

Welcome to Everyone today. May your time at Happy Valley be a blessed one and we would Love to catch up with you over a cuppa after the Service.

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CELEBRATION SUNDAY!!

2010

Exciting things to share.

Watch this space next week for details!!

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SCHOOLS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The programs went very well. Thank you to all who prayed. Thanks also to all those who were on teams and who helped by wrapping parcels, cutting out "Js", "Ys" and angels. The children loved it!

Some encouraging comments from teachers;

- * The children loved the activity based learning. Great team work. Well done!
- * Educational. It helped students understand why we celebrate Christmas. Prior to this session I had a student who didn't know who Jesus was
- * Fantastic. So many support staff who did a great job. I loved it! Thankyou!
- * The main message was age appropriate, clear and simple
- * A fun way to deliver the Christmas story. For some children it would be their first encounter with it.
- * I always follow this up with the setting up of my nativity scene in my classroom.

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Nina Corlett-McDonald's CD's

If you missed purchasing one of Nina's CD's last week....see **Liz** or **Janet** with your \$20 and request.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Today we light the JOY candle on the Advent wreath to signify the Third Sunday in Advent. We are blessed to have the Choir leading us in worship. Thanks to **Liz Young** and team for all the hard work.

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Readings for 20th Dec

Call to worship: Psalm 72:1-7

Old Testament: Isaiah 35:1-10

Sermon Text: Matthew 3:1-12

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GRAPEVINE BREAK!!

Next week will be the last Grapevine for 2009 so if you have **ANYTHING** you would like bring to people's attention over the holiday break....then **NEXT WEEK** is **IT!!** We will resume on the **31st January 2010!!!**

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2010 CALENDARS!!!

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If you haven't bought your 2010 Calendar yet....why not purchase a **CKS** calendar with beautiful photos of what God is doing in North Uganda. All proceeds go to Childcare Kitgum Servants to help educate, feed and provide medicine to 10,000 children. **See Janet or Riessen.**

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UNOH MAKE IT TO SUNRISE!!

It was great see the story of **Ash and Anji Barker** and the wonderful work of Urban Neighbours of Hope featured on Morning TV on Thursday. If you missed it go to this link. Yahoo!7 Sunrise-Video and click on 'Suburbs to Slums' under videos. Great exposure!!!

CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, 18th December at 7.30 pm, at the church.

"The Nativity Story".

One Family. One Journey. One child who would change the world forever.

Come and share together in this Christmas movie

Free admission – bring your own nibbles.

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Operations Assistant – World Vision (SA/NT State Office)

- Adelaide CBD Location
- Part time role

World Vision is Australia's largest overseas aid and humanitarian organisation. As well as providing relief in emergency situations, we work on long-term development projects with local communities to address the causes of poverty and help them become self-sufficient. Our mission is to engage Australians in the effort to eliminate poverty and its causes.

See the notice board for the full Position Description and how to apply.

Applications close: **FRIDAY 18th December 2009**

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GMP UPDATE

SUDAN

- Almost immediately after Christmas Steve Blacket, Joseph Mawien and Ros Stafford-Green leave Adelaide for Sudan. They will spend a week in Juba connecting with the government and other agencies before travelling on to Aweil. In Aweil the focus will be primarily on the partnership with the Aweil Civic Hospital. The team will also meet with Paul Douglas, the leader of an American Churches of Christ mission agency, and the team from the US. They will also support some of the work of the churches in the Aweil region.

ZIMBABWE

- BJ and Chipu Mpofu have had a long year with the continuing challenges of life in Zimbabwe and a number of deaths in the family including BJ's mother. They praise God for the continuing support and encouragement of churches in Australia. Pray for health and strength for them.