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## Weekly NewsBrief Kingwood Christian Church

August 25, 2011

We're having a **Ministry Fair** on Sunday - head to the Fellowship Hall after worship for a variety of available ministries both "in and outside of our walls" - each table will also offer finger foods to "lunch" on as you walk around.

Come eat, explore, and enjoy!

### ***Reshaping KCC's Space to Better Fulfill our Mission*** ***By Bill Cowsar, Board President***

By now, you have all seen the new exterior paint and the covered walkway. In process are remodeled bathrooms with shower, new appliances in the kitchen, a new ceiling and lighting fixtures, new paint and new floor inside the fellowship building and new cabinets and paint for the children's church room. All of these improvements are being done with money from three substantial, unsolicited gifts. The total budget is just over \$165,000. Members saw a need for improvements to enhance the usefulness of facilities at KWCC and gave the money to make it happen.

It's amazing how everything we could have wanted for our congregation's present and future physical needs are happening without having to ask the congregation for any money.

Well, not quite everything. As anyone who has used the three new classrooms that were built into the fellowship area knows, they are extremely noisy. In order to save money, the rooms were built without ceilings. Also, anyone sitting down in that building risks walking away with a reminder of a past VBS or fellowship dinner on his pants. The chairs are close to thirty years old by now and show it. To take care of these two items and a few other odds and ends, the board is asking the congregation to pledge \$25,000. These funds will be used to enclose the classrooms, add lights and A/C ducts and purchase 120 new chairs. The pledge is to be collected over the next nine months as a special capital campaign. This pledge is to be over and above our annual pledge for the operating budget. We will be passing out pledge cards the next two Sundays. Either return the pledge card or e-mail our Financial Secretary, Rhonda Wallis [r\\_wallis@entouch.net](mailto:r_wallis@entouch.net). This is a chance for all of us to participate in this needed project.

Peace,

Bill Cowsar  
Board Chair

### ***Fellowship Hall Renovations Update*** ***By Les King, Property Chair***

The kitchen and restroom renovations began on Monday, August 22. We are asking that

all activities scheduled between 8 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday for the next 30 to 45 days be cancelled or moved outside of the Fellowship Hall. Activities during the evening should be reviewed and only use the Fellowship Hall if other options are not available. We will be moving walls in the kitchen and bathrooms and they will be out of service part of this time and no way to know which days in advance.

Thank you for your patience during this process.

## ***Chi Rho Fall Retreat is Coming - This year's theme: "Crossroads"***

***September 23 - 25, 2011***

**Location:** Cypress Creek Christian Church in Spring, TX  
**Check-In:** 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
**Closing Circle:** Sunday, 10:30 a.m., After Worship  
**Deadline:** Forms and payment must be postmarked by September 9th  
**Cost:** \$35.00 each youth and adult



Click here for the Flyer: [Chi Rho Fall Retreat Flyer](#)

Click here for the CPA Adult Form: [CPA Adult Registration Form](#)

Click here for the CPA Youth Form: [CPA Youth Registration Form](#)

## **Important Additional Notes**

### **Help Needed for Wednesday Night Family Meals**

Financial Peace University had its first meeting on Wednesday, August 24th. We are offering participants a snack supper at 5:30 p.m., prior to the class beginning at 6:00 p.m. Betty Garber has generously provided food for Wednesday night Music 'n Movement in the past, but will be out all semester due to upcoming surgery.

If anyone would be willing to help provide meals for our guests on Wednesday nights this Fall, we would greatly appreciate it. Please contact Karen Tillet ([kctillett@gmail.com](mailto:kctillett@gmail.com)), or 713-289-0338. You can also reach her through Facebook.

### **Adult Mission Trip Meeting, September 1st at 7:00 p.m.**

The adult mission trip to Grenada, scheduled for Spring Break, 2012, will have a meeting for prospective participants at the home of Ryan and Linday Nelson-Paryag at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 1st. Please save the date and we look forward to seeing you there.

### **KWCC & MIH: New Meeting To Grow A Special Relationship**

For almost two years God has granted KWCC the honor of sharing facilities with the congregation Ministerio Internacional Hebron (MIH). For the continued improvement of our relationship, it would make

sense to have an occasional meeting to pray for one another, explore avenues of mutual support, and manage the issues related to sharing space. We're looking for 3 or 4 KWCC members willing to meet for a couple of hours once every three months with our

counterparts from MIH. Contact the office if you might be sensing a call to this ministry.

## This Sunday, August 28, is Our Fall Ministry Fair & Lunch

Different ministries from all over the life of the congregation will set up display tables and snack food in the Fellowship Hall. Circulating through them will give folks a chance to see how God is working and to get an eclectic lunch all at once.

If you plan to set up a table, don't forget to bring a simple snack or side item to contribute to the lunch. The Fellowship Hall will be open from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, the 27th for early set up. Contact the office to let us know if you'd like to set up a table.

### Prayer Requests

#### Sympathy

For the family of **Teddie Gorman**, who passed away Wednesday night.

For the family of **Uriel Alaniz**, brother of Elda Felix, who passed away this week. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

For the family of **Vela Turner**, aunt of Bill Fowler, upon her recent death.

#### Healing, Courage and Strength

For **Liz Sledge**, who began six weeks of daily radiation treatments on August 22.

