

# POWERHOUSE YOUTH

PowerHouse Youth Ministry has kicked off another year by celebrating, worshipping, and lifting up the name of Jesus on high. Can you say Praise the Lord! It has been such a blessing to see the student's in PowerHouse Youth want to serve the Lord and do what He has for them. Many of our students come on Wednesday nights and participate in our services, activities and many other great events. Recently we made a trip to Charlotte with our neighboring church, Drexel First Baptist, for the WinterJam 2010 Tour. The students and adults that attended got to experience a great afternoon filled with live worship music from many Christian artists and then heard an encouraging message from the guest speaker, Tony Nolan. Our evening was especially blessed by being given the opportunity of having a chance to enter backstage and take a tour with the tour manager of WinterJam.

# IYC

IYC-2010 is approaching quickly!! We have a total of 10 individuals going from PowerHouse. We have 3 counselors and 7 students. You still have an opportunity to attend if you would like to go. Please see Kevin Wyatt for the details.

\* Reminder of upcoming dates and deadlines: \*

1. Feb 7<sup>th</sup> **Youth FUND Raiser. We are having a SOUPER-Bowl meal.** Come and bring your family for a great meal before the big game.
2. Feb 10<sup>th</sup> **ALL youth, we are serving again at the Valentine's Dinner for our church body. More details to come.**
3. Feb 21<sup>st</sup> **~EMERGENCE~ youth rally is coming back to Drexel First Church of Go. Mark this on your calendars. Invite and Encourage your friends to come and take part in a night of being up in fellowship and worship as one. 5:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m.**

Our Wednesday night services began at 7:00 p.m. - with Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. - with Sunday night activities starting at 6:00 p.m. I look forward to seeing each of you and your friends at **PowerHouse Youth Ministry!**

Many Blessings, Kevin



Hello, everyone! I hope it is nice and warm where you are while you are reading this, and I hope the sun is shining on your head, as my sweet husband always says! The choir has finished with our Christmas music and we are now starting to prepare for our Easter Cantata, "See What a Morning!" This cantata has several dramatic readings in it. If you would like to be involved, PLEASE let me know! And be prepared...if there aren't enough volunteers, I will be recruiting! The children and youth will also be involved in this musical offering.

It never ceases to amaze me how the Lord works in our lives and in the church. Last week, I felt the song, "He Reigns" on my heart and when I mentioned this to the choir, one of the tenors (my brother, Doug) said that the Lord had placed that song on his heart, too, at the same time. Isn't it wonderful when you receive such affirmation of the message that God is sending to you? You know, no matter what is going on in your life; at home, at work, at church...in the grocery store (!), God is in control and on the job! HE REIGNS!!! I'm so glad that He is in control and taking such good care of us. Don't ever stop praising Him, whether it is in song or spoken words. He is worthy of our praise!

I just want to say a huge thanks, once again, to all the people involved in the music ministry of the church. Last Sunday, we had 27 people in the choir loft, 2 people doing pre-service, 3 musicians, 2 people in the sound booth, and I've probably left someone out! Thank you for your faithful and selfless dedication to the music ministry. Thank you all.

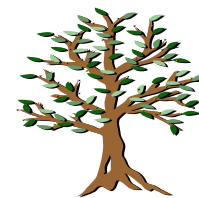
Please continue to be in prayer for all those in our community who are out of work, for the people in Haiti who are injured, homeless and hungry and for all the lost. And as always, please be in prayer for our church and for all the ministries and their leaders.

With a song in my heart, Beth

## The Giving Tree...

**Needs:** Electric Acoustic Guitar  
Electric Full Size Keyboard  
(For our Youth Group)

**Available:** 30" Color TV,  
Telephone amplifier (for hearing impaired)



If you can help with either of these needs please call Linda Johanson (432-8042) or Raymond Walker (433-0674).

## Annual Business Meeting Report...

The 2010 Annual Business Meeting of the Morganton First Church of God was held January 17th in the sanctuary of the church at 6:00 PM. We had 114 persons present and 23 absentee ballots accepted for a total of 137 persons participating. We were very happy with the good turnout. The meeting proceeded along well with various reports on ministries and activities from 2009 being offered. We discussed the 2010 budget, ministries, Board elections, and Pastoral Search Committee. We have many and varied projects and challenges in the year ahead. We request your continuing support and prayers and participation. This remains a church for all of us and we all pledge to work together for the advancement of the Kingdom.

