



On-Going Activities

Standing Room Only (SRO) Sunday: We long to show compassion to those in need in our community who suffer from spiritual isolation, fractured families, and economic depression. That's where you and I come in. What better way to start the New Year than to offer ourselves and our seats on a Sunday morning. We can share the One who is the Hope for the world through our words and actions. Midway's "Standing Room Only (SRO)" service is **Sunday, January 9**. This is a day where we reach out to the 2 out of 3 people in our community who do not know Christ. We are inviting all regular and non-regular attenders to join us on Sunday, January 9, as we launch our new series of 2011. What a great opportunity to invite friends, family, and neighbors to be a part of our fellowship and "Discover Midway" in the New Year!

Holiday Hours: There will be no Wednesday night activities on **December 22** and **December 29**. The Church Office will be closed **Monday, December 27 – Thursday, December 30**.

South Africa Mission Meeting: South Africa Informational Meeting *immediately following the 2nd service on Sunday, December 5* in the Preschool Assembly Room. If you are considering going to South Africa with the 2011 team, please try and be present at this brief and informative meeting. If you are interested in being a part of one or more of 2011 Mission trips, please sign up at the GO Desk or at midwaychurch.com and the trip Team Leader will contact you.

"Face Down" Prayer Group: Midway's Prayer Ministry's meets together for "Face Down" on **Sunday, December 5 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Choir room. Everyone is invited to attend for a time of worship, prayer and intercession. There will be no childcare.

Mission Focus: Eric and Jill Boyd and family would like to thank the people of Midway for all the donations of household furniture, items, gift cards, money, and love that they received when moving from the Missions Guest House. They were able to completely furnish their new home and finally get their household set up at the new location. Please see their note of gratitude below:

"The Lord has used your love and generosity to help us in what was, quite honestly, an unwelcome transition. To have spent 23 hours traveling through 3 connections, 4 airports, and long layovers and security checks - it was nothing short of amazing to arrive at the Loft after 2 a.m. local time and feel immediately at home! We realize that it was no accident, but was the product of hard work, careful planning, and above all - love. For that, we thank you very much! We arrived with only 6 suitcases and the clothes on our backs. Through your continued generosity and prayers, we now have a fully furnished house (as we count our Home to be in Heaven), a vehicle, and temporary employment. As we trust in God's sovereignty with our lives, we fully believe greater things are yet to come for us. Your gifts, prayers, and encouragement have helped us to maintain a proper heart posture in this matter, and to seek the Lord's plan for our family. As you have cared for us, we will continue to pray for you as you continue to be both literally and figuratively a "light on a hill" to West GA, the state, country, and points abroad. We love you, and wish you all a bountiful harvest of souls in the coming harvest seasons! Lord be with you all! God's Love and Ours, Eric, Jill, Sawyer, and Olivia Boyd"

Midway Singles' Christmas Party: Midway's Single Ministry is hosting its Christmas Party on **Saturday, December 4 from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. at Midway**. All singles 25 and up are invited. For more information, please contact Jay Goodman at 770-832-9605 ext 755, or jay@midwaychurch.com.

CrossPoint Ugly Christmas Sweater Party: CrossPoint's annual Ugly Christmas Sweater Party is **Monday, December 6 at 8:00 p.m.** at Midway West. Find the ugliest sweater possible and come hang out with us as we close out 2010 and look ahead to 2011. For more information about CrossPoint gatherings and how to get connected with others from CrossPoint in a small group environment, email Kevin Rivers at kevin@midwaychurch.com or visit our website at thecrossthepoint.com.

Caleb's Cousins Christmas Luncheon: Caleb's Cousins will have a Christmas Luncheon in McGuire Hall on **Tuesday, December 7 at 12:00 p.m.** Please bring a covered dish. Pastor Jay will be frying turkeys. For more information, please contact Jay Goodman at 770-832-9605 ext 755, or jay@midwaychurch.com.

Women On Mission: Women on Mission meet the **1st Tuesday of each month**. If you have a heart for missions or want to know more about our missionaries and how you can pray for them, please join us. Women on Mission is a missional lifestyle, not just an organization. Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, December 7 at 7:00 p.m. in McGuire Hall**.

Caleb's Cousins Living Christmas Tree Trip: Join us as we travel to New Hope Baptist Church in Fayetteville, Georgia on **Thursday, December 9** to see the Living Christmas Tree. Space is limited to the first 30 seniors that sign up. Cost is FREE! Contact Pastor Jay at the church office with questions or sign up at the Information Desk in the Atrium.

Casa de Dios Children's Christmas Party: Casa de Dios Children's Christmas Party on **Saturday, December 11, from 9:00 am - 5:00 p.m. at Casa de Dios in the Senior Adult Hall**. If you are interested in serving or donating anything towards this outreach, please contact Lori Tomas, famtomas@bellsouth.net or 770-355-0374. The outreach is hoping to have crafts, small gifts, party foods, etc. to minister to approximately 50-60 children from local mobile home parks.

Christmas Outreach: Blink of an Eye will hold a Christmas Outreach at Magnolia Lake on **Sunday, December 12**. Come help us share the true meaning of Christmas with the residents of Magnolia Lake. Our team will provide refreshments, Christmas boxes, music, crafts, and share the Christmas story. For more information or to volunteer, contact Doug Allison at 770-214-2437.

