



The Link

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Updated Prayer Requests



- Please keep **Bob N.** in prayer as he is dealing with health issues.
- **Sandy S.** announced that she will be a grandmother again, this time to a boy to be born to her daughter this fall.
- **Eli, DCC visitor**, asks for prayer for his business partner's mother, **Cindy**, who has inoperable brain cancer.
- **Jack C.**, friend of the Nordykes is doing a little better and has some movement.
- **Robert C., Donna & Bob's son** and his wife are expecting their first baby, due in

- November.
- **Rev. Oran N.** will be having cataract surgery soon.
- The prayer requests in *The Link* each week are recent updates. A list of ongoing prayer requests appears in our worship bulletin each Sunday.
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New *Link* Series!

A new series will be featured in upcoming *Links* in the near future. It will be titled, "Getting to know..." and I will be "electronically interviewing" DCC members. I am developing a questionnaire that I'll email to members throughout the coming months asking for information about their lives (nothing too personal, mind you!) and then write an article based on their feedback. Nancy Hall has agreed to take pictures of my interviewees which will be put in the *Link* along with the article.

I hope you will all be willing participants and that you find this to be an interesting and fun way to get to know each other even better than you already do! Fred Hall has agreed to be the first to be interviewed once I've fine tuned the questionnaire.

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Music Notes



Upcoming concerts

The choirs of **Westwood JHS** (DCC choir member, Marin) and **Richardson HS** invite you to a free concert on **Monday, May 17th at 7:30 p.m.** at Richardson High School.

Chancel Choir schedule

Sunday, May 16th - Handbells will do special music. No Chancel Choir warm-up.

Remainder of May will be our usual 6:30 Wednesday rehearsal and 9 a.m. Sunday warm-up.

Summer break for choir begins in June.

Handbell Choir schedule:

We'll rehearse Sunday, May 16th at 9:30 a.m. for our special that day.

Summer Specials:

If you are interested in providing special music during June, July or early August, please contact Music Director, Laura Young.

Thank you!

Rev. David's Schedule

Rev. David, Kristina and their children are on vacation through Wednesday, May 26. They will be visiting and traveling with family in addition to attending David's mother's graduation from college. We wish them safe and happy travels!



If members need to discuss anything of a spiritual nature or medical issue, please contact one of the church Elders in David's absence.

DCC Board Meeting

A board meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, May 16 at 7 pm**. All board members and committee chair people should plan on attending this important meeting. Be sure to put it on your calendar!



Disciples Women's Ministry

Next month's **DWM meeting** will take place on **Tuesday, May 18 at 7 pm**. The meeting will be at the party room of Barbara R.'s apartment. The book for this month is "One Thousand White Women, The Journals of May Dodd" by Jim Ferguson. Copies of the book are available if anyone is interested in reading this with the group. New readers are welcome and reading the book is not a requirement.



DCC Outreach Projects

by Barbara Ramsey

Some exciting Outreach projects are underway at DCC. Rev. David previewed our Church World Service Emergency Clean-Up Kits and the Hygiene Kits during his time with the children a few Sundays ago.

The kits are used for disaster relief around the world. Huge shipments have been sent to Haiti, Chile, and China since their recent earthquakes, and we need to replenish the CWS warehouse. The Clean-up Kits will be greatly needed for the current flooding in Tennessee. There are several ways that you can be a part of this undertaking:

- Sign out one of the large orange paint buckets and fill it with the lists included
 - Pick up a list of items from both kits. Purchase some of the items for either kit, bring back to church to help fill buckets or bags (for hygiene kits).
 - You can donate money and Chuck and Nancy will shop in bulk.
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Emergency Clean-Up Buckets

These supplies enable people to begin the overwhelming job of cleaning up after a flood, tornado, or other disaster.



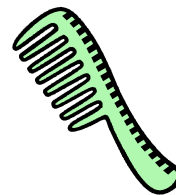
What a wonderful start, on the first day of our drive for kits five empty buckets were taken to be filled-three by the Chinese Church, one by a DCC Sunday School Class, and one by an individual DCC family.

- ~~One five-gallon bucket with re-sealable lid~~ (These have been donated already)
- Five scouring pads
- Seven sponges, assorted sizes
- Eighteen cleaning towels (reusable like Easy Wipes)
- One 50-78 oz box of dry laundry detergent
- One 12 oz bottle of liquid concentrated household cleaner (like Lysol)
- One 25 oz bottle of liquid disinfectant dish soap
- One package of 48-50 clothespins
- Clothesline, two 50 feet, or one 100 ft
- Five dust masks
- Two pairs latex gloves (like Playtex)
- One pair of work gloves
- 28 bag roll of heavy-duty trash bags (30-40 gallon)
- One 6-9 oz bottle of insect repellent (pump, drops or lotion- **NOT AEROSAL**)

Hygiene Kits

Item can be dropped off in basket by the nametags/ Food Pantry items.

- One hand towel measuring approx 16' X 28"
- One washcloth
- One wide-toothed comb
- One nail clippers
- One bar of soap (bath size in wrapper)
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Six standard size Band-Aids



Please no toothpaste because CWS will add toothpaste with extended expiration dates when they send the kits to victims. Each kit will be put in a zip-loc gallon size bag.

May Young at Heart

Young at Heart for the month of May will take place on **Thursday, May 20 at 6:30 pm**. The meal will take place at Olive Garden Restaurant off Central Expressway, just north of Plano Parkway, on the access road. Please let Gena or Jeff Hurst know if you'll be attending. 972-964-0527 or genahurst@yahoo.com.



Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 23 is Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost is one of the Christian church's more exuberant and joyful celebrations. Considered to be the Church's birthday, Pentecost takes place fifty days after Easter Sunday ... **the purest meaning of Pentecost is that of a time of renewal for Christian believers.**



On Sundays, May 16 and 23, DCC will be taking up a Pentecost offering. The theme again this year is **Expanding the Table**. The offering helps to fund recruitment, coaching and training of new church ministers. By **Expanding the Table**, we are reaching out to serve multitudes and to share God's message in new ways. Please remember to wear something red on this day.

Habitat for Humanity

On **Saturday, June 5th**, DCC members can provide either food, prepare it or deliver food to the work site for South Collin County Habitat for Humanity located on Avenue G just south of 15th in the Douglass Area. John Prewitt has the sign-up sheet for this, so please let him know in what way you are able to volunteer. Thanks so much!

Many Thanks!

Dear Church Family,

Walt and I want to thank you for the many cards, calls and prayers. Walt is home now and each day he is getting stronger. With God's help and prayers he will continue to gain his strength. Thank you again for all your kindness. Love to all,

Walt & Rebecca



Memorial Day Holiday

Please note that the DCC office and Bright Beginnings Preschool will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.



The Mission of Disciples Christian Church

In order to follow Jesus and worship God, we will serve our neighbors. We will minister to our fellow Christians. We will live and tell the good news of Jesus Christ in all we do.

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