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MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE HALES AND THE MATHENAS

JESUS BIRTHDAY OFFERING GOAL — \$2500

THE ANNUAL C/A JESUS BIRTHDAY OFFERING IS DEC. 23RD! On that day we hope to have the largest Jesus Birthday Offering ever collected for C/A. Our goal is to have \$2500 given during this season! The money has been set aside, as usual, for C/A projects. This year the money will go specifically for campus improvements, including repair of one of our water tanks, installation of new walks, especially the one below the cafeteria.

Our Jesus Birthday offering in 1983 totaled \$2163.05. It was used to build the new pavillion at C/A, agreed upon by all to be a grand addition to the C/A facility. This amount came from 12 churches and 10 individuals, up from \$1,211.38 the year before.

We have enclosed a Jesus Birthday Offering Card below for some of you to give individually. Some of the area congregations will not receive an offering so this is your opportunity to support C/A personally. We will list all gifts in the upcoming editions of the Chronicle to give an accounting of who participates.

SNOWBALL RETREAT IS JAN. 26 WITH TOMMY OAKS!

The annual C/A winter event - the Snowless SNOWBALL RETREAT IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER! Tommy Oaks will again be coming to share with us on the theme, "How's your Love Life?" Christian dating is a major concern for both the home and the church and we will be sharing in some great information on "Do's and Don't's for the Christian teen'ager."

Registration will begin at 9:00 on this special Saturday of 1985. The cost for all teens 7th grade and up is only \$5 to cover the cost of meals. The evening youth rally will cap off the evening beginning at 7:00.

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GOOD NEWS! BAD NEWS!

The good news is that we now have 205 Thousandaire Club members - 7 new ones this past month. BUT the bad news is that over 140 of these members as of the typing of this Chronicle (Nov. 26th) have not sent their \$10 pledge in. That means we have just a few days left to get that pledge in to save us that much more money on debt retirement - over \$1400. If you forgot, mail a check now while it is fresh on your mind.

Our new Thousandaire Club members are -M/M Pat Pickett, Lillian Whittaker, M/M Wayne McClure, Ernest and Joyce Harton, Betty Thomas, Paula Goodall, and First Christian Church Women's Fellowship at Hinton. Thanks!

MIDWAY PREACHER MOVES ON FIELD

Nov. 20 was a long awaited day for our friends at Midway Church of Christ. Brad Henderson moved on the fields white unto harvest with his wife, Sharon, and their three children, Angel, Crystal, and Wesley. Brad, welcome to the area and may you and Midway have a honeymoon that lasts for years!

C/A SLIDE PROGRAM REPORT

Oct. 28th we were able to visit Midway with the C/A slide program. They seem to enjoy the slide program more every year - the youth on the front row is a strong signal of their interest to see themselves in the movies - or their boyfriends/girlfriends they haven't seen since camp!

On Nov. 4 we made our annual visit to Duhring where they always send us away with the largest gift we receive all year - \$300 this time. Thanks a load, Duhring!

Nov. 25th we made our way to Cedar Grove to renew our love affair with that congregation, having taught Wednesday night classes there several times.

In coming weeks we are scheduled at Bozoo on Dec. 2; Bramwell on Dec. 9th, and Williams Chapel on Dec. 16th to end out the year. We do not normally schedule presentations around Christmas and New Years because of church activities.

ACME RECEIPTS NET \$439.57!

Those Acme receipts are paying great dividends for C/A \$439.57 in one check. These receipts were sent in the last three or four months - and we want to thank everyone that is continuing to help. We already have another large batch to turn in so - keep 'em coming!

GIFTS DURING NOVEMBER

Acme Receipts and soup labels still continue to highlight the gifts that are given to C/A each month Below is a list of contributors and contributions this past month.

