

January 2, 2010

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## THE WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY – JANUARY 2

Young Adults Ministry on Ski Retreat in Durango, Colorado

12:30 PM	Nursing Home Ministry meets	Subway, 44 <sup>th</sup> St. & Indian School
2:00 PM	Nursing Home Ministry serves	Osborn Health & Rehabilitation
4:00 PM	New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	Carol Choir & Bell Canto Bells	206,207

EXCEL High School and Sunday Evening Prayer not meeting this evening

### MONDAY – JANUARY 3

Young Adults Ministry on Ski Retreat in Durango, Colorado

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Kick Boxing"	Fellowship Hall
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### TUESDAY – JANUARY 4

Young Adults Ministry on Ski Retreat in Durango, Colorado

### WEDNESDAY – JANUARY 5

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "That's A Stretch"	Fellowship Hall
5:00 PM	CBC Ringers (Youth)	Sanctuary
6:00 PM	Sanctuary Bells (Adults)	Sanctuary
6:45 PM	LOGOS Kids Club	Classrooms
6:45 PM	EXCEL Junior High	Fellowship Hall
6:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
6 to 7 PM	Young Adults Ski Retreat	returns to CBC
7:00 PM	EXCEL High School Small Groups	meeting at homes

### THURSDAY – JANUARY 6

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Cirque Du Soleil"	Fellowship Hall
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### FRIDAY – JANUARY 7

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Dance It Off"	Fellowship Hall
8:00 PM	Phoenix Chamber Music Society Concert	Sanctuary

*Harlem Quartet with Misha Dichter, Piano*

### SATURDAY – JANUARY 8

10:30 AM	S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! (55+) Monthly Coffee/Brunch	Library (204)
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### SUNDAY – JANUARY 9

9:00 and 10:40 AM	Prayer for Worship Services	Prayer Room
9:00 and 10:40 AM	MORNING WORSHIP	Sanctuary

Dr. Tim Savage

### THE APPLE FALLS NEAR TO THE TREE

#### Part 1

of a new series in the New Testament book of James

James 1:1-18

9:00 AM	Nursery (birth – 23 months)	301-304
9:00 AM	Children's Discipleship (24 mo – gr. 6)	101-103, 201, 203, 206
9:00 AM	Sojourners Adult Fellowship Class	208
9:00 AM	Diakonia Adult Fellowship Class	209
9:00 AM	Teleios Study: <i>Discipling the Next Generation</i>	Library (205)
9:00 AM	Teleios Women's Study: <i>Loving God w/ All Your Mind</i>	Family Rm
10:40 AM	Nursery (birth – 23 months)	301-304
10:40 AM	Children's Church (24 mo. – gr. 3)	101-103, 201, 203
10:40 AM	Teleios Study: <i>Discipling the Next Generation</i>	Library (205)
12:15 PM	NEW YEAR'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON	Fellowship Hall

### Mexican Potluck

Everyone bring a Mexican Dish to feed 8 to 10

(This is a TRUE POTLUCK – we bring all the food!!!!)

12:15 PM	Small Group Pastor-Elder Training	209
12:30 PM	Missions Team Meeting	Family Room
4:00 PM	New song singers & Campanitas Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	Carol Choir & Bell Canto Bells	206,207
6:00 PM	EXCEL High School	Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER	Library (205)

## Two Seasons . . . Same Reason

By Don Swierenga

Sharing a mid-season recap of Cityfest Season of Service at the close of the season of Advent brings out the parallel nature of the two "seasons": Celebrating the coming of Christ into our world. While the traditional celebration of His coming throughout December has ended, we look forward to His light continuing to shine in the dark places of the world around us. "Then your light will rise in the darkness and your night will become like the noonday." One way we have seen this prophesy in Isaiah 58 realized is through participation in the Season of Service.

The Season of Service commenced in October with a desire to get to know our community in new ways by bringing the light of Christ into places unfamiliar to many of us. The sense of newness comes from the impetus provided through Luis Palau's Arizona CityFest scheduled for March 19 & 20, 2011 at Tempe Town Lake. The efforts of nearly five hundred churches working together to bring the light of Christ into the community will culminate in a celebration where the good news of Jesus Christ will be powerfully brought to all those who attend from throughout the state. Details can be found at [www.arizonacityfest.org](http://www.arizonacityfest.org).

