

# Clifton Avenue Church of God

## *Pastoral Ponderings*

This is our chance to express our opinion about the state of our country and the plans our leaders have to shape our future. Do not forget to get out on Tuesday and vote. This is a month where many families with gather to give thanks with loved ones for the many blessings we have received, and the freedom to vote is one we can never take for granted.

I think of the countless men and

women of the Armed Forces who today are putting their lives on the line for our freedom. I also think of the countless

veterans who have served in the past and today populate our pews, we are all blessed because of the sacrifices they made on our behalf. I pray for the families of those men and women who laid down their lives so that we could live free. How deeply they must be missed

when families gather to celebrate!!!

Well suddenly

November is upon us and we have many opportunities to touch our neighbors with the love of Christ. May God grant each of us a special sensitivity to His leadings, as we seek to honor Him with our lives. I thank God for each of you and pray His guiding, protecting presence on our lives.

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 Matthew 6:25-34)

Living one day at a time is a discipline we all have to focus on when we are in recovery. It is easy to slip back into worrying about tomorrow, dwelling on the "what ifs" and the "If onlys." Each day brings a host of things we cannot change; there will always be circumstances beyond our control. We must also face the reality of who we are-human beings confined within the slice of life we call today. It is tempting to deny the present, but escaping reality is part of the insanity of our addictive way of life.

Jesus said, "Can all your worries add a single moment to your life?... Don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today's trouble is enough for today" (Matthew 6:27, 34). The prophet Jeremiah said, "The unfailing love of the LORD never ends! By his mercies we have been kept from complete destruction. Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each day" (Lamentations 3:22-23). Since God's grace comes in daily doses, that's the best way to face life.

We need to ask ourselves at every turn in life, am I accepting this present moment, or am I pretending-trying to escape into the past or the future? Each day there is something to find joy in, and there is strength promised for the troubles of that day. The psalmist wrote, "This is the day the LORD has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). We, too, can choose to find joy, strength, and sanity when we accept each day's realities.

**Pastor Tina**

## Couples Get Together....

Saturday, Nov. 13th at 6pm at The Gibson's

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**

Year 2 of Kids Hope USA is under way!

This year our students are 2nd graders, and our teachers are Mrs. Smith and Ms. Washburn. Please pray for these teachers and students.



Pastor David      Pastor Sam      Jalesseazay (JaJa)

Pastor Tina      Libby Husted      Tateyanna  
Doris Hufford

Kathy Mann      Ashley Clawson      Travis

Karen Birt      Debbie Hilliard      Erica

Laura Hufford      Dorothy & Bob      Damaiya  
Timmons

# Clifton Ave. Programs

## Pantry Outreach

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday  
 9:30am Breakfast  
 10:00-11:30 Pantry

If you want to volunteer, contact  
 Sis Debbie Hilliard

[uniqueblessed@aol.com](mailto: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

Is on Summer Break...See you in  
 the Fall :)

## Celebrate Recovery

RC will be visiting other CR groups  
 throughout the summer. If anyone is  
 interested in visiting these ministries,  
 please contact Pastor Tina (937-360-  
 4079) for dates, places and times. Cele-  
 brate Recovery at Clifton will resume  
 in the Fall with a new day and time.

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](http://www.cliftonavechog.org)

When I am afraid, I  
 will trust in you.  
 In God, whose word  
 I praise, in God I  
 trust; I will not be  
 afraid. What can  
 mortal man do to  
 me?

Psalm 56:3-4

Weeks	Tithes/Offerings	Needed	Attendance
10/03/10	\$1,722.40	\$3,000.00	59
10/10/10	\$2,473.77	\$3,000.00	N/A
10/17/10	\$1,100.81	\$3,000.00	63
10/24/10	\$1,653.57	\$3,000.00	52
10/31/10	\$2,297.56	\$3,000.00	67
Monthly Total (Sept)	\$9,248.11	\$12,000.00	48.2 avg.
Prev. Month (Sept)	\$8,138.50	\$12,000.00	42.6 avg
Prev. Month (Aug)	\$7,908.53	\$12,000.00	42.6 Avg.



# November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Cannie McKeever</i> Bday	2 <i>Narcotics Anonymous</i> 7-8:30pm	3 <i>Crusaders at</i> <i>ARL South 3:30-</i> <i>6pm</i>	4	5	6
7	8	9 <i>Narcotics Anonymous</i> 7-8:30pm <i>Joe &amp; Amy Gib-</i> <i>son Anniv</i>	10 <i>Crusaders at</i> <i>ARL South 3:30-</i> <i>6pm</i>	11 <i>Dustin Lapolla</i> Bday	12	13 <i>Pantry: 930-</i> <i>Breakfast</i> <i>10-11:30-Pantry</i> <i>Couples'</i> <i>Gathering 6pm @</i> <i>The Gibsons</i>
14	15	16 <i>Narcotics Anonymous</i> 7-8:30pm	17 <i>Crusaders at</i> <i>ARL South 3:30-</i> <i>6pm</i>	18	19	20 <i>Pantry: 930-</i> <i>Breakfast</i> <i>10-11:30-Pantry</i>
21	22	23 <i>Narcotics Anonymous</i> 7-8:30pm	24	25 <i>HAPPY</i> <i>THANKS-</i> <i>EVERY</i>	26 <i>Nathan</i> <i>Hufford Bday</i>	27
28	29 <i>Tom Dawson</i> Bday	30 <i>Narcotics Anonymous</i> 7-8:30pm				