

CENTRAL MINNESOTA CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY



BLUE SHEET

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1 John: 1-3 -- "That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched -- this we proclaim concerning the Word of Life. The Life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the Eternal Life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the father and with His Son, Jesus Christ."

This Week's Name of God: Word of Life

Our text for this week, John testifies that Jesus Christ, the Word of Life and our hope for eternal life, is real. John knows that Jesus is real because he had the privilege of seeing, hearing, and touching Him in the flesh. None of us, to our knowledge, has ever seen the Word of Life in the flesh. We must take it on faith that John and all of the other authors of scripture were telling the truth. It helps that this John is the beloved John, thought by many to be the earthly brother of our Lord Jesus Christ. He tells us in this passage that Jesus is Christ, that He is the Son of God, and that He is both God and man. He is the Word of Life.

Chances are some of you adults have already come into contact with people who deny all of the above. If you have ever had a conversation with a Jehovah's Witness, then you have met such people.

The chances are even greater that our children will come into contact with such people in their lives. They may well have a Hindu co-worker who thinks Jesus was a great man and even one of the many hundreds of minor gods that he believes in -- but not the one true God. They may well have a Muslim acquaintance someday who believes that Jesus was a great prophet -- but, again, not the one true God. How will they respond? It is crucial that our students learn that Jesus Christ is truly the Word of Life -- that He is the one and only hope for any and all of us for eternal life. I am sometimes asked why we have such a complex, in-depth Bible curriculum. I've been told that we make the Bible too complicated. I've been told that we emphasize too much "head knowledge", while we should emphasize more "heart knowledge". I believe that we need to emphasize both. True heart knowledge isn't possible without a solid foundation of knowledge of Biblical truths. Lasting heart knowledge, especially in today's world, depends upon it. Our children need to know who Jesus Christ really was and is.

May we always acknowledge Jesus Christ as our Word of Life -- may He truly be the Word of Life for all of us.

Larry M. Van Otterloo
Elementary Principal, CMCS

5th Grader Aiyanna Klaphake Won The Spelling Bee!

5th grader Aiyanna Klaphake won the 2010 CMCS All-School Spelling Bee. Placing second was fellow 5th grader Alena Bothoff. Aiyanna won a Franklin digital spellchecker. She also received a pocket dictionary, as did the rest of the finalists. She will compete in the Region Spelling bee in Fergus Falls in mid-February. Congratulations Aiyanna!

Hot Lunch – Always Served With Milk

Tues, Feb 2	Chicken patty, potato wedges, fruit, Rice Krispie bar
Wed, Feb 3	Pancakes, sausage, hashbrowns, oranges, sunflower seeds
Thurs, Feb 4	Subs, curly fries, grapes, cake (EL-4 th grade menu) Soup/sandwich, juice, fruit, crackers (HS)
Fri, Feb 5	Ham patty, cheese slice, corn, fruit, fr. Graham cracker (EL) Burrito, corn, lettuce, fr. Graham cracker (HS)
Mon, Feb 8	Hotdish, applesauce, raw veggies/dip, dinner roll

Upcoming Pre-school and Kindergarteners Wanted

We are starting the process of looking for the names and addresses of upcoming pre-school age children as well as Kindergarteners. If you know of a child that will be 4 or 5, respectively, by September 1, 2010, please call or e-mail their name to us with a phone number or address (along with parents' names) so that we can send them information for the next school year.



Elementary Birthdays

February

02	Madeline Jarveis	5 th grade
02	Bailey Scott	5 th grade
03	Isaac Swierenga	6 th grade
08	Braden Ruschen	4 th grade

August ½ birthdays

01	Jeffrey Zeatlow	1 st grade
02	Tyler Wubben	1 st grade
08	Mr. Van Otterloo	

JH/High School Birthdays

February

04	Tiffany Zeatlow	7 th grade
04	Aaron Johnson	12 th grade

August ½ birthdays

04	Melanie Bulthuis	10 th grade
04	Jordan Swart	11 th grade
08	Ariel Hanson	7 th grade

Upcoming Events (listing only home games)

Thurs, Feb 4	GBB vs. KMS	Thurs, Feb 11	JHGGB vs. MACCRAY
Fri, Feb 5	BBB vs. KMS	Fri, Feb 12	GBB vs. TMB
Mon, Feb 8	JHGGB vs. CCS	Mon, Feb 15	NO School
M-F, Feb 8-12	Spirit Week		

TRIP UPDATES

Culver's cards now carry a 10% rebate! We would like to encourage you to thank the manager of the Culver's in Willmar for their support of our program.

Shell increased from 1.5% to 2.5%. The denominations remain the same at \$25, \$50 and \$100.

