



# Allendale Christian School

Academically Prepared Called to Service Spiritually Equipped

FEBRUARY 8, 2012

2011-2012 Spiritual Theme: *I Am.....*

Theme Verse *Exodus 3:14*

## NEWS AND NOTES

*February Theme: I AM the Resurrection and the Life*  
Jesus said "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me will have life everlasting." John 11:25

⇒ Please note: Allendale Pubic School busing will not be available on February 16.

**From Mrs. Julie VanOordt:**

### That's What Friends are For

Have you ever seen the movie "Jungle Book"? It tells the story of a boy, Mowgli, who lives in the jungle among the animals. He is trying to make his way back to the human village and along the way he meets many very interesting characters. There is King Louie, Baloo, and a group of vultures that pledge their friendship to the bitter end.

Do you have a friend who is always there for you? The one friend who cheers you up when you're feeling sad. They are that one friend who stands by you no matter what. We could all use a friend like that, couldn't we?

Mary and Martha had a friend like that. His name was Jesus. One day, their brother Lazarus became very sick. His sisters sent word to Jesus saying, "Lord, your dear friend Lazarus is very sick." But Jesus was in another town and didn't come right away. When Jesus finally arrived, Martha ran to meet Jesus and told him that Lazarus had been dead for four days. She told Jesus that if he had only been there, Lazarus would not have died. She knew that Jesus had the power to heal people from sickness.

Jesus answered her by saying, "Your brother will rise again. I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

When Jesus, Mary and Martha arrived at Lazarus' tomb, Jesus prayed to his Father and then told Lazarus to come out. And what happened? Lazarus walked out of that tomb! Jesus has power over not only healing sickness but death as well. Lazarus was alive!

Jesus loves all of us, just as he loved Lazarus and he wants to be your friend. It says in the Bible, "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." He'll pick you up when you are down. He'll be with you to the bitter end. After all, that's what friends are for.

### Update on Administrative Search Committee

The committee has narrowed the field down to 3 finalists. The finalists are all Godly people with a strong sense of call to leadership, a Christian school upbringing, and currently work in Christian schools. The committee has been blessed to hear the testimonies of these people, and see how God's hand has been guiding this process all along. In the next several weeks the candidates will be meeting with the staff and performing further interviews and presentations with the search committee. The committee will be conducting on the job observations, and further back ground checks on these candidates as well. Please continue to pray for patience and direction for all involved with this process, as well as giving thanks for all that He has done so far.

### FACTS Tuition Assistance

Completion of the FACTS application is a requirement for next year's enrollment if you are expecting a remaining balance at the end of the school year or you will be requesting tuition assistance. All applications should be submitted by March 31, 2012. Information can be found on [www.factsmgt.com/index.cfm](http://www.factsmgt.com/index.cfm).

### Parent Teacher Conferences

The schedule for **elementary conferences** will be sent home today. **Middle school conferences** will be held next Wednesday evening from 5-8pm. Thursday evening conferences will be held from 6-8:30pm. Individual conferences will not be scheduled. Instead, parents of middle school students will have the opportunity to meet any or all of their child's teachers on a drop-in basis. Mrs. VanRijs, Mrs. Schreuder, Mrs. Lamer, Mrs. Wallace, and Mrs. Suhly will be available on Wednesday in the gym.

### Allendale Community Foundation

ACS was the recipient of 6 mini-grants totaling almost \$840 through *The Greatest Needs Fund of the Allendale Community Foundation*. Thank you Allendale Community Foundation!

### Revive

ACS has received a check in the amount of \$4,725 from Revive. Revive is the resale store located at 36th and Baldwin in Hudsonville, sponsored by Unity for the benefit of all the students in the EOCS schools. These funds are to be used to help keep tuition affordable, or in other words, for tuition reduction benefitting all the families. Thank you and may God REVIVE all of us with his blessings!

For more information on Revive, visit the Revive link on our webpage [www.allendalechristian.com](http://www.allendalechristian.com).