M/M Tracy Christian - 36 soup labels Lucille Shawver - 24 soup labels Lucille Shrader - 4 pot holders Nancy Taylor - 183 soup labels Mrs. Russel Mays - 18 soup labels M/M Glen Dudding - 189 soup labels Mrs. Graham Van Dyke - 13 soup labels; Acme receipts Gary and Glenna Richmond - Acme Receipts Nellie Brown of Blfd. - 19 soup labels; Acme receipts John and Carol Lundgren - 47 soup labels Elsie Jones - Acme Receipts M/M Aubrey Johnson - 9 soup labels M/M Wayne McClure - 6 soup labels; Acme receipts Verlie Epperson and Norma Willard - Acme receipts M/M William Ball - 5 soup labels; B/C coupons Bessie Sluss - 19 soup labels: Acme receipts

LADIES RETREAT SEND \$200

Our cooks have been begging for a bread cutter - and their wish will now come true because the Bluefield Area Ladies Retreat has sent in a C.A.K.E. gift specifically for that need, and for whatever else we need with the money left over. Thanks, Ladies - from us and from our cooks!

CAMP BREAKS EVEN!

The following statistics are APPROXIMATE figures only but they basically tell us that WE BROKE EVEN IN THE 1984 CAMP SEASON! Drawing from the Chronicle financial statement, we spent \$12,829.28 approx. on food and salaries during the 1984 camp season, while taking in \$12,992.93 from registrations, manna money gifts, and special offerings from the Men's Clinic. If we did not have the Manna Program, we would have to raise tuition by another \$5 - and if we had to pay for the electricity it would still raise tuition another \$5. (The college pays the electric year round.) Where in the country can you feed 501 hungry children 16 meals a week for \$25? If you know, please pass that information along to us -we sure want to take advantage of it.

"CORNERSTONE" PURCHASES OUTDOOR LIGHT

Our many thanks to the "Cornerstone Sunday School Class" from Pine Grove for purchasing us an additional outdoor light. We have several "dark spots" on campus that need to be lighted, especial the parking lots and walk coming up to the cafeteric Thanks, Cornerstone!

CHRISTIAN ACRES FINANCIAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 1984