We wish to thank you for ratifying Cheryl Walker as Treasurer & Pat Stroup as Recording Secretary, both by large majorities. We are pleased to report that almost 84% of the persons voting approved both the budget and ministry chairs for 2010. We also are happy to welcome Effie Hester and Falls Price to the Board for a term of three years beginning February 1st.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to Clyde Baird & Scott Powell for their faithful & dedicated service to the Board during their just completed terms. We look forward to the continuing involvement of these two fine gentlemen in the workings of the church as we go forward together.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Peter Gravely, 2009 Chair

### Report on the Search Committee...

Your Board of Trustees is pleased to share with you some information about the Search committee. We are pleased to report that Effie Hester has accepted an appointment to the Personnel Committee of the Board of Trustees and therefore becomes a member of the Search Committee. Linda Johanson who had been the Board representative to the Personnel Committee will continue to serve on the Board, focusing on our Outreach, Ministries, and Shepherding efforts. The other members of the Search Committee based on their membership on the Personnel Committee are Rocky Epley and Janie Walker. The other members of the Search Committee are Clyde Baird, Brandon Fender, Sheryl Gills, and John Manis. We are pleased that we have managed to construct a committee that we feel fairly represents the people of the MFCoG and we urge you to support their efforts in the months ahead.

This committee will meet with the Board on February 10th to discuss some organizational matters. After this meeting, the committee will begin its efforts, though we obviously cannot make any predictions as to schedules and results at this time. We will make every reasonable effort to keep you informed of the activities of this committee, but we also urge you to allow them the time and space to have prayerful & deliberate discussions.

Please be praying for your Search Committee and your Board as we work for the strengthening of the church and the building up of the Kingdom within our community. If you've any questions about the Board's activities or the Search Committee's charter or membership, please contact Peter Gravely or any Board member.



## Our Giving

### Giving for December

Regular Offerings:..... \$34,239.47  
Budgeted Needs: ..... \$30,535.73  
Giving for Month - Over..... \$3,704.74  
Building Fund Need:..... \$4,554.00  
Building Funds: ..... \$6,105.00  
Building Fund - Over: ..... \$1,551.00  
Designated Projects: ..... \$4,552.90  
Total Giving for Month .... \$44,897.37

### YTD Through December

Regular YTD Offerings:..... \$320,065.04  
YTD Budgeted Needs: ..... \$323,233.35  
YTD Giving - Under:..... **-\$3,162.21**  
YTD Building Fund Need: ..\$54,648.00  
YTD Building Funds: ..... \$55,839.54  
YTD Build. Fund - Over..... \$1,191.54  
YTD Designated Projects: ...\$55,736.09  
Total YTD Giving: ..... \$431,640.67

**Special Offering to Haiti sent so far...\$3,369.00**

## Proclaimer Updates...

**Due to the reductions in our  
Annual Budget  
Our Monthly Newsletters  
Will be placed in your mailboxes  
In the back hallway prior to the  
1st day of each month for pick-up.  
You may also read the Proclaimer on  
Our website at [www.mfcog.com](http://www.mfcog.com).  
A limited amount will be  
Placed in the Narthex.**

# GOD'S RECALL NOTICE

The Maker of all human beings (GOD) is recalling all units manufactured, regardless of make or year, due to a serious defect in the primary and central component of the heart.

This is due to a malfunction in the original prototype units (code named Adam and Eve), resulting in the reproduction of the same defect in all subsequent units. This defect has been technically termed "Sub-sequential Internal Non-Morality," or more commonly known as S.I.N., as it is primarily expressed.

Some of the symptoms include:

1. Loss of direction
2. Foul vocal emissions
3. Amnesia of origin
4. Lack of peace and joy
5. Selfish or violent behavior
6. Depression or confusion in the mental component
7. Fearfulness
8. Idolatry
9. Rebellion

The Manufacturer, who is neither liable nor at fault for this defect, is providing factory-authorized repair and service free of charge to correct this defect.

The repair technician, JESUS, has most generously offered to bear the entire burden of the staggering cost of these repairs. There is no additional fee required. The number to call for repair in all areas is: P-R-A-Y-E-R.

Once connected, please upload your burden of SIN through the REPENTANCE procedure. Next, download ATONEMENT from the repair technician, Jesus, into the heart component.

No matter how big or small the SIN defect is, Jesus will replace it with:

1. Love
2. Joy
3. Peace
4. Patience
5. Kindness
6. Goodness,
7. Faithfulness
8. Gentleness
9. Self control

Please see the operating manual, the B.I.B.L.E. (Believers' Instructions Before Leaving Earth) for further details on the use of these fixes.

**WARNING:** Continuing to operate the human being unit without correction voids any manufacturer warranties, exposing the unit to dangers and problems too numerous to list, and will result in the human unit being permanently impounded. For free emergency service, call on Jesus.

**DANGER:** The human being units not responding to this recall action will have to be scrapped in the furnace. The SIN defect will not be permitted to enter Heaven, so as to prevent contamination of that facility.

Thank you for your attention!

- GOD

P.S. Please assist where possible by notifying others of this important recall notice, and you may contact the Father any time by 'knee mail'.

P.S.S. Morganton First Church of God through its pastors & staff, leaders & members offer themselves as a station for referral to the repair technician, Jesus. So please call on us.