

December

Thank you all so much for your help in providing four families a Thanksgiving meal. We were able to supply these families with a turkey with stuffing and gravy, rolls, a bag of potatoes, some vegetables, and a pie for dessert.

Now, Christmas fast approaches and Christine, our DCF Social Worker through Covenant to Care, has given us the wish lists of 6 children who need our help to have a Merry Christmas. There are three boys (one 1 year old, one 5 year old, one 6 year old) and three girls (one 2 year old, one 4 year old, one 12 year old) and they wish for a variety of things from toys to games to art supplies to action figures to clothes. A sign-up list has been posted in the Parish Hall. Please bring your gifts to church on or before December 18th. Please inform a Missions committee member if you put your bag in the Parish Hall or at the back of the church. For more information or to sign up if you will not be at church, please contact Mary Boretz (boretzmar@Reg8.k12.ct.us 860-267-0365), Donna Long (longdjj1@sbcglobal.net 860-467-6278) or Clive Connor (clivekconnor@aol.com 860-267-7813). If you wish to contribute money to our Missions fund, please make out a check to Christ Church and be sure to put Missions in the memo line.

Please keep the following guidelines in mind when volunteering to support a child at Christmas. These guidelines are in place to ensure some equality between the various children.

- ❖ We suggest a spending budget of \$40-50 per child. You may co-sponsor a child if you wish to share the spending budget.
- ❖ Please bring the wrapped presents with **removable** tags bearing your child's sex and age. The tags **must** be removable.
- ❖ Please place all gifts for one child into one labeled bag (you may use large plastic bags) if possible.

Thank you so much for helping to make a child's life a bit merrier this Christmas.

Our next Missions meeting is December 15th at 6 pm at Donna's house. Please join us!