



FAMILY NEWS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 13 - 6:30 a.m.
Prayer Breakfast at JB's

December 13 - 10:30 a.m.
Sew In Love Bible Study

December 15 - 7:00 p.m.
CCS Christmas Program

December 17 - 10:00 a.m.
Teen Cross-Country Skiing

December 17 - 1:30 p.m.
Senior Saints Holiday Gala

December 25 - 9:30 a.m.
Christmas Day Worship Service
No Bible Class or LIFE Groups

ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sunday:

Bible Classes	9:00-9:50
AM Worship	10:15 AM
LIFE Groups *	5:30 PM
Wed. Classes	6:30 PM

*Other Bible Study Groups meet at various times. Call the office for information.

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*The Dalton Gardens church of Christ is a Christ-focused family committed to **WINNING** the Lost, **MATURING** the Saints, and **KNITTING** the Body together in love.*

Reminder: Christmas Worship Service at 9:30 a.m.; there will be no Bible Classes or LIFE Groups

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING BY RALPH CRUMP

EIGHT PRINCIPLES OF BIBLICAL COUNSELING

Principle #8: Immediacy

This final principle is not necessarily different from the rest, rather it is part of several other principles that have been discussed. Ephesians 4:24 states, "Be angry but do not sin, and do not let the sun go down on your anger." This tiny verse provides a wealth of information on personal and relationship problems.

First, it explains that anger is not sinful. Anger is a normal, God given emotion arising when problems occur. There is no reason to be shocked or ashamed when Christians become angry. Jesus became angry at times (Mark 3:5; John 2:13ff) but he did not sin (Hebrews 4:15).

Second, anger can lead to sin, and probably does so most of the time. This indicates there are right ways to handle anger as well as wrong

ways. It comes down to a decision on what to do. Will we allow this emotion to cause us to do things the Bible declares as sinful, or will we seek the Bible to find proper, honorable ways to handle anger?

Third, immediacy! Paul commands that the sun is not to go down on our anger. The simple statement means what it says. If a problem arises it must be dealt with now - not tomorrow or the next day— but now.

In principle # 2 (confrontation) we described how unconforted problems place a person into a personal prison. The longer the problem is unresolved, the greater the feelings of anger, frustration, etc. As each day goes by more and more "baggage" is added. Thus the command, "Do not let the sun go down on your anger."

In principle #6 (flee evil) we described how dangerous it was

to dabble in or edge close to problems. They must be handled immediately. Sometimes fleeing is the answer. But they must be handled immediately.

I have dealt with so many people who carry around problems that are several years old. The size of the original problem pales in comparison with the enormous amount of "add on" problems collected over the years. Sometimes the grudges become so enormous the original problem is actually forgotten. How many years are wasted with selfish grumbling? How much good could have been done if the problem was handled as soon as it happened? How wonderful is the wisdom of God when he charged us to take care of problems right away.

SHEPHERD'S CORNER



Jesus taught, therefore every teacher of the law who has been instructed about the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom NEW TREASURES AS WELL AS OLD.

In New Testament times the scribe was responsible for the careful recopying of the Holy Scriptures. Unfortunately, most of the scribes in Jesus'

day had become proud and self-righteous. Nevertheless, they were students of Scripture, and at least some of them loved God's word reverently and accurately and reverently. It was these scribes whom the Lord commended in Matt. 13:3-50, comparing them to the head of a great house, with treasures in the house, who could bring them out from time to time for the instruction and delight of all.

"Things new and old". In the treasury of God's Word, one who

is "instructed" in the old truths can always find new truths in its inexhaustible store. Both the old, well known and loved doctrine of Scripture, and stirring new insights which further illuminate and apply them are there waiting in the Word. If we love the Lord, we will love His Word and find endless delight in its study. Let us "grow in grace and knowledge of Christ 2 Peter 3:18.

-The Elders

Welcome to the Family!

Matt and April Hammar would like to be recognized as part of the Dalton Gardens congregation. Be sure to welcome them into the family. Their address is: 2804 N. Howard Apt. #5 Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815 Ph. #667-7960

Maps for Senior Holiday Gala

Need help in finding the Archer home? Pick up a map located on the front door kiosk. The Senior Holiday Gala will be on Saturday, December 17, 1:30 p.m. at Ivan & Sally Archer's home. Bring your favorite holiday cookies or finger foods and a "White Elephant" (recycled) wrapped gift for exchange.

Note from Scott

For the next few weeks I have planned some special thoughts to help us remember our Savior around the Lord's table. Some of the material will contain a little fiction. I use this to help make a point and draw us closer to him and to the cross. Please don't let the fictional portion get in the way of hearing the message. In Him, Scott

New Year's Eve Parties

This year I would like to have small New Year's Eve parties. The reason for this is so that you can invite your brothers & sisters in Christ and friends to your house to bring in the New Year. This would be a great way to increase Gods kingdom. If you would like to host a New Year's Eve party let George know at 772-6247 or georgwuest@dgchurch.org after Tuesday.

