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SERMONS 4 KIDS

Abilene Country Club, Noon, Wednesday, December 28, 2011

Our Club President Charles Kirkpatrick is the founder and President of Sermons 4 Kids, Inc., a non-profit ministry which produces and distributes Bible-based lessons to people who teach children in churches, Christian schools, or home schools.



The organization had its beginning in 1999 when Charles was teaching school and serving as Minister of Music at the First Baptist Church in Clyde.

Sermons 4 Kids is a web-based ministry which has truly lived up to the "World Wide" claims of the Internet as lessons are sent all over the world by email and



through the web site.

Come and hear a personal testimony that demonstrates how God will use us when we make ourselves available to Him.

We will also have an update on the ELMINATE Project of Kiwanis International and UNICEF, an effort to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus.

This deadly disease steals the lives of nearly 60,000 innocent babies and a significant number of women each year. The effects of the disease are excruciating

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SPIRITUAL AIMS MESSAGE

By Randy Williams

At Christmas time, for many years, Gaye Lynn and I would load up our 3 kids and presents and travel to Georgetown. There we would stay for several days enjoying being with family.

Consequently, we really had not developed too many traditions that involved our immediate family for those occasions.

The time came when our kids were busy with school and working and my in-laws less able to travel so we began to celebrate some of our own traditions here in Abilene.

One such tradition is that after we have opened our presents, each person wads up the wrapping paper into a ball shape and we place it in the middle of the room forming a little pile. As each person does this they talk about how God has helped, encouraged, or delivered them from issues during the passed year. We call this "Raising up an Ebenezer."

In 1 Samuel 7:12, Samuel prayed for God to deliver Israel from the hands of the Philistines and God gave

them victory. In response, Samuel raised up a large stone called an Ebenezer, signifying God's actions on behalf of the people.

It is important that we remember God's deliverance and activity on our lives. This means seeing the birth of His son as an act of deliverance and then realizing that He continues to act and move in our lives and on our behalf.

How undeserving we are of His great love and yet, this is the miracle of Christ's birth.

Roman 5:8 says, "But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners."

Now that's "the reason for the season".

You want to "Change the World, One Child and One Community at a time?"

Look to see God's hand on your life and remember to "Raise an Ebenezer" so that those around you will know, and you will be reminded, to whom you give the Glory.

KIWANIS CLUB OF ABILENE
‘Walk The Talk’
Weekly Meeting December 21, 2011
Abilene Country Club

Led Meeting.....	Charles Kirkpatrick
Prayer.....	Mark Hoover
Music	Bobbie Wolfe
Piano	Tim Adcock
Pledge	Jamie Breed
Guests	Kelly Jones
Photographs	David Jones
Cup Money	\$48.16
Brag Basket (Russell Leavenworth)	\$10.00

In our prayers

- Those who have lost loved ones recently
- George Knight’s wife, Joan
- Henry McGinty
- William Smith
- Kirby Leeson
- Jarrell Young
- Van Boozer
- Leonard Brock
- Bill and Ginger Zavatson
- Those who have lost loved ones recently

Guests

Guest.....	Guest of Member
Connie Harrod.....	Club
Robin Roberts	Club
Brenda Overton.....	Club
Laretta Blackburn.....	Curtis Blackburn
Carol Cost	Ken Poynor
Hal Hoogstra	Bill Hoogstra
Larry Folwell (Greater Abilene)	Bobbie Wolfe
James Estes	Greater Abilene
Sean Anderson	Mark Young
Kacey Young	Mark Young

The program

Randy Williams served as MC for this special program presented by fellow Kiwanians and guests. The program will filled with delightful music presented as follows:

Clinton Nix – “O Come O Come Emmanuel” – Clint sang this lovely song acapella and did beautifully
 Celebration Ladies, Robin Roberts, Connie Harrod, Brenda Overton, Jamie Breed and Faye Dodson, accompanied by Lora Lynn Christensen, sang “A Star Dances an Angel Sings” and “Great, Great Joy”.
 They were followed by trio, David Jones (on guitar), Jamie Breed and Faye Dodson singing “Silver



David Jones sang and played the guitar

Bells” and a sweet medley “Peace Peace/Silent Night”.

Lora Lynn Christensen and Tim Adcock tickled the ivories playing “Holly Jolly Christmas” and “Winter Wonderland”.

Randy Williams concluded the program singing “Mary Did You Know” and “Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas”.

We hope each of you enjoyed the program as much as we enjoyed sharing with you.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks, Santa’s Helpers

Thank you to all Kiwanians who helped with the Santa’s Helper project.

Shoes for Soles

President Charles Kirkpatrick presented a “Shoes for Soles” pin to Will Smith for bringing in new member Edith Smith.

Words from our Lt. Gov.

Lt. Governor Carl Lockett spoke briefly as his “official club visit” encouraging members to participate in the Eliminate Project and the Governor’s Project –Shoes and Socks for Soles. He would like for clubs to begin collecting shoes and socks now to be delivered to Governor Susan Hennum at Mid-Winter conference in February.

He also reminded club members that Governor Hennum will be in Abilene on January 27th, noting

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Christmas Celebration Album



- **Bill and Hal Hoogstra**
- **Lt. Governor Carl Lockett, Bobbie Wolfe, and Dub Pritchett**
- **Faye Dodson and Jamie Breed sang "backup" for David Jones**
- **Lora Lynn Christensen and Tim Adcock played a piano duet**
- **Ken Poyner sang "O Holy Night"**
- **Mark Young's guests were his daughter Kacey and Sean Anderson from the Boys and Girls Club staff**

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that she will not attend all divisions this year but instead is focusing on Zone Conferences. It is an honor that she will make a special visit to Division 35 and as Kiwanians it is important to make every effort to attend the event in January. Our Abilene Mayor and City Manager are expected to attend.

He suggested that each club make an effort to invite principals and school counselors as this will be a great opportunity for the community to obtain a better understanding of what Kiwanis is all about.

Own Your Future

OWN YOUR FUTURE Campaign: Donations in the amount of \$40.00 from every Tx-Ok Kiwanis member can help cover the cost of the new office facility. In addition, funds received by 1/1/12 will be matched. Checks need to be turned into Club Secretary, Faye Dodson.

Meeting cancellations-Holiday Schedule

Key City North will not have meetings Monday December 26th or Monday January 2nd

Calendar

- Jan. 10: Division Council Meeting
- Jan. 19: Board meeting, Noon, Bogie's Downtown
- Jan. 27: Governor's Visit (Save the Date-more details to come)
- Feb. 11: Mid-Winter Conference (make plans now to attend)

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— tiny newborns suffer repeated, painful convulsions and extreme sensitivity to light and touch.

To eliminate MNT from the Earth, more than 100 million mothers and their future babies must be immunized. This requires vaccines, syringes, safe storage, transportation, thousands of skilled staff and more. It will take US\$110 million — and the dedicated work of UNICEF and every member of the Kiwanis family.

Kiwanis and UNICEF joined forces to tackle iodine deficiency disorders, achieving one of the most significant public health successes of the 20th century. Now, they are eliminating MNT from the face of the Earth. And in doing so, the project will reach the poorest, most neglected mothers and babies with additional lifesaving health care. The end of this one disease means the beginning of better health for so many families.

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