The fall outreach that our church had into the surrounding Creighton Elementary School District and Camelback High School provided wonderful opportunities to bring Christ to the city. Our primary desire to building relationships with these schools also brings with it an invitation to students to join us at the CityFest celebration in March. Meanwhile, we continue to pray for flourishing relationships with these schools in the New Year. Already plans are being made for our church to head into various neighborhoods where students who attend these schools live to serve in a Neighborhood Revitalization Impact Day on January 22, 2011. We are praying that plans to have many of these students serve with us on that date will come to fruition. Please mark the date on you calendar to join us as plans develop in early January.

Meanwhile, the Season of Service continued here in more familiar ways during the month of December. Bob and Heidi Vucurevich continued a rich tradition of hospitably opening their home to a large contingent of Native American brothers and sisters from churches that dot the reservations in northern Arizona. The activity of picking hundreds of grapefruit to be brought back north for the winter was the purpose of this grace filled experience. Over twenty kids from Camelback High School joined in what became a powerful reminder of how God brings us together from every tribe and nation for his purposes. Through the gracious hospitality of those serving from our church, the first Saturday in December continues as a memorial to one vision of community care at CBC that Charlie Erickson initiated thirty years ago.

The outreach to Osborn Health and Rehabilitation Center is another example of ways that CBC has faithfully reached out over the years to be a serving church. The faithfulness of this committed group led by David Haneke throughout the year culminated in a wonderful celebration of the love of Jesus Christ at the recent Christmas party there.

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Angel Tree ministry to families of those in prison continues to be a blessed tradition at our church thanks to the leadership of the Baldwin's and the Schwartz family. And for those in our church family without plans on Thanksgiving or Christmas, Mardette Hemann initiated a new tradition of providing a place to share a holiday dinner.

Thank you to all who participate in a variety of ways to care for many people through developing relationships God uses to make Himself known. We praise Him for the variety of ways we have been led to bring Christ to the city this year as we celebrate the light that came into the world!

Don Swierenga

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**CONGRATULATIONS** are extended from the CBC family to Kory and Christa Drent on the birth Tuesday, December 28<sup>th</sup> of their third child, a second son – Kellen James "Timmy" Drent. All are well and very happy! We join them in thanking God for a safe c-section delivery and praising Him for His goodness.

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**CBC MISSIONARY COUPLES WELCOME NEW GRANDCHILDREN!** Richard and Jennifer Beckham have a new grandson – Oliver James Beckham, born December 23<sup>rd</sup> to their son Joel and his wife Ellen. Malcolm and Peggy Hartnell welcome Zoe Adele Grace Siebert, born December 21<sup>st</sup> and adopted by their daughter, Katie, and her husband, Mike Siebert. And George and Wendy Payton's daughter Hilary gave birth to Jeremiah Luke on December 14<sup>th</sup>. We praise God for His gift of these new lives; may they soon give their lives back to Him through faith in Jesus Christ.

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**BIBLE READING CHALLENGE 2011** Many of us signed up for the Bible Reading challenge last Sunday; that is, to read through the Bible in 2011 using M'Cheyenne's calendar of readings. It is not too late to join in. If you did not get a calendar on Sunday you can access one from our blog ([cbcblreading.blogspot.com](http://cbcblreading.blogspot.com)). If you want to share what you are learning and learn from others join us on the blog each day. Questions about the calendar can be directed to Pastor Ron.

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**TELEIOS WINTER/SPRING 2011 IS HERE!** Registration is now open – and 19 fantastic classes are being offered. Please pick up a Teleios flyer, detailing all 19 classes beginning mid-January – either at the table on the patio, in the office or online at [www.cbcaz.org/adult/teleios](http://www.cbcaz.org/adult/teleios). We hope you'll take advantage of the great teaching offered here at CBC, season after season. The variety is wide and the purpose is to equip the saints (that's us!). Our growth in Christ enables us to minister more effectively – sharing Christ's love with each other and with our city. To register: Stop by our Teleios Booth following either worship service hour. Sign up for the class that best suits you OR simply call the church office (602-955-6470) Monday-Friday, from 9:00 to 4:00 PM.

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**S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! (55+)** will hold their next first-of-the-month coffee on January 8<sup>th</sup>, in deference to the first Saturday of the month falling on New Year's Day. Meeting at 10:30 in the Library (Room 205), this time of fellowship meets over a light brunch, typically with a CBC pastor, elder, staff member, or ministry leader.

