



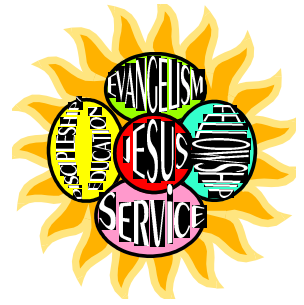
God's Senior Ministry of VPCOG

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"...Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel.' which is translated, "God with us"" (Matthew 1:23)"

**Next meeting: Saturday, December 15th - 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.**

December 3, 2018


My dear brothers-and-sisters-in-Christ (and you are very dear to me),

"Just as our Lord came into human history from outside it, He must also come into me from outside. Have I allowed my personal human life to become a "Bethlehem" for the Son of God?" (Oswald Chambers: My Utmost for His Highest, 12/25.) **Merry Christmas!**

★ **#1 - Born To Die: (See attached.) The first concert is today!** What a wonderful way to get into the true spirit of Christmas with a God-inspired musical adaptation of the story of Christ from his birth, to his death, to his resurrection! The music is glorious using styles from gospel to jazz to operatic with a choir of over 100 voices and soloists who rival any of the best voices you have ever heard. If you want a blessing, come out to ***Born To Die***. The composer is Glenn Burleigh who composed such songs as *Order My Steps* and *The Lord Is in His Holy Temple – Keep Silent*. **I am hoping that those of you who have already attended a performance of BTD will let others know how you were blessed.**

**#2 – God's Senior Ministry Christmas Party: (See attached.)** We are still going to celebrate Christ's birthday on December 12<sup>th</sup>, but **everything else has changed**. Read the attachment carefully for the changes. Hope to see you there!

★ **Wanted: Doorkeepers for the house of the Lord!** Our wonderful, well-trained and diligent ushers are looking for more ushers. We will soon be moving into our sanctuary, and there is a need for **more ushers to help maintain this excellent ministry**. "Service is the overflow which pours from a life filled with love and devotion...Service to God is the deliberate **love-gift of a nature that has heard the call of God.**" (Oswald Chambers: My Utmost for His Highest, 1/17)

★ **Wentworth Rehabilitation & Health Care Center – Thursday, December 20th – 10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.** This month, we will be *visiting on the 20th instead of the 27th.* We will be distributing gifts to bless the residents. We will also perform our annual Christmas play: **Christmas in Word & Song!** If you have secret or not so secret yearnings to be a thespian, come out. There are plenty of parts to go around!  **You are always welcome to join us at the corner of 69<sup>th</sup> & Wentworth. You can make a difference, too.**

★ **Dues:** Dues are still just \$2.00 per month - \$24.00 per year. Benevolence fund: \$5.00/yr.



How would you like to possibly change a life forever? Under the leadership of Min. Quincy Dyer our Outreach Pastor, the church is now collecting Bibles and devotional materials to be distributed at prisons. The collection boxes are located in the hallway that leads to our worship service. ***We may not know until we reach heaven*** who was influenced by our Bibles and devotional materials. How rewarding and exciting!

**"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine..."**Prov. 17:22a



**"A minister told his congregation, "Next week I plan to preach about the sin of lying. To help you understand my sermon, I want you all to read Mark 17." The following Sunday as he prepared to deliver his sermon, the minister asked for a show of hands. He wanted to know how many had read Mark 17. Every hand went up. The minister smiled and said, "Mark has only 16 chapters. I will now proceed with my sermon on the sin of lying."**

**The poor country pastor was livid when he confronted his wife with the receipt for a \$250 dress she had bought. "How could you do this!" he exclaimed. "I don't know," she wailed. "I was standing in the store looking at the dress. Then I found myself trying it on. It was like the devil was whispering to me, "Gee, you look great in that dress. You should buy it." "Well, the pastor persisted, "you know how to deal with him! Just tell him, "Get behind me, Satan!" "I did, replied his wife, "but then he said, 'It looks great from back here, too.'"**

**Hope to see you at the meeting. We will be wrapping the gifts for Wentworth Rehab.**

I love you. I really do! **Josie**

