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# LIBERTY.....FOR ALL

*"If you abide in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine:  
and you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:31-32*

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD  
Shoebox Dedication  
November 12, 2006

(details inside)

JEWS FOR  
Stephen Katz



JESUS

Sunday, November 19, 10:45 a.m.

The purpose of Liberty Baptist Church is to **magnify God** through **reaching people** and **developing members toward Christ-like maturity**, preparing them for **personal ministry** and **worldwide mission**.

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# FROM THE OF THE PASTOR

This month we will come to the end of our Sunday morning messages from the book of First Corinthians. The church in Corinth certainly had some issues and Paul addressed them with firmness and passion, yet always speaking the truth with love in his heart. Hopefully we have been instructed by the Lord through this book so that we will make necessary adjustments in our own lives and so that we can avoid the sins of another church in another day.

I will be taking a vacation this month and will be missing a major holiday with you for the first time. Our family is looking forward to spending Thanksgiving with my parents and siblings in Florida. We did not make our usual trip down there this summer due to the birth of Jonathan. You will not want to miss the two Sundays I will be away. Stephen Katz of *Jews for Jesus* will be here on November 19<sup>th</sup> and Joel Rainey of our Mid-Maryland Baptist Association (he preached at Liberty last year also) will be here on November 26<sup>th</sup>.

As I write this, the church is greatly anticipating the Liberty Fall Festival. I would like to ask that EVERYONE be involved with the event if at all possible. You can conduct one of the games, oversee the moonbounce, help serve food, supervise on the hayrides, or even wander the premises meeting the guests from our community who are in attendance. If you are unable to be here, then please join with the rest of us in praying that God will be glorified in this event!

Pastor Lance



## LIBERTY LIGHTS

Striving to Live as Children of Light  
Ephesians 5:8-11, 13, & 14a

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> - Home Teams @ the Salindong's house

Sunday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> - Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box  
Dedication

Saturday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> - Parent's Night Out Fundraiser

**Home Teams** – 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. at the Salindong's house. **Bring a friend** for an evening of fun together. We'll have pizza or subs, make sundaes and play some board games together. This can be a fun way to get your friends involved in our group.

**Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes** – The Sr. High and Jr. High Sunday School classes will each be filling a shoe box for Operation Christmas Child. Bring in your items on Sunday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> and we will fill the boxes during Sunday School.

### **Parent's Night Out Fundraiser**

**Saturday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

Parents are invited to drop their children off at the church and enjoy an evening out. All children from birth through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. The youth will provide a dinner of hot dogs, chips, drinks and will keep the children busy with fun activities and games. Reserve a spot for your child by signing up on the bulletin board in the foyer or calling the church office. Donations will be accepted that evening or you can place it in the offering plate, be sure to mark it as a youth fundraiser donation. All money raised will go toward our trips next summer.



## PRAYER POINTS...

### Abiding in Christ: One Key to Powerful Prayer

We can ask God to teach us how to abide in Christ (John 15) and He will. This is a "yes" prayer—a prayer for His wisdom like is talked about in James 1:5. He is willing to give us a generous amount of wisdom, if we ask.

Why would we want this? If we learn how to abide, our prayer lives will be turned upside down. John 15:7—*If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.* John 15:16—*You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you.* Is this the normal result of our prayers?

Here's what we can expect if we allow ourselves to abide in Christ. Jesus will call us "friends" and make things known to us (John 15:15). Christ's joy will be in us and His joy will be made complete (John 15:11). The Father will be glorified, we will bear much fruit and we will be proven as Christ's disciples. (John 15:16).

*Father, teach us what it means to fully abide in Christ.*

Tracy Hofmann  
Prayer Coordinator



## CHOIR NOTES

The choir is back into the regular routine of rehearsals each Wednesday evening at 7:30 PM. If you would like to sing with the Sanctuary Choir each week, please feel free to join us for rehearsal. We would love to welcome you into our Choir family. If you are not available to sing each Sunday morning but would like to sing with us on our Christmas cantata, our rehearsals begin at 8:10 PM. What a fun way to serve our Lord and praise His name.

We have begun work on our Christmas cantata, "*A Thrill of Hope: A Christmas Musical*" which will be presented on Sunday evening, December 17, at 6 p.m. Recent events in our country spurred the creators to write this musical, aware that all of our hopes must be centered on the Lord Jesus in order to last and bear fruit. Key Scriptures that inspired this work are such as *Guide me in Your Truth and teach me, for You are God my Savior, and my hope is in You all day long (Psalm 25:5).* We hope that you will set aside time during the very busy Christmas season to bring your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers to hear the message of the hope through our Lord and Savior.

