's *no time* for evidence collection, to wait, to hear, for certainty. Just believe. Like Peter walking on the water--don't think, act! God even requires us to believe in him when, temporarily, the evidence looks bad: to trust. God requires belief and trust in moments of human weakness, but faith is what makes us strong. Faith is the state of being convinced about what we hope for.

Faith is work of the Holy Spirit and the Word of God. (Internet)



“God always keep us near the cross, our eyes always focused on you and the goodness that you bring to our everyday life”. ~Amen

Prayers

Many of our sisters have been going through trials and tribulations; i.e. financial, health concerns for themselves and loved ones, loss of family members. Let us keep each other lifted up in prayer.