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"The friendly little church on the Circle in Everglades City"





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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 9 Sue Nap
- 11 Cecil Barker
- 22 Jeanine Roth
- 23 Steve Lee
- 24 Terry Derleth
- 29 Wanda Collins

In 1 Corinthians 12, Paul speaks very clearly about the importance of the functions of each part of the body to make up the whole body. The same is true of the church. Each person has been given a special gift or interest to use to benefit or make up the church body. Just as the body is not complete without all the parts working together, the church is not complete without each one of us (seasonal or local) using our interests and abilities to make the church body complete. We cannot contact each one of you individually about your interests, but at our annual meeting December 10th we need to present to the church a list of all the committees who make up the church body. No job is too small or large or more or less important than another. What is your interest? Tell us where you would like to serve. Please contact Millie at 615-889-8560 or miwall@centurylink.net.

NOVEMBER IS CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX TIME



The Amazing Journey of a Simple Shoebox Gift
Begins with You and Results in Evangelism, Discipleship, and
Multiplication

Packing

From children to seniors, people <u>pack shoebox gifts</u> each year to bless children in need around the world. Parents often use the project to teach their kids about giving. <u>Year-round volunteers</u> support these efforts across the country.

Collecting

Churches and groups of all sizes <u>collect boxes</u> from their communities. Some churches also serve as <u>drop-off locations</u> for shoeboxes the third week of November every year.

Shipping

<u>Thousands of volunteers</u> serve annually inspecting and preparing shoeboxes for international shipping. Every hour work stops for a few minutes to pray for the children who will receive the boxes. <u>This is where our church becomes part of the shoebox journey</u>. <u>We help pay the postage</u>. WE ARE RECEIVING DONATIONS NOW THROUGH November 12th. USE THE SUNDAY OFFERING PLATE, MAIL YOUR CHECK TO THE CHURCH P.O. BOX, OR USE STRIPE ON OUR WEBSITE.

Worldwide Distribution

Long before shoeboxes arrive in more than 100 countries, volunteer National Leadership Teams train pastors and community leaders who want to share the <u>message of the Gospel</u> and bless children. The leaders learn how to host child-friendly outreach events, and how to implement The Greatest Journey follow-up discipleship program.

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HOMECOMING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19th



Come, worship with us, and help welcome our friends back. We have planned a delicious turkey dinner for our after-church luncheon. It will be a wonderful time being together with all your friends here at "*The Friendly Little Church on the Circle in Everglades City*." You will want to make this a special time as you visit with all your friends. Don't miss it!