PS... What have you done today to increase Gods kingdom? There may not be a tomorrow!!!

YOUTH NEWS**TEEN CROSS COUNTRY SKIING**

Keith and Carole Fredrickson have invited the youth to their home in Spirit Lake next Saturday for a day of cross-country skiing. If you wish to go, here are the details:



TIME: Saturday, December 17 – meet at the building at 10AM; we should return around 6PM

WHAT TO BRING: Warm clothes and a sack lunch

COST: \$11

RSVP: To get the group rate of \$11 we need to rent the skis as a group – please let the Johnsons or the Rouses know beforehand if you plan on going. We also need to know if you have your own skis or need to rent skis.

SKI RENTAL: In order to rent the skis at the group rate, we also need all who wish to go next week to meet at the Ski Shack Friday night, December 16, between 4-6PM, for ski measurement. Dave Johnson will be there to coordinate the rental with Ski Shack during that time. Bring your \$11 (or pay earlier) and your feet for measurements!

The Ski Shack is at 9437 North Government Way in Hayden We will return to the Fredrickson's around 4PM for some chili before returning to the building.

See the Fredrickson's, Rouse's or the Johnson's for more details.

Honor with a Poinsettia

Again this year, we are asking anyone who wishes to bring a red Poinsettia, any size, to help decorate the front of the large auditorium for the holiday season. It would be a sweet way to honor a friend or a loved one who has passed away. Please attach a small gift card so that we can acknowledge your donation.

**Wednesday Morning Invitation**

Our LIFE group, which meets here in building on Wednesday morning, wishes to extend an invitation for you to join us this week, the 14th. We will be sharing some of our most cherished holiday memories and finger food with one another. Time has been moved to 11:00 am to better coincide with lunch time. Please join us for enjoyable fellowship by bringing a favorite finger food and your memories to share. Questions, call Ivan at 664-0426.

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel!"--which means, "God with us." - Matthew 1:23

PRAYER REQUESTS

Emily Ward is healing from head surgery from last Friday.

Wayland Lipscomb is recovering from shoulder surgery.

Carol Fredrikson has begun chemo treatments again.

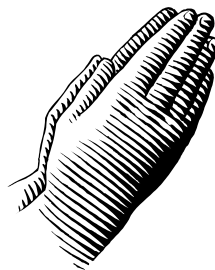
Phoebe Hruska, Teri Dupey, and Clara Ward are suffering with pain from sciatic nerve problems.

Lori Gentry, Delvona and Louise's niece, is recovering from ear surgery.

Pray for **Ken Huseby** for health issues and physical strength.

Dana Barbarick, daughter of Judie Sanborn, is going through chemo treatments.

Loretta Lee is recovering from stomach surgery.



Tucker Forbush is recovering from a tonsillectomy and having his adenoids removed. Please continue to pray for **Brenda Canham**, our sister in Christ from Missoula, who has cancer.

Pray for the **Kabiye Christians** and the Team of Missionaries in Togo, West Africa.

Continue to pray for.....

Mark Mood, Wayne Pearson, Pat Irmer
Al Poland, Jeff Almond, Clayton Grubham

Theresa Priddy is scheduled for back surgery soon. If you would like to send her a note of encouragement, her address is:

2030 Leisure Dr.
Winter Haven, FL 33881
(863) 299-0640

In Sympathy

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Cooper family in the passing of Ron's mother, **Sheila Bellamy**. Remember to keep their family in your prayers during this time of loss.

C.C.S. SCHOOL NEWS

"GIVE THANKS IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES"

By Marci Nelson



"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Why is it God's will for us to give thanks in all circumstances? Having a thankful attitude will bring us closer to Him and help us to be truly happy and content.

He wants us to be happy. It is not easy to give thanks in all circumstances; however, we should work on it becoming a habit, and it will change our lives.

So...Be thankful when you are having frozen pizza for dinner, because at least you are not going hungry.

So...Be thankful when you have to scrape your windshields, because at least you have a vehicle to drive.

So...Be thankful when the remodeling of the church building is inconvenient, because we have a nice place to worship in freedom.

So...Be thankful when your job is stressing you out, because God is providing for you a way to provide for your family.

So...Be thankful when your spouse gets upset because you didn't call to let him/her know that you would be getting home late, because he/she cares enough to worry.

So...Be thankful when your children are not being thankful, because it will be a good example to them and you are blessed with children.

