

**January 2008 West Wind**  
*West Side Church of God*  
December 21, 2007

Pastor Forest will be on vacation from Dec. 24 to Jan. 2. If you have a pastoral need, please contact the prayer chain (see below).

Alison will be on vacation from Dec. 24 to Jan. 3.

To start the Prayer Chain from Dec. 24–29 contact  
Barbara Owens from 8 am to 11 pm  
Sandra Carr from 11 pm to 8 am

To start the Prayer Chain from Dec. 29–Jan. 3  
contact Mickey McGee

To start the Prayer Chain after Jan. 3, contact  
the office or Pastor Forest until a  
Prayer Chain Coordinator is in place.

2008 Offering Envelopes are available  
in the west foyer. Please contact the office  
if you would like envelopes.

December 30<sup>th</sup> is the last day for  
2007 giving contributions.



**“Happy is he...whose hope  
is in the LORD his God.”**  
Psalm 146:5

God of hope, thank You for the incredible happiness I feel when I trust You completely. The expectation of Your timely interventions to help me gives me stability and serenity. It makes me bold and courageous, fearless and free. You have shown me that authentic hope always is rooted in Your faithfulness in keeping Your promises. I hear Your assurance. “Be not afraid. I am with you.” I place my hope in Your problem-solving power. Your conflict-resolving presence, and Your anxiety-dissolving peace.

Lord, You have helped me discover the liberating power of an unreserved commitment to You. When I commit to You my life and each of the challenges I face, I am not only released from the tension of living on my own limited resources, but also a mysterious movement of Your providence begins. The company of heaven, plus people and circumstances begin to rally to my aid. Unexpected resources are released: unexplainable good things start happening. I claim the promise of Psalm 37:5: “Commit Your way to the LORD, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass.”

*Prayer of Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie  
(used with permission)*

<http://www.lloydjohnogilvie.com/daily.php>

Watch for an update from the Pulpit/Search Committee in next month's West Wind. The committee thanks you and appreciates your prayers. They ask for your continued prayer support.

The new CELL Group books  
**Heirs of the King** are here. \$9 each.  
Please see Rebecca Chandler or  
your CELL Group leader for your book.

Want to play VOLLEYBALL on West Side's team? The co-ed adult Christian league that we sponsor in the Family Life Center will have its winter season from January 17<sup>th</sup> – March 13<sup>th</sup> 2008. There is a sign-up sheet next to the basement stairs.

West Side Church of God is part of the McCormick Neighborhood Association (the area between Kellogg & May and Meridian & the Arkansas River). If you live in this area, you can attend the neighborhood association meetings held at 1749 S. Martinson. Meetings in 2008 are January 8, February 12, and March 11.

### YOUTH GIVING TO BFC

Through their tithes from fund raisers and the pop-can recycling project, the youth gave \$762.23 to the Building Fund Campaign in 2007. Remember to bring your empty pop-cans to the bin outside of the garage in Pastor Forest's back-yard. The youth sell these at a local recycling company and give all the income to BFC (\$407.10 in 2007).

Save the Date: Our Faith Promise  
Missions Convention is February 23 & 24.  
Don & Chris Smith, our Living Links  
in Kenya, East Africa, will be our guests.



**All Church Sing Along**  
**Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup>**  
6:00 pm in the Family Life Center  
Sing Along to your favorite holiday  
music. Bring a snack to share.  
Stay for games. Join us for this  
festive time for fun and fellowship!

**ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**  
*(2007 Finances & 2008 Proposed Budget)*  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 13 at 6:00 pm**