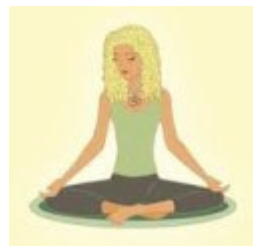
For **Cathy Cowsar**, who began chemotherapy on August 25.

For **Shawn Slaney**, new member, who continues to work through the effects of a brain aneurism he experienced last month.

For **Lindsey Davis Stover**, daughter of Marlece Davis, giving birth on 9/14/11. Prayers for a strong delivery as we celebrate the birth of this baby in Washington, D.C.

For **Donny Poteet**, who is hospitalized at Methodist Hospital.

For **Cammie Cannor**, friend of Mary Sue



**Something for Summer - Saturday Yoga Class at KCC**

**Time:** 8:30 am Saturdays in Choir Room (come a little early the first time to fill out a short questionnaire)

**What to bring:** yoga mat/supplies if you have them (not required)

**What to wear:** comfortable clothes that allow you to stretch and bend

**Cost:** \$10 for a drop in class or \$20 for a 4-class pass

**Instructors:** Kandi O'Malley and Robert Reynolds, Certified yoga instructor/therapists  
Childcare provided in nursery.

### *Opportunities to Reach Out: Service Beyond Our Walls*

**Interfaith Ministries** (Meals on Wheels) is looking for volunteers for a new project they are researching. They need people that will deliver once a month or Saturdays. The Sat. delivery would have food for the weekend. These meals are prepared and ready for delivery and you can pick and choose which area of Houston you are familiar with. We already have some volunteers from our church. If you are interested, please see John Erickson.

**Houston Food Bank - LAST FEW DAYS:**  
From now until August 30, Reliant Energy will match every dollar you give - up to \$50,000!

"This matching challenge couldn't have come at

McIlvain, following cancer diagnosis.

For **Reba Kingsbury**, friend of Marlece Davis, healing from a serious heart attack and in ICU at Memorial Hermann.

For **Bettie Woodworth**, friend of Mary Lou Jay, who is recovering from a fall and bruised ribs.

For **Francis Milner**, friend of the Jays & Pat Martin, who is recovering from a broken femur (upper leg).

For **Kenneth Benham**, grandfather of Alix Benham, for healing and strength.

For **Zach Winkler** (age 20), son of Tess Mustain's friend Janet Winkler, seriously injured in car accident.

### **Protection, Peace and Safe Return**

For **August Jacob**, friend of Tom & Sylvia Caskey, serving his second tour in Afghanistan.

For **Michael Craven**, grandson of Patrick and Andrea Conrad, stationed in Iraq.

For **Cody Kirkland**, marine and nephew of Kim Hill, currently serving in Afghanistan.

For Specialist **Matthew Parker**, son of Craig and Donna Parker, stationed at FOB Shank in Afghanistan and anticipated home in late October.

### **National and International Concerns**

We offer prayers to all who are hurting and in need. From people in our country facing economic turmoil, to famine in Africa and victims of T.S. Irene, to recent events in Libya, Syria and elsewhere in the Middle East. We pray for God's care and grace to fill each heart with peace, and to provide what is needed in these critical times.



a better time", says a spokesman for the Food Bank. "The Houston Food Bank's resources are being stretched as more and more families turn to us and our partners for help every summer. With children out of school and lacking their free school meals, many are at serious risk of going hungry."

Please consider helping by making the most generous gifts you can today. Your hungry neighbors are truly counting on your support.

**H.A.A.M.** - H.A.A.M. needs flour, sugar and canned meat products. These are items in short supply. Please remember when shopping for FIRST FRUITS. Thanks so much.

### *Serving this Sunday*

Greeters: Gene & Zoe Higgins,  
Margaret Hakim, Greg Ingram

Children's Church: Jordan Erickson,  
Rhaetta Gennusa, Emily Hollibaugh

Counters: Sandra Ingram, Greg Ingram

Communion Prep:  
Lynne Haley, Emily Hollibaugh

Communion: Tom Shane

Offertory: Craig Parker

Deacons:  
Lynne Haley, Emily Hollibaugh,  
Hollie Erickson, Cathy Gill

Youth Deacons:  
Ronnie Hakim, Colby Kaeser

Choir Deacons: Haley Wallis, Paige Wallis

Proctor:  
Lloyd Garber

Homebound Communion:  
Tom Shane, Craig Parker

Pianist: Pixie Thames

Song Leader: Lindy Nelson-Paryag

A/V Team:  
Pixie Thames, Andrea Conrad, Betty Garber,  
Tess Mustain, Bob Martin, Jeff Plummer, Jim

Save the  
Date:



## 2011 Disciple Men's Fishing Trip

The tentative date for the fishing trip to Top Water Charters in Louisiana is for November 10, 11, and 12. We will be leaving on the morning of November 10 and returning either November 12 or November 13. It is necessary to get confirmation from everyone who is making the trip, including each person's payment of \$700. This charge includes lodging, food, guide, and equipment for the trip. You would need to bring along with you a Louisiana fishing license (a temporary license can be ordered), rain jacket, mosquito repellent, sun glasses, and sun block, as well as any personal clothing that you may require.

Anyone else wanting to confirm that they intend to make the trip should e-mail me at the e-mail address below. If you wish to visit the website for the guide service, you may click the following link at [Top Water Lodge](#).

Please call me at the numbers below if you have any questions. Thanks.

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hear from  
you!*

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