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**REGISTRATION FOR THE 2011 WOMEN'S RETREAT** closes next Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, so please visit the registration table on the patio to register and make payments. This year's retreat focuses on resting in God, and we will be hearing from Suzy Kuhlman, Terri Sloan and Naomi Van Liew. The retreat is coming up on January 21-23 and there are just a few spaces left. Please contact Monica McQueen at 602-432-5100 if you are interested in attending.

### FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON 2011!

will be held next Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, following the 2<sup>nd</sup> service! Plan now to come to Fellowship Hall following the 2<sup>nd</sup> service to celebrate the New Year with your CBC family! Please plan to bring **MEXICAN FOOD** – the Luncheon is a **TRUE POTLUCK**, i.e. we bring ALL the food!!!! Think enchiladas, tacos, flautas, tamales, refried beans, Mexican/Spanish rice, salads, fruits, flans etc.

### SANCTUARY CHOIR SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

Following their break this past week, the Sanctuary choir will begin preparing for a joint concert with the Southwestern College Chorale that requires a fairly large choir. Pastor Tom encourages members of our church family who have a background in singing, or who want to learn more about singing, to join the choir when rehearsals resume on January 5<sup>th</sup>. The music is tentatively scheduled to be Randall Thompson's "Peaceable Kingdom" and short work by Bach. If you have any questions, you may email Pastor Tom at [tbookhout@camelbackbible.org](mailto:tbookhout@camelbackbible.org).

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**DISCOVERY II**, our next step in the membership process, will be held on four consecutive Sundays beginning on January 23<sup>rd</sup> and ending on February 13<sup>th</sup>. More details will be forthcoming, but any and all who have attended the **Discovery I** are eligible to attend, whether intending to pursue membership or not. Plan now to come to this deeper look into the role of God's church and your role within the church, God's family, Christ's body, here on earth! Call the office to sign up.

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**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT – TOY STORY 3** – will be held on Saturday, January 15, 6:30-9:00 PM in Room 207. It's FREE! Yummy fresh-popped popcorn and a great family movie, what could be better? This is a great outreach opportunity so invite friends and neighbors. To read a review of this fabulous movie, go to [www.pluggedin.com/videso/2010/q4/torystory3.aspx](http://www.pluggedin.com/videso/2010/q4/torystory3.aspx). See you on the 15<sup>th</sup>!

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**EXCEL WINTER RETREAT 2011 – ALL OUT WAR!** January 14-17, Pine Summit Camp, Prescott AZ. For students Grade 7-12 and **TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER!** The speaker will be Pastor Brent Klontz. Cost is \$135. The Bible says, "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." In 2006, U.S. Navy Seal Michael Monsoor did just that, demonstrating that LOVE WINS in ALL OUT WAR. Come hear the details of this amazing story as we seek the ultimate source of this GREAT LOVE, Jesus Christ. Register online by January 2<sup>nd</sup>: [www.cbcaz.org/excel](http://www.cbcaz.org/excel). (Make a summer camp commitment NOW and save \$50 off Summer Camp 2011, June 19-24 – pay only \$275 instead of \$325.)

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**CAMP NIGHT – PARENTS WELCOME!** Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-8:15 PM in room 207, Parents, come to Camp Night and get all your questions answered about our upcoming Spring Fling Retreat and our summer Family Camp.

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**SPRING FLING RETREAT**, March 4-6, Lost Canyon Young Life Camp in Williams, Arizona, for children grades 4-6. The cost is \$90 if paid by January 31<sup>st</sup> (Early-Bird Special) and \$100 after January 31<sup>st</sup>. Register on line at [www.cbcaz.org/springfling](http://www.cbcaz.org/springfling) by February 27<sup>th</sup>. Plan now to join us for a great weekend of challenging Bible lessons, singing, climbing tower, giant swing, field games, crafts and more! Questions? Please contact Pastor Jason at 602-955-6370 or [doughty@camelbackbible.org](mailto:doughty@camelbackbible.org).

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**FAMILY CAMP 2011 OFFERS TWO OPTIONS THIS YEAR: Half Week, July 3-6; Full Week, July 3-9!** Family camp is time well spent with your church family. Grow together in Christ, be refreshed by the Gospel, and be challenged to live out your faith. Please contact Pastor Jason to learn more, [doughty@cbcaz.org](mailto:doughty@cbcaz.org).

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Over 100 people; Hundreds of Grapefruit!