Balance	2,489.31
Incoming Receipts: Pettrey Youth Group, Thousandaire Club	20.00
Ada Berbert, Thousandaire Club	10.00
M Donald Whitt, Thousandaire Club s. Clinton Tabor, Thousandaire Club	20.00 10.00
/M Kenneth Carter, Thousandaire Club	40.00
Mrs. Grace Thompson, Thousandaire Club	20.00
AVM William Levitt, Thousandaire Club O. Ike Keaton, Thousandaire Club	10.00 10.00
Ladies Circle Lerona Ch. of Christ, Thousandaire Club	10.00
Mrs. Bertie Whitley, Thousandaire Club	10.00
Patty Brinkley, Thousandaire Club Susie Tabor, Thousandaire Club	10.00 10.00
Mrs. J.G. Meadows, Thousandaire Club	10.00
M/M L.E. Hopkins, Thousandaire Club M/M Donald Thomas, Thousandaire Club	10.00 10.00
M/M Darrell Powers, Thousandaire Club	10.00
M/M Joseph Dewees, Thousandaire Club	10.00
Eva Coulter, Thousandaire Club M/M Fred Bowman, Jr., Thousandaire Club	10.00 10.00
M/M Danny Meadows, Thousandaire Club	15.00
M/M James E. Meadows, Thousandaire Club	30.00
Mrs. T.E. George, Thousandaire Club WM Kenneth Hylton, Thousandaire Club	10.00 20.00
M/M James R. Wilhite, Thousandaire Club	10.00
M/M William Blackwell, Thousandaire Club	10.00 10.00
M/M Harold Ball, Thousandaire Club Ambassadors for Christ, Peterstown, Thousandaire Club	10.00
M/M Rodrick Pickett, Thousandaire Club	20.00
M/M Ernest Harton, Thousandaire Club Mrs. Graham Jones, Thousandaire Club	10.00 10.00
M/M Wayne McClure, Thousandaire Club	10.00
M/M Aubrey Johnson, Thousandaire Club	10.00
M/M Donald Dunbar, Thousandaire Club M/M Randall A. Balley, Jr., Thousandaire Club	10.00 10.00
Arny Harless, Thousandaire Club	5.00
M/M Russell Mathena, Thousandaire Club	76.00
Bernice Alvis, Thousandaire Club M/M Gary Richmond, Thousandaire Club	10.00 10.00
M/M Bobby Goodall, Thousandaire Club	10.00
M/M Acie Albert, Thousandaire Club Vida M. White, Thousandaire Club	10.00 20.00
M/M Robert McManaway, Thousandaire Club	10.00
M/M Jesse Curry, Jr., Thousandaire Club	10.00
Women's Fellowship First Christian Church Hinton, Thousandaire Clu M/M Eugene Ranson, Thousandaire Club	ь 10.00 30.00
M/M Walter C. Scott, Jr., Thousandaire Club 'M Carl T. Walkup, Thousandaire Club	10.00
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M Charles Hale, Thousandaire Clubzoo C.M.S., Thousandaire Club	20.00 10.00
Trevor Butterworth, Thousandaire Club	15.00
Bernice Via, Thousandaire Club Rencewarte Christian Ch. Circle No. 2, Gideon 200	15.00
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M/M L.W. Buckland, Jr., Thousandaire Club Mrs. Lillian P. Shawver, Thousandaire Club	10.00
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Pool Income	40.00
Ruby E. Carter, Key Club	10.00
Gara E. Anderson, Key Club M/M Stanley Berry, Key Club	20.00 5.00
Walter E. Hudson, Key Club	10.00
M/M Floyd Ferguson, Key Club M/M Steve Wills, Key Club	10.00
Edith White, Key Club	10.00 5.00
M/M George Zutaut, Key Club	50.00
M/M Harry Yates, Key Club M/M Clarence Bowman, Key Club	20.00 25.00
M/M Harley Dundord, Key Club	10.00
Dr. & Mrs. Wayne Brackenrich, Key Club	25.00
Mrs. W.L. Keesee, Key Club Mrs. Bernice Via, Key Club	10.00 5.00
Trevor Butterworth, Key Club	5.00
M/M Harry Yates, Key Club	20.00
M/M Russell Mathena M/M Russell Mathena	45.00 83.00
M/M Russell Mathena	40.00
M/M William Ball Cedar Grove Church of Christ	55.00 30.00
M/M Lawrence Phipps	20.00
Pine Grove Church of Christ	400.00
Mudfork Church of Christ Pikeview Christian Church	60.00 20.00
Fayetteville Church of Christ	10.00
Lindside Christian Church	50.00
Esther P. Elmore Community Christian Church, Hinton	10.00 25.00
Lerona Church of Christ	40.00
Hillcrest Church of Christ Church of Christ, Athens	30.00
Bozoo Christian Church	120.00 50.00
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Mr. George F. Burnett	25.00
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Duhring Church of Christ	50.00
Duhring Church of Christ, CAP	300.00
Oak Grove Christian Church	153.00
Springville Christian Church	25.00
Willowton Christian Church	20.00
	100.00
Grandview Christian Church	400.00
Falls Mills Christian Church	
Midway Church of Christ	400.00
First Christian Church, Hinton	25.00
Hollybrook Church of Christ	20.00
Acme Market (Cash Register Tickets)	439.57
Monthly Income	4,415.57
Net Income	6,904.88
	2,7020
Less Expenses:	
4426 Internal Revenue, Income Taxes	38.49
4427 W.Vg. Income Tax	43.55
4428 Ruth Sage, 1983 Audit	35.00
	91.42
	76.35
4430 Russell Mathena, Mileage	
4431 American Track Society	60.00
4432 Roy J. Hale, Mileage	28.95
4433 Commercial Bank, Add. Oct. Tax	33.98
4434 Commercial Bank, Nov. Taxes	534.38
4435 Commercial Bank, Thous. and Gideons	886.00
4436 Commercial Bank, Note Pay.	522.39
4437 The Print Shop, Oct. Printing	135.00
4438 U.S. Postmaster	150.00
4439 Ray J. Hale, Telephone	23.30
4440 Roy J. Hale, Salary	295.08
4441 Roy J. Hale, Salary	295.08
4442 Roy J. Hale, Salary	295.08
4443 Roy J. Hale, Salary	295.08
4445 Russell Mathena, Salary	187.06
4446 Russell Mathena, Salary	187.06
4447 Russell Mathena, Salary	187.06
4448 Russell Mathena, Salary	187.06
4449 Russell Mathena, Salary	187.06
4450 General Telephone	76.42
4451 AEP Co.	19.05
	103.32
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4453 Bluefield Supply, Pump Repairs	404.00
4454 Bailey Lumber Co.	14.33
4455 The Print Shop, Nov. Printing	135.00
4444 Roy J. Hale, Salary	295.08
Total Expenses	5,821.63
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Balance after expenses	1,083.25
Total income	1,014,848.91
Total Expenses	1,013,765.66
Balance on Pool	7,082.49

