



Agape' MCC Weekly News

Dec 30 2009

Upcoming Events

Fri Jan 01:
Happy New Year!
(Church Office Closed)

Sun Jan 03:
10:30am Worship Svc
Take Down Christmas Greens (after service)

Mon Jan 04:
7pm Chaplains Mtg

Thu Jan 07:
7pm Spirit Road

Fri Jan 08:
6pm Samaritan House Supper Club

Mon Jan 11:
7pm Board of Directors

Fri Jan 22:
6pm Samaritan House Supper Club

Sun Jan 24:
Meet, Greet & Eat (after worship service)

December Stats:

12/06:
Attendance: 96
Offering: \$2,013

12/13:
Attendance: 92
Offering: \$2,615

12/20:
Attendance: 86
Offering: \$1,744

12/27:
Attendance: 90
Offering: \$2,291

A Special Christmas Greeting

We received a special Christmas email from our founding moderator, Rev. Elder Troy Perry last week:

From: RevTroyPerry@aol.com
To: AgapeMCC@aol.com
Sent: Tue, Dec 22, 2009 2:01 pm
Subject: Card

From the White House, to Our House, to Your House,

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Phillip Ray De Blicke and Troy D Perry



Taking Down the Christmas Greenery

Please join us in removing the Christmas greenery and other decorations from the church sanctuary after service **this Sunday, Jan 3.**

Just look for Board Member **Billy Stewart** for more information after service this week. Thank you in advance for volunteering to help!



Weekly Meditation - Dec 30 2009

by Rev. Teri Lubbers

An Ancient Circle

**Need a book? A Bible?
A music CD?**

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& raise funds for
Agape'!**

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yourself as a member or

One of the great powers of love is balance; it helps us move toward transfiguration. When two people come together, an ancient circle closes between them. They also come to each other not with empty hands, but with hands full of gifts for each other. Often these are wounded gifts; this awakens the dimension of healing within love. When you really love someone, you shine the light of your soul on the beloved. ~ John O'Donohue, "Anam Cara: A Book of Celtic Wisdom"

When two people come together, an ancient circle closes between them. We are familiar with thinking in these terms when it involves our love and partnering relationships. In our coming together we hope to encounter something that runs deep, that reaches to the core of our being, where we feel connected not only to the one we love, but also to All-That-Is. Those flashes of unity, oneness and wholeness - however brief they may be - blaze like lightning in a stormy night sky, lighting up everything around us.

But what if it's not just our closest love relationships? What if every encounter held that promise? What if we went about the day holding the awareness that every encounter, however brief, potentially holds the promise of this ancient circle? I know I am human and cannot maintain this kind of awareness for even an hour, but what if we were to set our intention in this direction, expecting that somewhere in the day we would feel the ancient circle closing between ourselves and one other human being?

Our hands and hearts are full of gifts for one another. Even if the gifts are sometimes wounded gifts, they still have the power to shine soul-light and love-healing on at least one person today. So be on the lookout for your opportunity today...

Prayer: Beloved, I offer my intention to you. May every encounter I have today be an opportunity to offer a gift to someone. I want the ancient circle of your love to be present in every action, conversation and train of thought. Lead me to balance and transfiguration today. Amen.



Ways to Help Agape'

Looking for ways to help members and friends of Agape' MCC in this upcoming new year? Our church **Benevolence Fund** is depleted and **needs to be replenished.** Our Benevolence Fund is used to provide members and friends with funds for food and other supplies when times are tough. As you can imagine, there have been many needs to meet during 2009.

Won't you consider providing a special gift for those in need? It will be greatly appreciated!



Music Director Job Posting

Agape' MCC is looking for a part-time Music Director (20 hours per week) to coordinate the music ministry of the church. The Music Director will report directly

friend of Agape' MCC and ask for an insurance quote: home, auto, renters, life, etc.

Agape' MCC will receive a \$25 check
for your inquiry.

Contact us at:
www.agapemcc.com

817-535-5002

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to the Senior Pastor. This is a salaried position.

For a copy of the full job posting and description please go to:

<http://agapemcc.com/pdfdocs/musicdirector.pdf>

To apply, please submit a resume to:

Rev. S. David Wynn

Agape MCC

4615 E California Pkwy

Fort Worth TX 76119

email: revwynn@yahoo.com phone #: 817-535-5002

Spirit Road at Agape' MCC

Earlier this year, we began a Thursday night gathering called "Spirit Road". Since then we have explored several ways of worship, different beliefs, religions and many other interesting topics.

At that time we explained our goal with a quote by writer Henry Miller; "Our destination is never a place, but a new way of seeing things."

Spirit Road will bring you songs, tastes, smells, experiences and stories. Through this journey we will continue to learn that although we may hear Spirit called many names, shown in many colors and worshiped in many ways, ALL who come to Spirit Road believe that we are indeed ONE.

One of our regular attendees expressed it best by saying that "Perfect love casts out all fear." She further explained by asking the group, "How much does it mean that I would love you so much and so deeply that I want to find out everything I can about your life and your beliefs so that I can love you even more?"

What more can we say? We will break for the holidays. Spirit Road will resume in 2010 on Thursdays at 7pm, beginning January 7th.

Spirit Road is always open to anyone who would like to come and join us! We hope that you might make us part of your New Year!



Community Policing Forum

Lee Zollinger, President of Fairness Fort Worth, is passing along the invitation to everyone for the upcoming Community Policing Forum to be held at Lan Gran Plaza on Tue, Jan. 26 at 7pm.

This forum will be conducted to:

- Build a better verbal dialogue between the community and the police department
- Maintain a continuous working relationship and address the various concerns of the community

In this meeting, community groups and residents will have the

opportunity to hear about the latest projects and programs, ask questions and give feedback to numerous police officials. For more information about the forum, [click here](#).

You are also invited to the next Fairness Fort Worth Meeting in January. Mark your calendars now. Thursday, January 14. 7:30pm Celebration Church. You can get on the Fairness Fort Worth email list by contacting Lee at: lzollinger@casham.com

It's Never Too Late To Plan Early!



**Comedian
Karen Williams**

Healing with Humor Tour!

For 25 years Karen has been creating laughter. If you've missed her on HBO, LOGO, Olivia Cruises or at any of her shows from San Francisco to NYC to Sydney, catch her New Show in Ft. Worth, Saturday, February 13, 2010!



Comedian Karen Williams

Sat, February 13

8 p.m.

Youth Orchestra Hall

4401 Trail Lake Dr / Fort Worth Texas 76109

Tickets: \$40 Reserved / \$20 General (\$25 at the Door)

Purchase Online at:

<http://www.opendoorproductionstx.com/tickets.htm>

Prayers:

- Louise M.'s brother, Skip, who is ill.
- Connie & Pennie's son Bart- keep hatred away from his heart and mind.
- For Billie Moon.
- For Harold S. & his wife Bonnie.
- For those who are navigating major life changes.
- For peace.
- For a powerful and joyful New Year for all.

Praises!

- Shawn's mom is cancer-free!
- For everyone who helped make sure foster kids in our community had a good Christmas.
- For a brand new day and bright new year.

Our Mission- With open hearts, open minds, and open arms, Agape' MCC is a nurturing faith community seeking God's will by celebrating inclusive worship, redefining family, and providing a voice for justice.

Our Core Values- We believe that a sacred space: Welcomes and affirms all people; Does not "stand idly by" in the face of inequity and injustice; Communicates the unconditional love of God for all; Improves the spiritual connections between each person and God as she or he understands God.