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Real People. Real Faith. Real Miracles.

# WORLD VICTORY CHURCH



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## Worship Services

- Sunday Morning 9:00
- Sunday Morning 11:00
- Wednesday Night 7:00

## Little Lambs Nursery (ages 0-2)

You may drop off your Little Lamb before service

Led by: Fancy Motherway

## King's Kids Children's Church

### Righteous Generation (ages 3-5)

### Chosen Generation (ages 6-8)

### Joshua Generation (ages 9-12)

Led by: Kerri Pruitt

## Youth R.E.I.G.N. (ages 13-18)

Meet on Wednesday Night following worship service.

## Friday Night Focus

A time of prayer and unity the first Friday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Led by: Marshall & Michelle Thomas

## Check us out on the WEB!

World Victory Church website has a new face! Check it out by logging on to: [www.worldvictorychurch.org](http://www.worldvictorychurch.org) Don't forget to sign-up on our Member's Only Page!



## Praise & Worship

*O Come All Ye Faithful  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold Him,  
Born the King of Angels;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.*

During the month of December, the Worship Warriors will be bringing several worshipful Christmas songs in to our worship services, in order to reflect on the faithfulness of our Lord and His Word! As well, we will have a night filled with Christmas music on Wednesday the 21st at 7:00pm.

Please note: The WVC Choir will postpone it's first performance until after the first of the new year. We are very excited about what God is doing in the music ministry at World Victory church and invite you get involved if you have musical gifts and talents! Please see Mary or John Flanagan for more information.

Merry Christmas!

## Ladies Night Out Christmas Gathering

Ladies Night Out will be including an *Ornament Swap* into this month's get together. We have set a \$5.00 cap on the ornaments. New, old, homemade...Any ornament is fine! This month's gathering will take place at Kanita McDonlad's house at 6:45pm on Tuesday, December 13th. For more information please see Wendy Peterson. There will also be a sign-up sheet on the back table.

## Christmas Photo Fundraiser

Don't miss out on our annual Photo Fundraiser, Sunday the 4th! We are currently scheduling appointments for immediately following the 9am & 11am services. You will not only be supporting our Children's ministry, but you will also be getting professional quality photos for a fraction of the cost. So sign on up and say, "Cheese!"

## WVC now on Live Stream

All of our services will be streaming live on the internet through our webpage. Just go to the "Watch Live" button on the home page. We will stream both services on Sunday mornings at 9 & 11 AM along with Wednesday nights services (7PM) as well. Each service will air in its entirety from the worship to the closing. Also, if you miss a service, simply go to "Sermon Archives", and you will be able to watch a previous service any time. God is faithful!

## December Events

**December 2nd** - 7pm - Friday Night Focus

**December 4th** - Christmas Photo Fundraiser

**December 10th** - 2pm Children's Church Christmas Program Rehearsal

**December 10th** - 5pm - Moody Christmas Parade

**December 11th** - 11am Children's Christmas Program

**December 11th** - 5pm Christmas Caroling

**December 13th** - 6:45pm - Ladies Night Out

**December 16th** - Children's Church outreach/Nursing Home

**December 17th** - 6pm - Spirited Singles Christmas Party (Please see back table for sign-up sheet)

**December 25th** - 11am Christmas Service

## Helps/Willing Servants Ministry

Blessings WVC members. Are you a carpenter, mechanic, plumber or painter? Do you possess a special skill such as writing or website design or consulting? WVC is seeking those with God given talents/abilities to submit their gifts to the Willing Servants Ministry. We are creating a Helps Directory which will assist members in finding Christian contractors for their home, cars, or personal needs. This is also an opportunity for members to shop WVC first. Please submit your business endeavors to Marshall Thomas at [chaplainmthomas@gmail.com](mailto:chaplainmthomas@gmail.com) or Michelle Thomas at [shelly5000@yahoo.com](mailto:shelly5000@yahoo.com). God is not unjust; He will not forget your work and the love you have shown Him as you have helped His people and continue to help them.



