



CCC Newsletter



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- ◇ Go to our web site (above) click on the ear-phone icon and select your recording.
- ◇ Download a Podcast to your Smartphone. Easy instructions on the web site (above).
- ◇ Purchase a CD at Church for a nominal fee. See Sister Patrice.

WE BELIEVE in

- ... The Great Commission.
- ... only One true and living God
- ... water Baptism by immersion in the name of Jesus Christ.
- ... Baptism of the Holy Spirit with initial evidence of speaking in other tongues.
- ... the manifestation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

**Weekly Prayer Session
Every Saturday Night
6:30-7:15 pm**

Pastor:
Wayne Wyatt
Minister:
Everton Scarlett
Music Director:
Nicola Wyatt

Youth Sunday at CCC

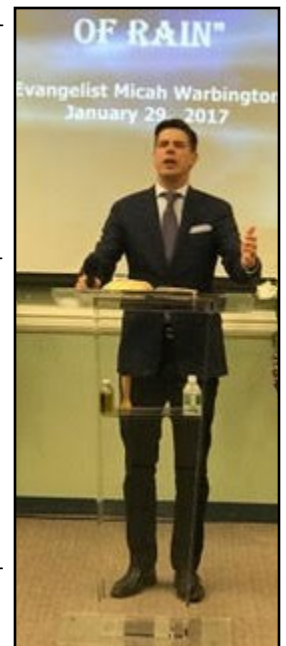
...and a little child will lead them. (Isa. 11:6)

God changes not. Jesus' expectations for us and His design on obedience, praise and reverence are well documented in scripture. Our Savior's concepts have not changed for thousands of years, but methods and methodology for reaching people must modify as society and civilizations move in new directions with ever increasing distraction. Lost people and those uninformed must be given opportunity to know and grow in Christ from where they are in order that each can see what God has in store. Bible study, scripture discussion, approaches to reinforcing God's word, efforts to worship and forms of praise still must be aligned with scripture to be truth and pleasing to our Lord. The way in which it is accomplished can vary.

With 'training up a child' (Prov. 22:6) in mind, our Sunday school program is thinking outside the box by moving into the Sanctuary using an experiential approach to developing the next generation. Public speaking opportunities, drama instruction and increased occasions to demonstrate knowledge have complemented typical church staples like mime, debates of relevant life skills and biblical application, greeting and ushering for students at CCC. This innovative approach has been employed with our most impressionable members to guide all to invest in a future that is Christ centered. Traditional approaches to instruction are still utilized and have a rightful place in the learning process. Memory verse contests, discussion of scripture and parables in the classroom as well as periodic homework assignments continue to round out the program but we have found that our teens especially have responded well to hands on techniques for internalizing concepts of Jesus Christ.

Prior to January 29, 2017, our youngest citizens held important but subordinate roles serving with-in our congregation. Our first two Youth Sundays opened a new direction for instruction at CCC. Praise and worship delivered by teenagers, a panel debate about the relevance of 'the Church' today, ushers and greeters no older than seventeen and a 'young' yet seasoned evangelical Pastor flown in especially for this ground breaking day. Taking a bold step forward on February 26th, our youngest citizens increased their investment in Christ by again managing all aspects of worship service minus the sermon. The need to prompt and direct decreased on their second opportunity with members of the youth Sunday school class creating the order of service and even fielding last minute changes in song selection like seasoned praise singers. Their show of commitment and responsibility has played well to a grateful and joyous congregation and our willingness to provide freedom to our most impressionable brethren has created an ownership in learning that might not otherwise been achieved.

We see the beginning of something extra-ordinary at CCC. This first experiential approach has enriched His flock already. As a church called to lead lost souls to Christ and toward the on-going discipleship of new believers, Christ Centered Church is focused on revival in our community. We are intent on obeying the Word of God to direct us in our role of Christian Leadership, knowing that worship and praise needs to be reverent yet not necessarily routine, boring or unexciting. Your visit to CCC on the last Sunday of each month is certain to make this growth clear.



On Fire for the Lord

Each year United Pentecostal Church International (UPCI) hosts an effort for raising capital to fund new churches recently planted throughout North America. 'Christmas for Christ' is our opportunity to give our very best gift toward start-up funds and support programs in churches less than five years old. Purposefully conducted in the month we celebrate our Savior's birth, this fund raiser is a core ministry of North American Missions (NAM), the arm of UPCI which 'plows' the ground for new 'plantings'. NAM is the coordinating body bringing churches into previously uncharted territory throughout our continent.

New 'plantings' may apply annually, as needed, for financial assistance. Some churches look to this fund when growth or permanent locations are decided. Some need capital just to keep the doors open and continue to minister in the community. A committee at UPCI headquarters reviews and selects applicants using a vetted set of criteria.

Each Christmas season NAM uses a series of videos prompts to draw attention to this special program. These short story video clips, shown on consecutive Sundays in UPCI churches across America during the month of November and December, feature the church biography and some of the souls who have been impacted by coming to Christ in a newly planted church. This year UPCI and NAM want to know more about our "NJ church in the Firehouse". We will be one of the featured stories. Filming recently took place by a team from UPCI headquarters in Missouri and we are all very interested in the outcome!



Water Baptism Certificates

Camale Bell



Memory Verse Place Winners

Primary:

Secondary:

1. Peyton W.
2. Jordan W.

1. Simeon F.
2. Josiah S.
3. Zyon H.



Holy Ghost Certificates

Peyton Wyatt

Thomas Curran