

C/HP Messenger

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This Month's Events

Monday, February 1
10:00 a.m., FCC, Pratt
GB/S Clergy Cluster

Thursday, February 4
10:00 a.m., United Church of
Kensington
CN Clergy Cluster

Sunday, February 7
3:30 p.m., FCC, Scott City
High Plains District Cabinet

Tuesday, February 9
12:00 noon, Village Inn, Colby
HPN Clergy Cluster

Tuesday, February 9
7:00 p.m. CT, FCC, Colby
HPN Disciples Men Gathering

Wednesday, February 17
10:00 a.m., FCC, Garden City
HPS Clergy Cluster

Thursday, February 18
9:30 a.m., Belmont Blvd CC, Salina
Mid-KS Clergy Cluster

Saturday, February 20
10:00 a.m., FCC, Lyons
Central District Cabinet

Currents in the Stream

*"How can I say thanks,
For the things you have done for me,
Things so undeserved,
Yet you gave to prove your love for me,
The voices of a million angels
Could not express my gratitude.
All that I am and ever hope to be.
I owe it all to thee."*

As I thought about how to express my and my family's gratitude to all of you for the love and support we have received in the wake of my father's death last week, the words of the above song by Andrea Crouch kept coming to mind. While they were written to express the author's gratitude for all that God has done for him, and it was my desire to express my gratitude to all of you for the cards, e-mail messages and memorial gifts given in memory of my father, after thinking about this difference it occurred to me that often times God cares for us through the faith community.

So this begs the question: do I thank you? Or do I thank God?

Perhaps the real answer is to thank both, all of you and God. I thank God for God's love and support in this time of travel through the valley of the shadow of death. And I thank God to leading me and my family here to Kansas, where we are surrounded by a family of faith that has truly become the hands and arms and voice of God. You have been the presence of God to us and we are blessed by your concern, prayers, and words and actions of comfort. You have truly helped.

Ken, Donna, Jessica, and Peter

Ken's February Schedule

- 1 GB/S Clergy Cluster, Pratt
- 2 Day Off
- 3 Office
- 4 CN Clergy Cluster, Kensington
- 5 Office
- 6 Day Off
- 7 Church Visit—Lakin
HP District Cabinet, Scott City
- 8 Office
- 9 HPN Clergy Cluster, Colby
HPN Disciples Men, Colby
- 10-13 Spiritual Retreat, Great Bend
- 14 Church Visit—Great Bend
- 15-16 Office
- 17 HPS Clergy Cluster, Garden City
- 18 MK Clergy Cluster, McPherson
- 19 Day Off
- 20 Central District Cabinet, Lyons
- 21 Church Visit—Coldwater
Workshop, Scott City
- 22 Office
- 23 Day Off
- 24 Office
- 25 Spiritual Priority Mtg., McPherson
- 26 Staff Meeting, Camp Tawakoni
Executive Committee, Camp Tawakoni
- 27 Regional Board, Camp Tawakoni
- 28 Church Visit—BBCC, Salina

Schedule is subject to change.

Did you know ...

... that Kathy Foster will be out of the office for several weeks recovering from surgery beginning Monday, February 22?

... that December's DMF giving by Kansas churches totaled \$64,943.00?

... that congregational giving to DMF by Kansas congregations in December was nearly triple of that which was given in November?

... that your generosity in December enabled us to repay \$32,400 of \$87,000 we borrowed from our permanent funds?

2010 Spiritual Retreat

"Growing with God"

February 10-13
Heartland Center for Spirituality
Great Bend, KS

Facilitator: Rev. Ken Marston

At this retreat participants will discover their Spiritual Type, explore ancient prayer practices that they would feel most comfortable with and discover what prayer practices will help them grow the most in their relationship with God.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- Feb. 5-6 Clergywomen Retreat, Disciples
Center at Tawakoni
- Feb. 8-11 TCU Minister's Week, Ft. Worth, TX
- Feb. 10-13 Spirituality Retreat, Heartland Center
For Spirituality, Great Bend
- Feb. 17 Ash Wednesday
- Feb. 19-21 Chi Rho Spring Retreat, Disciples
Center at Tawakoni
- Feb. 26 Executive Committee Mtg., Disciples
Center at Tawakoni
- Feb. 27 Regional Board Mtg., Disciples Center
at Tawakoni

CHURCHES PRAYING FOR CHURCHES

- Feb. 7 - First Christian Church, Atwood
Chris Edwards, Pastor
- Feb. 14 - Belmont Blvd. CC, Salina
Greg Guy, Pastor
- Feb. 21 - First Christian Church, Salina
Greg & Kim Rea, Co-Pastors
- Feb. 28 - First Christian Church, Colby
Lyle Knebel, Pastor.

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