Winter Xtreme: What do Tenth Avenue North, Tony Nolan, and Skillet have in common? They are part of the line-up of featured bands and speakers for Winter Xtreme in Pigeon Forge, TN. Midway Middle and High School students are invited to be a part of this retreat from **December 28 - January 1, 2011**. Students will spend these 5 days focusing on their relationship with Jesus Christ. Trip cost is \$350.00 and includes meals, snacks, lodging for 4 nights and 5 days, plus transportation, Bible study materials, a New Years Eve Party, and the Conference Fee. Teens will spend quality time away from the distractions of everyday life with counselors who really want to make a difference in their lives. Space is limited, so reserve your spot now! For more information, please contact Rusty Greene at 770-328-5858 or email to rusty@midwaychurch.com. You can also visit our student website at <http://www.247midway.com>.

English as a Second Language class: Do you know someone who would like to learn English, make friends, learn about Jesus, and fellowship with others? Midway is offering a new ESL (English as a Second Language) ministry on **Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in room B-107**. Classes are ongoing throughout the year and students are encouraged to start at anytime. Classes are offered to anyone of a foreign language who is seeking to learn basic English. For more information, please contact Danielle Breedlove at 770-276-6166 or email to daniellebree@yahoo.com.

The Joyful Sound (Midway's Children's Choir): Midway's "Joyful Sound Choir" practices on **Wednesday from 5:30 until 6:15 p.m. at Midway**. The Joyful Sound is for children ages 4 years old (as of September 1, 2010) through the 5th grade. It is a Worship Arts ministry which includes music and singing, drama, and arts & crafts. If you have a child who is interested in joining, please contact Darlene Agin at 770-710-3727 or e-mail dagin223@gmail.com.

Bible Blast Outreach: Every **Sunday evening from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**, Blink of an Eye ministry holds Bible Blast for the children of Magnolia Lake apartments located at 717 Burns Road in Carrollton. We offer a Bible study, snacks, crafts, and share the gospel. Please help us as we let the children and residents of Magnolia Lake know they matter to God and to Midway! For more information, contact Doug Allison at 770-214-2437 or email to dlallison@bellsouth.net.

Love. Loud. Puppy Love: The Loper LIFE Group class invites you to be a part of Puppy Love. Puppy love is a way to minister to residents in assisted living and/or nursing homes in the local community. Please bring your dog on a leash with current shot records to visit the residents. For more information on this month's date and location, please contact Kelley Summey at 770-265-0442 or email Christy Loper at Christy_loper@ucbi.com. Locations change monthly.

Faithful Foundation Choir: Midway's "Faithful Foundation Choir" meets **Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.** in the choir room at Midway.

Please email all information for entries to the monthly issue of The Wire no later than the 20th of the month to lesa@midwaychurch.com.

Wednesday Night Dinners

MIDWAY WEST:

December 1: Chicken/Rice Casserole, Green Beans, Roll and Dessert

December 8: Pizza and Dessert

December 15: Turkey, Dressing, Beans, Rolls and Dessert

Dinner is \$4 per person, \$2 per child or \$10 maximum per family. (Includes drink)

MIDWAY:

December 8: Spaghetti, Garlic toast, and Dessert (Student Fundraiser for Winter Xtreme)

December 15: Wendy's Cheeseburgers, Chicken Sandwiches, Chips, and Dessert.

January 5: Pizza, Salad, and Dessert

Dinner is \$4 per person or \$20 maximum per family. (Includes drink)

Food Pantry

The Food Pantry is in need of the following food items:

Canned Meats (Ham), Oatmeal, and Cereal. **We also accept cash donations.** Thank you Midway Church! Your donations of food have fed 5574 people so far this year. The Food Pantry would like to thank the Children & Preschool departments for their donations of food. We really appreciate your help with the pantry ministry.

The Food Pantry is in need of the following clothing items:

The Food Pantry needs new or gently used children's socks, sneakers and underwear in all sizes.

Each week the pantry needs non-perishable food items as well as personal hygiene items & cleaning products. You can drop off these items in the Food Pantry shopping carts around the Worship Center or you are welcome to come to the Food Pantry on Tuesday or Thursdays. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Hoyt and Marty Tarpley at 770-834-0734 or Paul Gentry, Food Pantry Director at 770-832-9605 ext 763.

Care Network Update

HOSPITAL:

NURSING HOMES:

Carrollton Nursing and Rehab Ctr - 2327 North Hwy 27, Carrollton -Montez "Tez" Graben

Douglas Rehab Ctr & Nursing— 4028 Hwy 5, Douglasville, GA 30135 - Ruby Hubbard

Horizon Bay - 530 Northside Drive, Carrollton, GA 30117 – John Lance

KNOWN SICK: Harry Turner Bobby Robinson Mike Scudder (in Ohio) Annie Ruth Miller Tom McClesky
Emily McPherson (Dan McPherson's mother) Becky Smith McKenzie Bates (Melanie Bate's granddaughter)
Curtis Crenshaw (Gail Patterson's dad) Janie Hudgins (Ginny Barney's mom) Alesha Hernandez (Gail Patterson's
daughter) Alex Moomey Wynn McBrayer (baby son of Scott & Ellen McBrayer) Kelly Nolan Joyce McNeely

Prayer Request Process: Our Prayer ministry is composed of several teams that are here to pray and intercede for you and others. Your prayer requests are important to us! Please submit requests to the church office at 770-832-9605 or email prayer@midwaychurch.com. Your requests will be sent to our prayer team during normal office hours. If an after hours emergency should arise, please call 770-832-9605 and select the "after hours emergency" option. Your message will be taken and forwarded to the pastor on call. Our prayer team is here to pray with you and for you. If you would like to be part of our Prayer team, fill out a Ministry Information form and drop it in the offering basket at the close of the service or email prayer@midwaychurch.com and put "ADD" in the subject line of the email.