## Pastor's Corner

*"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it." I Thess 5:23-24*

## Celebrating God's Faithfulness

"Know your God, he is God, the faithful God, which keeps covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations." (Deut. 7:9). The word **faithful** means loyal and reliable. This means that God is trustworthy in everything; it means you can depend upon Him; it means He will never fail you in anything! Having this knowledge is so important to overcoming the devil and his devices. James 4:7 says, "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." To be able to resist the devil, a person must be fully submitted to God. Most people only think of the term submission in light of a military command, but it is much greater than that; **submission is a response**. When a person understands the fullness of God's character (His goodness, His faithfulness, His love, etc.), his response is easy. Who wouldn't want to submit himself to the Giver of life, the One who promises that He will never leave him or forsake him? The only reason people have had trouble submitting to God is because they have not developed a proper relationship with Him, and Satan works tirelessly trying to keep people (Christian and non-Christian) from knowing the true nature of God.

As we approach the close of 2011, it is vitally important that believers focus on God's faithfulness and the wonderful things He has done for them. The holidays should be a time of great joy, a time of remembrance, a time of celebration. Ephesians 5:19-20 says, "Speak to yourself in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." The reason we give thanks and make melody in our hearts is because of the remembrance of God's faithfulness in our lives. It has always amazed me how so many Christians lose sight of God's goodness and begin to murmur and complain about things just like worldly people do. Did you know that complaining will actually open the door for destruction from Satan? (I Cor. 10:10). This is why Ephesians 4:27 reminds us to "Give the devil no place!" Give no place to murmuring or complaining; give no place to strife or quarreling; give no place to anger and resentment, etc.; and celebrating God's faithfulness will help keep your heart properly focused on the Lord. This is something we should definitely do during the holidays; but more importantly, this is something we should do every day! Do you have something for which to be thankful? Are you grateful for God's goodness in your life? I encourage you to take time right now to tell Him how much He means to you; tell Him how grateful you are; praise Him right now for His faithfulness!

*Pastor Shawn*

## REJOICE

This is a new section of our newsletter to let the world REJOICE at the work God is doing in your life.

Please submit your short miracle and/or testimony to [andrea@worldvictorychurch.org](mailto:andrea@worldvictorychurch.org) and we will include it in the newsletter as space is available.

## Give God the Praise

As many of you know, World Victory Church took first place for our float in last year's Moody Christmas Parade, and this year we are determined to do it once AGAIN! We would like to take this time and give God the praise for all the WVC members who have volunteered their time, gifts, talents, and efforts towards making this a reality! These guys and gals, which includes several of our youth, have worked over-time in preparing for this year's Christmas Parade. Heading all this up is Miranda Griffie. The theme for this year's parade is "A Patriotic Christmas." The foundation for our float is found in Hebrews 13:5, in which we are reminded that, "God will never leave nor forsake you." With many of our military men and women overseas during the holiday season, it is a good thing to remember that He is always with you, no matter where you are or how far away you may feel from your family and friends. God is truly our *Emmanuel, God with us!* So, once again, thank you to ALL of the many volunteers and to God for bringing all of us together with the vision of seeing Him glorified in our community and all around the world.

\*This year's parade begins at 5:00pm at the ADESA building on HWY 411 in Moody and will make its way to Moody Cross Roads and finish at the Moody Miracle Park. We are still in need of CANDY to give out. Merry Christmas everyone and we look forward to seeing you at the parade!

## R.E.I.G.N. Report

During the month of November the WVC youth group, R.E.I.G.N. was blessed to attend the Eddie James concert. Approximately twenty youth went together to be encouraged and uplifted by this ministry. Along with Eddie James, his dance and drama team, Excaliber, ministered to the congregation. The youth were so excited to have been able to be a part of this worship event that also included rap, poetry, song and dance. They had an awesome time receiving from the Eddie James ministry team and fellowshiping with one another!