It is all a matter of perspective, and it is God's will for us to be thankful in all cir-

cumstances. Here is a Thankful Poem by one of my students:

Thank you, Lord, for air, water, and food, Everything that you have made is truly good.

Thank You, God. Thank you for family and friends, Your eternal love never ends.

Thank You, God. And thank you for your house of praise, Going there on Sunday days.

Thank You, God. By Ara Fromm

God Bless You, and Have a Great Week!

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Youth Minister Update

As of this writing it is unsure what the time frame will be before we are able to fill the youth minister position. During the time it takes us to find the right person our kids still need someone to identify with, someone to lead, plan and help make things as smooth as possible. Scott Rouse has agreed to serve as interim youth minister. The elders are behind this decision and your support and prayers are appreciated. Scott will be setting up an office in the building and will be available for whatever our kids may need. Office hours will be posted soon.

CCS Christmas Program

This year's CCS Christmas program is "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear". Please join us this Thursday evening, December 15th at 7:00 p.m. in the small auditorium.



Library News!

Tim LaHaye's "The Battle for the Family" (how Christian families become a target) and Gary Smalley's "The Key to a Child's Heart" (a closer relationship with your child) are two books in the Lobby this week that can be checked out in the Library.

Food Donations

We are collecting items to make Christmas dinner baskets this year. If you are able to help out, we ask that you please have the food returned by Sunday, December 18, to the church office. Whatever you can do to help is greatly appreciated. Thank you. George

The Ornaments are Out!

In the foyer you will find our special Christmas ornaments hung on the tree. These ornaments contain the wishes of children close to our church family. We ask that packages are returned by Sunday, December 18th. You can leave them under the tree in the foyer or with Kim in the church office. Please return the ornament you picked up from the tree with your present. We'll do the wrapping for you, and we hope you enjoy buying your special gifts! No time for shopping? We're happy to do it for you! Please drop any donations in the donation box under the tree or at the church office. Feel free to contact Loretta Robinson at 762-2794 for any questions you may have.

Please use the new cups

with the lids, that are provided when taking coffee into the auditoriums. Thank you!

Corrected Winter Address

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8:30 am to 4:30 pm Mon-Fri
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Statistics:

Week of 12-4-2005

Assembly	194
Bible classes	117
Wed. Bible Study	84
LIFE Groups	171
Baptisms This Year	17

Contribution:

Current	\$5,455.57
Goal	\$4,473.00
Average	\$4,473.00
Missions	\$110.00
Lifeline of Hope	\$245.00

To Serve: December 18, 2005

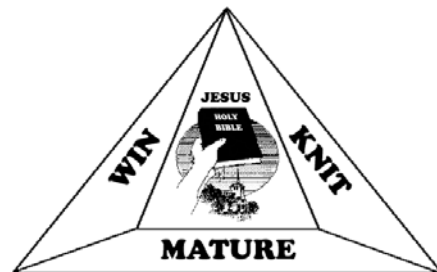
- Song Leader:** Robert Clark
- Opening Prayer:** Bob Brown
- Scripture:** Chris Dehlbom
- Offering:** Dale Herboldt
- Lord's Supper:** Scott Rouse
Caleb Morris
Jeff Nirk
Conner Morris
Adam Rouse
- Ushers:** Mike Haas
Bob Evans
Robert Mullaly
- Greeters:** Rick & Janet Blanchard
- Audio:** Scott Dehlbom
- Computer:** Steve Taylor
- Lock-Up Building:** John Simpson
- Nursery:** Mary Petersen
- Helper:** Chynna Freshour

Contact **Warren Brown** ASAP if you are unable to serve.

Love Involvement Fellowship Evangelism Groups

Bob Brown/Ralph Crump	Thurs/PF, 7:00	773-9651
Warren Brown	Sun/HL, 5:30	772-9556
College	Thurs/NIC, 8:00	772-0541
David Bruner/Larry Slate	Sun/Cd'A, 5:30	667-2943
Dan Dupey	Mon/Cd'A, 6:30	664-7008
L. Petersen/R. Clark	Sun/PF, 5:30	777-4309
Ivan Archer	Wed/DG, 10:00	664-0426
Scott Rouse	Tue/SL, 7:00	623-4203
A. Rude/R. Blanchard	Tue/HL, 6:30	755-6409
Don Rude	Sun/DG, 5:30	772-5532
Andrew Marchese	Sun/DG, 5:30	762-0237
Mike Swaim	Sun/HL, 5:00	772-4341
Paul Swaim College Age	Sun/Cd'A, 5:30	964-0126
LTC – Teens/Parents	Sun/DG; 5:30	772-8183
Sew In Love Bible Study - Betty Williams	Tues/DG, 10:30	762-4485

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