CAMP TO CLOSE ON FRIDAY NIGHTS!

Upon recommendation of the deans and Executive Board, the General Board approved the shutdown of camp on Friday night rather than Saturday morning. This decision affects all weeks of camp.

On a trial basis last year, we closed down the junior weeks of camp, and asked the deans of the upper weeks to examine their Friday night program and see if it wouldn't be better to end camp on a high spiritual note. They all agreed and made their recommendation to the C/A boards.

Parents also enjoyed picking their kids up on Friday. Not only did they get to see the closing program, but it also helped to leave Saturday open.

Another benefit is that the cleaning crews of our buildings are able to come earlier without the hassle of waiting on some children to vacate the dorms.

POOL DEBT STANDS AT JUST OVER \$7,000

We had two new Gideon volunteers this month. M/M Ralph Hale joined the Gideon's in Nov. and we had an anonymous gift of \$120, plus \$11.50 gift at C/A presentations to help erase the C/A debt on the pol to \$7,082.49. We may not be debt free in '84 but we sure are a lot closer than in Jan. of this year when we owed over \$16,000. You have more than paid off half the debt in '84.

I believe if we can pay the debt off by spring, the C/A boards will approve a heater for the pool. We have a solar heater priced to us and installed for about \$4600. Won't you send a one - time gift of any amount and help us reduce the debt so we can move on to new goals for C/A.

If you want to make a pledge to give \$120 in the next several months clip the Gideon's card below and join today without delay!

GIDEON'S With God's help I will help pay off the indebtedness of the Christian Acres pool by giving - (check one of the following) ______ a one time gift of \$120 _____ two gifts of \$60 for the next 12 months _____ 4 gifts of \$30 for the next 4 months _____ \$10 monthly for the next 12 months _____ Other - please specify NAME _____ Ph.____ Address _____ Zip_____

INCOME TOPS \$1 MILLIONS! INCOME UP 30%

The first gifts to begin C/A were given in Dec. 1968. In the last 14 years over one million dollars has now been given. We topped that mark a couple of months ago, if you were watching and reading the financireports. 14 years ago I'm sure there were some skeptics who said it couldn't be done - but it has thanks to kind supporters like you the readers of our monthly Chronicles!

We have some more good news too - Jan. - Oct. gifts to C/A in 1984 are up 30% over this same time period of 1983 - in spite of the recession and unemployment in this area. This increase in giving is indicative of the sacrifice and support of area Christians and their churches to see that C/A continues to march on. Actual gifts this year to date - \$57,259.97 is more than was given in 12 months last year. You folks are setting the pace for the future! It is great to know that you have such great backers.

FITTING GIFTS FOR C/A AT CHRISTMAS!

We would like to have several sets of large bulb outdoor Christmas lights to put on the cross at C/A. We would be able to light the cross up at camptime with red and blues at campfire time to glow as a backdrop for devotions. We would need at least 10 sets - would you consider purchasing us a set or tw for this worthy project?

We are basically set in our other departments here at C/A except for the kitchen. We need teaspoons to fill out our needs for silverware!

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