Best Buy is offering a 1% bonus contribution from Saturday, January 9, 2010, through Friday, January 29, 2010. That means Best Buy's \$25, \$100 and \$250 gift cards will have a 4% contribution instead of the normal 3% contribution, during that time period only.

Beginning Saturday, January 16, 2010, through Friday, April 2, 2010, all **Exxon/Mobil** gift cards and reloads will have a 2.5% non-profit bonus contribution. That means, during this time period, the \$50 gift card and card reload contribution will increase from 1.5% to 2.5%, and the \$250 gift card contribution will increase from 2% to 2.5%.

Dominos Pizza increased from 5% to 8%.

Check www.glscrip.com or www.shopwithscrip.com to find out about the many bonuses being offered right now!

Boys and Girls Saturday Morning Basketball Practice

We will be having elementary basketball practice Saturday mornings this winter for grades 4-6 at CMCS. This will begin on Jan.16th. Girls will be from 8:30- 10:00. Boys will be from 10:00-11:30.

This is open to all kids grades 4-6, as we will be concentrating on basic basketball fundamentals. This will be lead by CMCS parent Brad Greenwaldt, with assistance from Joe Ulferts (girls' practice) and any other parent willing to volunteer their time. Brad will not be available on Feb.6th, Mar 6th, March 13th due to 6th grade tournaments... **so we really need other parents to lead basketball practice these dates.** Please contact Brad if you are willing to help out 967-4949 or greenies@mvtvwireless.com.

Fusionz Dance Camp

Please be advised of the following revised dates for dance camp practices and games: Practice will be held on Saturday, February 13, from 1-4 p.m. We will be performing on Thursday, February 18, and Friday, February 19. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Amanda Gerdes at 320-978-6047 or 320-894-7027 or Raya Knake at 320-905-1492.



Saturday Parent Schedule

The Saturday parent's schedule is also on the school's website

2/6/10

Dohn and Becky Hoekstra
Scott and Sara Hankel
David and Andrea Daugherty

2/13/10

Ron and Rae Jean Bulhuis
Gary and Jane Wubben
Craig and Kelli Blom

2/20/10

Eric and Sarah Van Dyken
Neil and Becky Graves
Jay and Kris TeBrake

2/27/10

Kevin and Roxie Covert
Clyde and Tammy Slagter
Craig and Ann Holter

Going to Disney World!

You may have heard on the radio or TV about the "Give a day. Get a Disney day." promotion. Disney is encouraging everyone to get out and volunteer. New 2 You is registered to be a part of this promotion. Call Becky at 320 231-1850 to schedule your day of volunteering soon! Note to CMCS parents: This does not include your mandatory day of working for the school. You will have to schedule another day with Becky. For more details, call Becky or go to <http://disneyarks.disney.go.com> To locate the New 2 You Thrift Store: type in Willmar, MN instead of the Zip code. Then click search. Scroll to very bottom of screen and you will see a light blue rectangle where you will see CLICK HERE in green letters. Click on that for more opportunities and NEW 2 YOU should be the first to pop up as an option.

Concession Stand Schedule

GBB

1/29/10 5:30

Dave and Jolene Ruschen
Niki Bothof
Sarah Hankel

2/4/10 5:30

Kirk and Christina Vander Pol
Amy Bonnema

Kay Hillers

2/12/10 5:30

Linda Foss
Doug Groen
Jodi Ammermann
Wendy Dehmlow



BBB

2/5/10 5:30

Joel and Jina Ruschen
Jon and Lori Braem

2/16/10 5:30

Wade and Rachel Damhof
Tom and Kelly Beekman

2/19/10 5:30

Steve and Jill Blom
Mike Witt
Justin Nett

Requested Announcements

Missing Castle Racing snowmobile Jacket from Thursday night's (1-21-10) home game vs. Canby. It is Red/Black/white size adult xs/s. Please return it to school if it is found.

Alto Saxophone – Bunde II by Selmar in its case. Appraised by Whitney Music. In good condition but needs some new pads. Would make a good starter instrument. Asking \$250. Call 320 220-4068.

Spirit Week at CMCS

February 8-12

Elementary

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Accessory Day</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Pj's/Sports Day</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Inside out/backwards Day</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>School Colors Day</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Valentine's Day</i> <i>(pink/white/red/hearts)</i>

Junior High

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Minnesota Sports Day</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Nerd Day</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>90 Degree Day</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Duct Tape/Garbage Bag Day</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Bluejay Day</i>

High School

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Would you still be my friend if I looked</i> <i>liked this? Day</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Hero/Villain Day</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Look – Alike Day</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Future Job Day</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Formal Day</i>