It is my desire to draw each member of the congregation into the very presence of God through the singing of His praises, to be focused upon Christ as we lift up His name, and to ultimately prepare our hearts to receive a word from God. Please feel free to share any suggestions you may have on ways you believe our worship service can be improved to accomplish these purposes. Remember – worship is not about you or me – it's all about Him!

Connie Casamento  
Music Director

### LEADERSHIP TRAINING NOVEMBER 18, 2006 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

If you missed the first Church Leadership training in September, Jim Osborn will be leading this same seminar again on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Those who currently hold leadership positions and those who desire to become leaders are encouraged to attend. The Fellowship Team will provide lunch. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer so materials and food can be provided for all who attend.

## Women's Ministries



### Attention All Ladies!!

Please join us for a night of fellowship on November 17th at 7pm for *Christ, Crafts, and Chocolate*. Bring a friend to enjoy the night together. We will have devotion, then a variety of craft tables set-up for you to work on at your choosing. During the entire evening we will have a chocolate fountain for dessert!! Please sign-up in the foyer if you plan to attend, if you would like to share a craft and what food item you can bring for "dipping"!! See Darlene for more details. Child care will be provided upon request, call Darlene at 410-875-0875.



**MEN'S BREAKFAST**  
**SATURDAY, November 4<sup>TH</sup> 8:00 AM**  
**Bring a breakfast food to share!**  
Chapter Five of *Desiring God* by John Piper.

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

**Dedication Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>**

The purpose of this ministry is to introduce Jesus Christ to children and their families in remote or disaster or poverty ridden areas of our world. For many, their only way to overcome their situation is hope in the Lord.



Operation Christmas child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, a division of the Billy Graham Organization. Please open your mind and heart to the opportunity to bring the saving message of Jesus Christ to the

little children. Pick up a brochure from the table in the foyer and read carefully the instructions for packing your shoe boxes. The suggested cash donation for each box has been increased for the first time in thirteen years this year to \$7 per box. Bring your shoeboxes to the church on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> for dedication during worship.

### JEWS FOR JESUS PRESENTATION

**Sunday, November 19, 10:45 a.m.**

Stephen Katz will be with Liberty once again and will speak on "*Atonement in Bible Times and in the Synagogue Today – What Happened?*"



### GIVE THANKS POT-LUCK DINNER

**Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>  
12:30 p.m.**

Come and celebrate Thanksgiving with your church family following the morning service. Bring a main dish as well as a salad, vegetable or dessert. The church will provide iced tea and coffee.

### SPECIAL CALLED BUSINESS MEETING

**Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Immediately following the worship service**

This meeting is for the sole purpose of voting on the adoption of the 2006 revised Constitution & By-Laws as recommended by the CBLR Team.

### CHURCH STAFF

Lance Metcalf, Senior Pastor  
Kim Bright, Church Administrator  
Connie Casamento, Music Director  
Brenda Mulder, Custodian



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Andrew Luke	11/2	Jennifer Barnard	11/13
Delores Cowherd	11/3	Claire DiBella	11/17
Josh Mitchell	11/4	Kalli DiBella	11/19
Logan Moore	11/9	Paul Hopkins	11/21
Anna Mied	11/10	Nathaniel Dwyer	11/24
Tammy Salindong	11/10	Bob Foster	11/24
Julie Loyd	11/11	Justin Lenk	11/26
Jianna Casamento	11/13	Greg Mulder	11/28

We apologize if we have missed your birthday. If we have, it is because your date is not in our computer database. Please call the church office to let us know so that you can be included in future listings.

## Church Attendance

**Sunday School      Worship**

10/01	63	99
10/08	70	83
10/15	69	109
10/22	62	94



(as of October 22, 2006)

2006 Total Budget (Jan-Dec)	\$306,544
2006 General Fund Budget	\$291,544
General Fund Budget to Date	\$236,543
General Fund Receipts to Date	\$216,959

If you regularly contribute to Liberty Baptist Church and want to receive a year-end statement of giving for income tax purposes, you will need to use a numbered offering envelope. Envelopes are assigned by and available from Richard Barron.

### DEACON OF THE WEEK

November 5	Richard Barron
November 12	Paul Mied
November 19	Boh Mulder
November 26	John Ely