**Attention Parents of Upcoming Young Fives and Kindergarten Students!**  
**Please mark your calendars for our Kindergarten/Young 5's Round-Up** which will be held on **March 13 at 6:30 pm**. This is an informational evening for parents of prospective ACS Young 5's and Kindergarten students.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

It's time to register for our  
2012-2013 Preschool

### February

- 10 & 11 Paper Drive
- 10 All School Chapel
- 13 Fifth Grade Puberty Class
- 13 7th/8th grade Band Clinic
- 13 Middle School Science Olympiad meets from 3-5pm in the library
- 14 EOCS Combined Band Concert—7:00pm at FairHaven Ministries
- 15 Parent Teacher Conference—Full day of School
- 16 Parent Teacher Conference—11:55 Dismissal
- 16 No Allendale Public School busing
- 17-20 Winter Break - No School
- 20 School Board Meeting
- 24 Middle School Ski Trip to Canonsburg



### Custodian

Allendale Christian will have a 30 hour per week custodian/maintenance position opening, beginning June 11, 2013. For a complete job description and application, please visit our webpage at [www.allendalechristian.com](http://www.allendalechristian.com) or contact Mrs. Kuperus at [skuperus@allendalechristian.com](mailto:skuperus@allendalechristian.com).

### Middle School Band Dates

On Monday, **February 13** the 7th and 8th grade band will be participating in a Band Clinic during the day with the other EOCS schools. **The EOCS Combined Band Concert will take place on February 14 at 7:00pm at FairHaven Ministries** (on the corner of Baldwin St. and 28th Ave. in Hudsonville). All 7th and 8th grade band **students are required to arrive at 6:30pm.**



- ⇒ **Spartan Family Fare and D&W Cash For Class** will be held this week and the week of February 19.
- ⇒ **Paper Drive** February 10 & 11.
- ⇒ **PLACE YOUR YEARBOOK AD!** Cost: Full page \$150.00, ½ Page \$100.00, ¼ page \$55.00 or a Business Card size is \$35.00. To place an ad or to ask a question, please call Bruce at 916-8910 or email [bamorningstar@gmail.com](mailto:bamorningstar@gmail.com).
- ⇒ **Allendale Christian School's Community Wide 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament** Saturday, March 24, 8 am to ? Deadline to enroll: March 2, 2012— Grades 3rd thru 8th boys & girls \$100/Team - Advance registration required. Registration forms were mailed to all previous players. Forms are also available in our school office or on our webpage at [allendalechristian.com](http://allendalechristian.com).
- ⇒ **REVIVE** is having its first ever jewelry sale! Just in time for Valentine's Day, all jewelry will be 25% or 50% off for two weeks, February 6 - 18. Toys, games, puzzles, books, and media will be 50% off February 6-11. Sporting goods and exercise equipment will be 50% off, along with all winter outerwear at 75% off, February 13-18.

**Instant TRIP** A revised order form is now available reflecting the additions and changes over the past few months. Please contact Christy Breuker (895-1104) if you are available to help fill our volunteer schedule.

#### February 14 & 15

Driver: Sue Borst  
Tues., 7-7:30pm: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, Shelley Bosch, Rebecca Bruggink  
Wed., 8:30-9am: Tara Bosch, Kelly Baker, Christy Breuker

#### February 21 & 22

Driver: Lisa Kuyers  
Tues., 7-7:30pm: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, Diane Meyers, Rebecca Bruggink  
Wed., 8:30-9am: \_\_\_\_\_, Margie Punter, Christy Breuker

### REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pig-in-the Blankets** Delicious Pig in the Blankets are for sale for \$10 a dozen. Rusk Church is raising funds to support a mission trip to Alaska in July 2012. Contact Penny Katt at [pennyk@altelco.net](mailto:pennyk@altelco.net) or 895-5529. Thank-you.

**Unity Christian High School will be sponsoring** a volleyball clinic for girls in 5th-8th grades. This will be held February 18 and 25. The camp will run from 8-9:30am for 5th & 6th grade girls and from 9:45-11:15am for the 7th & 8th grade girls. Each girl in these grades should receive a registration form from her teacher or you may pick one up in the Unity office. Deadline to enroll is Wednesday, February 15.

**Winter Blast 5K and Winter Flurry Kids' Run** February 18— presented by Calvin Christian Athletic Boosters and Cross Country Teams. Contact Laurens TenKate at 616-293-1862 or [tenkategmi@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tenkategmi@sbcglobal.net). Deadline to enroll is February 15!

**Starlight Ministries, Inc.** would like to invite you to their 2nd Annual HopeStars 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament on Saturday, March 3 at Hudsonville Christian Middle School. More information can be found at [hopestars.starlightmin.org](http://hopestars.starlightmin.org). Deadline to register is February 18. Questions? Call 616-848-8580.

**Allendale Angels** is now forming a softball team for girls 8-9 years old. Please call Lisa at 895-4481 or your may email her at [tigermom15@gmail.com](mailto:tigermom15@gmail.com).