

# C.E.C. Newsletter

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## Welcome 2009

Whew! What a busy time we have had this fall and start to winter. You would think that after all these years I would be ready for the rush that always sneaks up on us but I never seem to be! Christmas is such a blessed time of year that it's easy to anticipate Jesus birth, that the normal things just seem to be put on the back burner. Thanks to all who put up with my rushing here and there, most importantly the teachers and students.



## Christmas Program

I know it's after the fact, but I would like to thank Victoria Schultz and Sue Fletcher for the wonderful job they did with the Christmas program. The program itself was put together by Tori and with the addition of Sue as Grandma it was great. Of course the children did a wonderful job again. Each year the message is the same but the presentation is always original, fresh and sometimes even a bit surprising. I would also like to thank all the teachers who helped get the shepherds, kings and Mary and Joseph in at the correct time. Also, thanks to the two teachers who carried all the costumes back upstairs and put them away for another year. I appreciate all the hands that made this a very memorable morning for all.

Just for everyone's information, Easter Sunday is the next time the Sunday School will be a part of leading worship – so Mark your calendars! Please try and keep your children here these Sundays prior to Easter so all learn the music and help us make a joyful noise once again.



## Regular Attendance So Important

Parents, grandparents and caregivers, I ask for your help in keeping the children in Sunday School. I know that the cold weather deters some but it is so important for regular attendance not only for the children but also

for the teachers. I know that a lot of preparation goes into providing your children with a meaningful lesson each week, and it is very disappointing when the children are absent. Each week, the children continue to learn the

importance of Jesus in their life and they also have the opportunity to see their friends each week or meet new friends.

## Help is Needed

I know that Christmas has just passed but I would like to send out a desperate plea to members of our congregation. We are greatly in need of more costumes. Some of the ones we have are really getting to look threadbare and with our children getting taller and taller, they just don't fit properly. I have patterns for a very simple "shift-type" costume that I would gladly lend out to anyone who would like to sew some, but anyone who would just like to donate some material – we will take that also.

Also, if anyone has any old clothes that we could adapt to a costume, please bring it in and we will see what can be done. We especially need glitzy items for our kings.

Thanks so much, ahead of time, for helping me search for future costumes for the students.

## A Note from C.E.C.

I'd like to thank all who continue to support us throughout the year. This is a time of year when we need your support through prayer to keep our numbers strong. Also, any monetary support you can give helps our program immensely, as we use all offerings toward our curriculum and items needed in the classrooms. It takes many hands and hearts to make the program run and with your continued help and prayers our program will continue to be strong for many years.

God Bless You All,

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