## Children's Church

WVC offers classes on Sunday and Wednesday's for ages 3-5yr, 6-9yr and 10-12yr olds to learn the uncompromised Word of God on their level. These kids come out of class ready to pray, lay hands on the sick, and dance for Jesus!



## The Great Break

Sunday from 10:15 to 10:50 for all children. Parents can drop their children off and attend classes during those times. Children are served light snacks and have a wonderful time while also minimizing playing in the parking lot unattended.

## Nursery Workers

Sunday 4th - Renee Kelly  
Wednesday 7th - Colia  
Sunday 11th - Kimberley - Tina  
Wednesday 14th - Fancy  
Sunday 18th - Michelle Jessica  
Wednesday 21st- Renee  
Sunday 25th - Robyn Colia  
Wednesday 28th - Kelly

## Children's Church

**Isaiah 7:14: "Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Emmanuel."**

December is a special time of year for Children's Church Ministries at WVC. Annually, as part of our outreach, we visit Senior Citizens to sing Christmas Carols, read stories, and share our Christmas arts and crafts made throughout the year for them. This year is no exception. Led by Kanita and El McDonald, WVC will be visiting St. Martins in the Pines Retirement and Senior Community on Friday, December 16th between 6:00 p.m. thru 8:00 p.m. Parents are asked to meet us on location around 5:45 p.m. We ask parents to dress children in Christmas colors if possible. If anyone is interested in joining us, please see Kanita or El McDonald.

Christmas Family Portraits - Children's Church hosts one big fundraiser annually and this one is it!!! If you are interested in capturing lasting memories for Christmas cards on Sunday, December 4th, please see the sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary. It's quick, easy, and very affordable. Led by our resident photographer, Tracy Patterson and his team (Wendy Peterson and Cee Cee Hailey), you will look forward to this event annually. Part of the proceeds will go towards outreach ministries (i.e. African Children Orphanage) and portions will be set aside for Youth Scholarships. For more information, see Cee Cee Hailey.

Christmas Play rehearsal and program - Parents, Saturday December 10th, please allow your children to attend our one and only Christmas play rehearsal at 2:00 p.m. This will be held prior to Moody Christmas Parade. We would like for children to be able to attend both. We will serve pizza immediately following the rehearsal so that they won't be so hungry during the parade.

The Children's Church Christmas Program will be held on Sunday, December 11th at 11:00 a.m. We ask that all children arrive early for one last rehearsal and for line up. Parents, if possible, please dress children in Christmas colors (i.e. Red, Black, White, Green, Gold, or Christmas White).

Children's Church Christmas parties will be held in each classroom on Wednesday, December 21st.

### Reflections:

**During December, the Fun Zone Ministries took the children to "Disney on Ice" on November 3rd.**

We had a total of 14 children and 4 youth along with some of their parents join us for a night of Disney Magic. The Acts included The Lion King, The Little Mermaid, Lilo and Stitch, Peter Pan, and everyone's favorites—Mickey, Minnie, and Goofie. Please see pics below.



The children had a ball!



This was a GREAT show!

Parents,

Thank you for all of the contributions, volunteering, participation and sacrifices you have made this year on behalf of Children's Church. We really appreciate you and could not be successful without each of you. May God continue to bless and prosper you in the new year and all the years to come.

## Now Available: Electronic Giving!

World Victory Church is pleased to announce a convenient new way to make your regular tithes & offerings. With our new electronic giving program, you can easily setup a recurring giving schedule or make one-time contributions. It's convenient for you and easy to set up. If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, and would like to become an electronic giver, please visit our website or call us at any time. These services are safe and confidential, and is provided through Vanco services, a leading company in electronic giving.

## WVC announces it's ALL NEW WEBSITE!

We are so pleased to announce our newly designed website! Log on today to [www.worldvictorychurch.org](http://www.worldvictorychurch.org) and check out WVC's all new website. You will be able to check the calendar of events, listen or watch encouraging & uplifting messages, fill-out member information, give electronically, and upload your own pictures to share with the WVC community.