

# MISSIONS SUNDAY JANUARY 3, 2010

## Today's Schedule

### Morning Worship

**9:30 AM** Sunday School

**10:30 AM** Children's Church: *Paula Stubblefield*  
Praise & Worship: *Praise & Worship Team*  
Message: *Rev. Douglas Martin*



### **6:00PM PRAYER & PRAISE**

Join us for this special time of worshiping the Lord with prayer and praise.

### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please email your announcements to [debbieshoup@gmail.com](mailto:debbieshoup@gmail.com) no later than Tuesday.*

## *Look what's happening at CCRO!*

Missions  
Sunday

**MISSIONS SUNDAY** Today is Missions Sunday. Please remember to pray for our missionaries who are faithfully serving the Lord both internationally and close to home.

**PRAYER WEEK** This week, we will enter into our annual week of prayer and fasting. Booklets and bookmarks are available to help guide you through this week of prayer. The theme is "Overcoming Obstacles to Prayer".



**CONNECTION GROUPS 2010** will begin Sunday, Jan. 10th at 6:00pm. The series is titled, "How to Live". Invitations are being distributed over the next week. If you do not receive yours, or would like more information about our small groups, please see Rev. Cindy Thomas.

**S.A.L.T. WOMEN'S MINISTRIES** will be meeting at Tasha Martin's house on Jan. 17th for "Mugs-N-Muffins". We would like to have a variety of muffins. If you have a tasty muffin recipe and would like to help, please let Tasha know. If you need a recipe, she can provide one for you.



A Sunday School teacher is needed for the preteen class. If you would like more information, please see Bryan Thomas.

**VISION TEAM** of all board members and spouses along with department heads will be meeting from 8AM-noon on Saturday, January 9th. Coffee and donuts provided.



# Pastor's Corner

## WHAT'S NEXT?

God in his gracious provision grants us a new year every year! From the very beginning we can trace through the record of Scripture His cycles of seasons, day and night, week, month, and years. We are standing at the beginning of a whole new year a whole new cycle as a church in the position of asking: "What's next?"

As you already aware I am in the middle of the pursuit of a degree in Church Leadership and Church Ministries. This is part of the answer for our next. Through much prayer and consideration we find ourselves as a church leadership and as a church considering the question "Do we stay or do we go?"

Our community has quickly changed, our congregation over the past fourteen years has changed, and our leadership has changed. This leaves us with the task of asking questions, praying, and discerning the direction of God for us as his people which gather as Community Church of River Oaks.

Vision and Mission are the two watchwords of our immediate NEXT. We will be gathering together and asking and answering probing questions that touch upon the needs of our community, the gifts and passions of our congregation, and the passion of our leadership. The place at where these intersect is the place where God's mission and our vision combine into a powerful expression of ministry.

Pray for your leadership for courage to ask all the questions that must be asked as well as courage to consider the answers with wisdom and humility.

Pray for the right mix of people to form as a vision team so that we might discover together what God has placed in us and desires to reveal.

Pray for direction into our NEXT as we seek to answer a key question in the light of God's will and resources!

*Pastor Doug*