# **LOD News Flash**

# **Highlights**

# Change for Change December

# <u>Christmas Giving</u> <u>Opportunities</u>

Designated Gifts to
Angel Tree Families
Neighborhood Ministries
LOD's Congregational Needs
Fund

### Use Your State of Arizona Tax Credits to Benefit our Mission Partners

Your contribution to the following ministry partners allows you to receive a dollar for dollar credit (\$800 for a married couple, \$400 for single taxpayers) against any income tax calculated on your Arizona Income Tax Return (Form 140AX) Unused credits can be carried forward to subsequent years.

Foothills Food bank
Neighborhood Ministries
Maggie's place
Streetlight Ministries (eligible for an additional \$500/\$1000 credit)

# Upcoming Events & Activities

Nov 30 Men's Bible Study Rustic Cafe 6:30a - Colossians

Nov 30 Scotts Conservatory of Performing Arts 3:00-6:00p

Dec 1 Worship Team 6:30p

Dec 3 Hike Black Mountain 8:30a at LOD

Dec 2-4 Agua Prieta Trip

Dec 4 Worship 9:00 & 10:45

Dec 4 JAM 5:00p

Dec 4 AHA 6:30p

Dec 6 YMCA – Chair Yoga 9:00am Sanctuary

# <u>LOD</u> <u>Connections</u>

# Agua Prieta

#### **Upcoming Trips**

Friday - Sunday Dec 2-4th

Install windows, doors and Roof. Finish home and dedicate to new family.

### **Hikers**

There will be a hike up Black Mt. this Saturday (weather permitting) We will meet at the church at 8:30 a:m. This is a challenging hike so make sure you bring enough water and a snack, hiking boots are also encouraged. Please RSVP by Friday to Tamra tamraduncan2@gmail.com.

### **Holiday Concert**

If you need a break from shopping and would like to hear some beautiful Christmas music you are invited to our

#### Paradise High School Holiday Concert,

#### Friday Dec. 9th at 7:00 p:m.

We are accepting canned food donations for the "food bank" The location is Paradise Valley High School auditorium. There will be music from our Choirs, orchestra and band. If you have any questions email Tamra at: tamraduncan2@gmail.com

# Bible Study Opportunities

Romans 12:2 "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect."

# Sunday Morning Adult Study

Session II (3 weeks)

"The Ten Commandments"
Dec 4-18 - 10:45am

#### Wednesday Early Morning Men's Study - Colossians Rustic Café

20811 N Cave Creek Rd North of the 101 east side of the road. 6:30 to 7:30am

# Children's Christmas Presentation

Practice will be every Sunday
Nov 13<sup>th</sup> thru Dec 11<sup>th</sup>

right after the 2nd service and will last approximately 45 minutes.

# Global Connections

# Hope 4 Kids Christmas Catalogue

Look for it on our H4K Table

Or access it at h4ki.org/christmasgiving

# Walk for Water Cave Creek

### Saturday, January 21st 2017

Mark your calendars!

### Walk for Water International

Check –in at 8:00 am Saddle Creek Coffee Co. 28212 N Tatum

Walk in Dynamite Park

Goal: Raise \$10,500 to drill a well in
the village of Kakerei-Kampala,
Uganda Africa impacting about 1500
children and 720 adults plus
surrounding schools and villages

## Sign-Up to "Walk" or Sponsor a "Walker" be an Event Sponsor

packages available starting at \$100.

## at w4ki.org/w4w/cavecreek

We need volunteers to help with this event to sign-up or for more information check in at the Hope4Kids Table in the narthex.

## **Hope4Kids Mission Trips**

There are many opportunities to take a short term mission trip this year with Hope4Kids. I can tell you from personal experience – there is nothing quite like it. Here are the planned trips for this year, for more information you can contact their office at (623) 979-5516 or email amy@h4ki.org.

# Trips for 2017

February:

7-16 **Philippines** 21-28 Cuba

March:

7-20 India 21-4/3 Uganda

May:

9-18 Romania

July:

4-17 Uganda 17-30 Uganda 25-8/7 Namibia

September:

Guatemala 12-19

October:

**Philippines** 10-19 24-31 Cuba

**November:** 

7-20 Uganda

If you have sponsored a child(ren) with Hope4Kids they will have scheduled time for you to get to meet them.

This is an opportunity that will change your life!

## **Urgent Need**

One of our missionary teams, Annie and Louis Liss are returning to the states for an unscheduled visit in order to for their daughter Kyrie to have a needed surgery which will take place in December. Funds are need for the surgery as there is no insurance and also for their provision while here. You can participate by giving a Designated Offering for The Liss Family.

### **Pray for our Missionaries**

### **VOM – Persecuted Church**

Continue to pray for those who are being persecuted for their faith in Jesus Christ

#### Hope4Kids/Kasolo Uganda

- 1. Pray for the people in our village, for their health and safety and most of all that they might each grow to have a deep relationship with God.
- 2. **Pray** about going on a mission trip
- 3. **Donate** for the Village of Kasolo
- 4. Put together a Hygiene Kit
- 5. Pray about sponsoring a child
- 6. Pray about sponsoring a women one year educational program- upon graduation she is prepared to better support herself and her family.

#### Bangladesh - Scotts

Give thanks for the students who are new to LAMB School this year. prayers that they will settle in well and know of God's great love for them. Prayers for Kyle and his team - unity as they make plans for LAMBs future.

#### Bosnia -

#### Pastor Karmelo Kresonja The Eikosts **Pastor Sasa**

Join us in praying for:

- Spiritual maturity among believers
- Physical and spiritual healing for the sick among us
- Pastor Saša and his new pastoral team
- Youth work
- Opportunities in Maglaj
- The Ilidža Church Plant
- Operation Christmas Child Outreach: Dec 20-24
- Christmas Service (Dec 25th): to use this evangelistic opportunity well and for non-believers to come!

#### China - Gronseths

Please pray for Betsy's full recovery from surgery.

Prayers for God's guidance and leading in this ministry and for good health and protection for all involved.

#### France - Goods

Pray for their ministry in this university city that has a potential to reach over 60,000 students and their outreach to the neighborhoods.

#### Lebanon - Liss'

Prayers for safety as they continue to minister in this volatile area

# **Community Connections**



**December WISH LIST** \* SOUPS, CHILI, STEWS, CREAM, etc. \*

Potato sides, Rice Sides, Pasta Sides, Jelly, Peanut Butter **Canned Pasta and Pasta Sauce** Tuna, Salmon, Chicken, Spam Toiletries: Soap and Shampoo, **Toothpaste** 

Diapers – Newborn, size 4, size 5, size 6

Donations can be taken directly to the food bank at 6038 E. Hidden Valley Dr. Cave Creek

Support for the Food Bank can also be given thru Arizona Tax Credits. Check out foothillsfoodbank.com

## **Salvation Army Bell** Ringers

Here is a great way to reach out to the community.

Bell Ringers are needed for

Fridays and Saturdays December 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> and December 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

Two hour shifts are available between 10:00am and 6:00pm Call Jim Shaw 480-488-3590 or 480-595-9828 to sign up or for more information.

#### **Kiwanis Market Place**

Are you putting away your summer things - cleaning out those closets and deciding what to keep and what to give away?

The Marketplace is a great option for giveaways. You can drop off items Wednesday thru Saturday 9 to 1 or call them for pick-up, 480-488-8400