

Clifton Avenue Church of God

Pastoral Ponderings: Manna from Heaven in 2011

We must be having fun because time is truly flying. As we gear up for a New Year, lets take a moment to thank God for the many blessings and challenges we faced in 2010. His grace on our journey was evident throughout and I am confident He will continue to guide our footsteps. Our partnerships with the Ark Program and Promise Neighborhood have been true blessings to our ability to minister to the children and families of our community. The year end Christmas Banquet was a testament to how wonderful partnerships can be. The birthing of

the Community Neighborhood Association has created a new momentum to see good things happen; God is at work. Now as we gaze into an uncertain future, may we find comfort in the fact that God is with us. As I was praying about a theme for the New Year, it came to me that this year will be about "Manna from Heaven in 2011." God has provision for His children no matter what the challenges are. We must lean on and trust that God will meet our needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus. We caught a

glimpse of the harvest during the holiday season but we must prepare to build relationships, focus our energies and walk under the anointing of God's Word as we do His work. I will be providing daily scripture readings in the New Year so that we as a congregation can read the Bible through this year and be fed by our Heavenly Father as we seek "Manna from Heaven in 2011."

Pastor David

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Counseling Corner

God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can and the wisdom to know the difference-AMEN!

(Read Philippians 4:10-14)

Serenity is having an inner calm in the midst of the ups and downs of life. It involves learning to be content with the things in our life that cannot be changed.

The apostle Paul wrote: "I have learned how to get along happily whether I have much or little. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every

situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little" (Philippians 4:11-12). When Paul wrote this, he was in a Roman prison waiting to hear if he would be executed. And yet we hear no whining or complaining. Instead, he learned to accept the circumstances he could not change.

Some of us have never accepted the hurtful circumstances of our life. We may be living in denial to avoid the pain. We continue to struggle against the painful realities, to rebel against who we are or what has happened to us. Others of us have accepted the bad, even to the point of feeling that it's normal and comfortable. Therefore, we repeat the destructive cycle of behavior.

The process of recovery is a time of learning to find serenity while also accepting life as it is. Life isn't always fair. It isn't predictable or controllable. It can be wonderfully rich in some ways and terribly difficult in others. When we become willing to face the hurt in our life and consider how we have reacted to it, then our discomfort can lead us to break the destructive cycle. Then we can learn to be content with the things we cannot change.

Pastor Tina

Couples Get Together...

TBA

Bring a dessert or drinks

Please RSVP @ the church: 324-5398/cacog1@aol.com



Springfield House of Prayer

616 N. Limestone
Upper Level of Marriage
Resource Ctr.

Hours

Please contact Ben at
937-206-0124 or e-mail at
ben@vineyardnorthridge.org



Kids Hope USA

"May your unfailing love rest upon us, O LORD,
even as we put our hope in you."

(NIV) Psalm 33:22

Kids Hope USA is actively involved with Lincoln
Elementary.

Pastor led Christmas Carols with first and second
graders.

It's not too late to get involved!!!

Please call or see Laura Hufford if you would like to know about how you can be more
involved in this ministry.

E-mail: lhbuilder@aol.com

Cell Phone: 937-536-6168



Clifton Ave. Programs

Pantry Outreach

Every 2nd & 3rd Saturday

9:30am Breakfast

10:00-11:30 Pantry

If you want to volunteer, contact

Sis Debbie Hilliard

uniqueblessed@aol.com

(937) 324-1138

Crusaders

Wednesdays at Ark South

3:30-6pm

A Meal & Message

Thursdays 5:30-7:00pm

Free dinner, warm fellowship, a word of encouragement

See you in the winter!

Celebrate Recovery

CR WILL BEGIN JANUARY 5, 2011
(WEDNESDAY'S) from 6:30-8PM.

God Loves You and so do I

Pastor Tina

Sunday School: 9:30am

Sunday AM Worship: 10:30am

Children's Church during preaching
(approx. 11:30)

Sunday Evening Prayer:

5:00-6:00pm

We are on the web....

www.cliftonavechog.org

Your word is a
lamp to my feet
and a light for my
path. I have taken
an oath and
confirmed it, that I
will follow your
righteous laws.

Psalm 119:105-106

Weeks	Tithes/Offerings	Needed	Attendance
11/28/10	\$1,392.44	\$3,000.00	68
12/05/10	\$2,161.54	\$3,000.00	66
12/12/10	\$1,798.55	\$3,000.00	34
12/19/10	\$2,761.15	\$3,000.00	N/A
Monthly Total (Dec)	\$8,113.68	\$12,000.00	42 Avg.
Prev. Month (Nov)	\$5,999.86	\$12,000.00	62 Avg.
Prev. Month (Oct)	\$9,248.11	\$12,000.00	48.2 avg



January 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 No Prayer Service	3	4 Narcotics Anonymous 7-8:30pm Timothy A. Flournoy Bday	5 Crusaders at ARL South 3:30- 6pm Celebrate Recovery 6:30-8pm	6	7	8 Pantry: 930- Breakfast 10-11:30-Pantry
9	10 Penny Gilliam Bday	11 Narcotics Anonymous 7-8:30pm	12 Crusaders at ARL South 3:30- 6pm C.R. 6:30-8pm	13	14	15 Pantry: 930- Breakfast 10-11:30-Pantry
16 Close Christ's Bday Offering Betty Loue Bday	17	18 Narcotics Anonymous 7-8:30pm	19 Crusaders at ARL South 3:30- 6pm C.R. 6:30-8pm	20 Bill Mann Bday	21	22 Travis Trice JJ Bday
23	24	25 Narcotics Anonymous 7-8:30pm Julie Trice Bday	26 Crusaders at ARL South 3:30-6pm Tonya Harris Bday C.R. 6:30-8pm	27	28	29
30 Robert Kapp Bday	31					