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From Reaching Hearts Ministries

“Embracing Our World For Jesus”

December 19, 2009

Greetings: Welcome! “. . . *Mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people*” *Isaiah 56:7*. If you are seeking Christ, you will find Him here; if sorrowing, receive comfort; if troubled in spirit, gain the blessings of peace; if discouraged, rejoice in hope; if friendless, find companionship and Christian love.

Visitors: We are delighted that you chose to worship with us today. Please write your name and address in our “Visitors’ Book,” at the front entrance Greeters’ table so we can keep you informed of our latest happenings at RHI. If you would like to share your spiritual gifts, we cordially invite you to join one of our ministry teams! Children, remember to pick up your special bulletins in the foyer!

YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY WITH THE PRAYER MINISTRIES TEAM IN THE LOBBY TODAY from 11:00-11:10 a.m. We will be praising and thanking God for His continual leadership and guidance in the ministries of Reaching Hearts International. We will be praying for our congregation, our pastors, the ministries of Reaching Hearts International, and all those who will be participating in today’s Divine Worship Service.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS: If you or your family would like to provide flowers for the Divine Worship Service, please contact Carol Straight at (301) 830-0190. A sign-up book is available in the foyer.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON: Please join us immediately following the Divine Worship Service for our last Fellowship Luncheon for the year. The Team Members serving are Alice Miller, Juanita Gopala-Rao, Shirley Butler, Lilac Thomas and Kishon Hackett. If you would like to be actively involved with the Hospitality Ministry Team, please contact Alice Miller at (301) 434-1586.

▶▶ STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!—For those of you who might be in need or might know someone in need, this can be a great help. Every Tuesday from 5-7 p.m. Cornerstone Church located at 16010 Annapolis Road, Bowie, MD 20715 gives away FREE GROCERIES. No questions asked. No income verification or anything. You drive up and they give you a bag and you drive off.—Norma Nashed.

CD’s of today’s Divine Worship Program will be available in the lobby after the service.—The Toths.

♫ HANDEL’S MESSIAH: “A Soulful Celebration”—Today, **December 19, 2009 @ 5:00 p.m.** and **Sunday, December 20, 2009 @ 5:00 p.m.** at The University of the District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20008, Auditorium, Building 46. Please contact Judy Bouknight at (202) 882-1165 or e-mail: REJOYSING1@MSN.COM. For tickets: \$15 Advance, at the door: \$20.

▶▶▶ CHANGE OF ADDRESS: The **NEW** address for Lawrence (Buddy) Burrs is as follows: **10501 Louisville Lane, Largo, MD 20774. Phone: (301) 499-9710.**

REACHING HEARTS 4 KIDS is collecting unwrapped toys and gifts for children at HSC Pediatric Center (formerly Hospital for Sick Children) in Washington, D.C. These are

children who are in rehabilitative or transitional care and are not well enough to go home. Please give donations to Geetika Nadkarni or Norma Nashed. We will be delivering them just before Christmas. They have asked us that we do not give stuffed animals or weapons/violence related toys. Otherwise, donated items should be new, and can be for anywhere from infants to teenagers. Thank you so much!

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: If you wish to place an announcement in the bulletin, please contact Dr. John D. Butler, Sr. at (202) 726-2084 or Sylvia Dennis at (301) 441-9396. All announcements **must be received by the Tuesday evening preceding the Sabbath in which they should appear. APPROVED INSERTS should be copied and/or cut by the submitting individual and placed in the bulletin.**

PRAYER CIRCLE: Do you have a prayer request? Please contact Kathy Oddono at (703) 821-1539. For emergencies or information concerning those hospitalized or deaths, please call Sylvia Dennis at (301) 441-9396 or Pastor Micah Davis at (301) 717-9556 or Pastor Pratap Gopala Rao at (301) 490-6904 or Head Elder Terry Martin at (202) 332-8929.

THE TREASURER AND HIS TEAM WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE IT if you would clearly print your name and address on the white RHI/Tithe envelope so as to avoid any confusion or errors in the posting of your tithes and offerings.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS: Reaching Hearts International **does not use tithe money for its ministry.** Unless otherwise indicated tithes will be sent to the Allegheny East Conference. Tithes for other conferences will be forwarded as you designate on your envelope. Your other donations to RHI will be used for our ministry needs.

Offerings Received December 12, 2009

General Offering	\$	12,653.81
Reaching Hearts for Kids	\$	57,649.12
Radio Ministry	\$	1,261.12
Capital Stewardship	\$	1,051.00

Capital Stewardship/Building Program

Victory Goal	\$	4,500,000.00
Pledges To Date	\$	1,057,000.00
Funds Received as of December 12, 2009	\$	1,353,773.97

Faith + Good Stewardship + Giving = Abundance

God has ordained His people to manage His blessings and resources. We are to be rivers that carry those blessings and resources to others, not reservoirs that attempt to contain for ourselves all that God has bestowed upon us.

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over."—Luke 6:38 (NIV)

CLIC (Changing Lives in Christ) is a college-based ministry focused not only on the study of the Word, but also in truly carrying out its teachings as part of our Christian walk. We are in the process of finding different ways to use our unique Spiritual gifts to help serve as instruments for Christ. Want to share your gifts for God? We'd love to have you! Check out www.JustCLICHere.com for more information.

REACHING HEARTS FOR KIDS: Reaching Hearts for Kids (RH4Kids) is the humanitarian outreach of Reaching Hearts International. Reaching Hearts for Kids sponsors orphanages and schools in several countries. The main focus is on street children orphaned by HIV/AIDS. The

website and new e-mail addresses are as follows: www.reachinghearts4kids.org and info@reachinghearts4kids.org.

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER FORMS are available in the foyer. If you desire to become a member of Reaching Hearts International through transfer or by profession of faith please fill in the form and give it to one of the Deacons or to Sylvia Dennis. Questions? Contact Sylvia Dennis at (301) 441-9396.

JOIN THE E-GROUP: *If you haven't joined the e-group you are missing out on all the important announcements about RHI's ministries and other timely and important news.* Every week we send messages about the upcoming worship service. Make sure you stay informed on RHI happenings and are on the e-mail list. You can join by submitting your e-mail address in the sign-up box on www.reachinghearts.org.

Calendar of Events

Daily—Listen to the Reaching Your Heart Radio Broadcast

10:00 p.m. Monday through Friday on WAVA 105.1 FM
10:00 p.m. XM Satellite Radio on Family Talk Channel 170

Sabbath, December 19, 2009

Greeters: Esther Rea and Abigail Spinolo
Offering Counting Assignment: Team No. 3
Sabbath Set-Up Team #1: Kent Franz, Leader

Wednesday, December 23, 2009—Prayer Meeting

7:30 p.m. *Get your mid-week spiritual boost this Wednesday evening with singing, prayer and Bible study! Meet with us at Cedar Ridge Conference Center from 7:30-9:00 p.m. A blessing is in store for you! If you are unable to attend prayer meetings, you can download the studies at www.prayer-meeting.com.*

Sabbath, December 26, 2009

Greeters: Jennifer Ressaalem and Hannah Goldstein
Offering Counting Assignment: Team No. 4
Sabbath Set-Up Team #2: Toni Davis, Leader
9:45 a.m. **Combined Lesson Study: Elder Clifford Goldstein**
Sabbath School Coordinator: Irene Pandit
Sabbath School Song Leaders: Patricia and Geraldo Santos
Sabbath School Pianist: Jenifer Dayak
11:00 a.m. Worship Service Coordinator: Betty J. Hall



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

*"Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, good will toward men!"
—Luke 2:14, NKJV*