



## Agape' MCC Weekly News

Jan 13 2010

### Upcoming Events

#### Thu Jan 14:

7pm Spirit Road-  
Reincarnation, Part 2

#### Sat Jan 16:

9am-4pm Board Retreat

#### Sun Jan 17:

10:30am Worship Sve

#### Mon Jan 18:

MLK Day- Office Closed

#### Fri Jan 22:

6pm Samaritan House  
Supper Club

#### Sun Jan 24:

Meet, Greet & Eat (after  
worship service)

#### Sat Feb 13:

8pm Karen Williams in  
Concert (at Youth  
Orchestra Hall)

#### Mon Feb 15:

6:30pm Orientation to  
Deacon Training

#### Sat Feb 20:

7pm Men's Fellowship @  
Rusty & David's home

#### Sun Feb 21:

Noon-2:30pm New  
Members Class

#### Sun Feb 28:

Chili Cook-Off (after  
service)!

### January Stats:

#### 01/03:

Attendance: 87



### It's Time for the Agape Chili Cook-off!

Yee-haw! It's that time of year... the annual Agape' MCC Chili Cook-Off: great competition, great food and great fun!

We have 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in the categories of Best Chili and Best Brownies. **The contest will take place next month on Sunday, Feb 28 after service.** More information will be coming soon. Talk to Rusty Cuniff for details.



New Member Class

### New Member Class, Feb 21

If you are interested in seeing what being a member of Agape' is all about and interested in joining the church, plan to attend our New Member Class on **Sunday, February 21st, from noon until 2:30pm** in the Social Hall. Rev. David will lead the class.



### Weekly Meditation - Jan 13 2010

by Rev. Teri Lubbers

### An Image

***How long will grown men and women in this world keep drawing in their coloring books an image of God that makes them sad?... It is a lie - any talk of God that does not comfort you. ~Meister Eckhart, from "Love Poems from God" translated by Daniel Ladinsky***

The images we hold of the Divine give shape to everything we do, whether we are conscious of it or not. I invite you today to write down everything you wish God was. Then write down all the things that you believe about God that trouble you. Put the first list in a safe place where you can refer to it often. Burn the second list. Let it go.

I am not saying that we make God up. I *am* saying however that God-images that make us feel afraid or sad or shamed or unworthy are not of God. Although we are often less-than-gentle with ourselves and others -

Offering: \$2,079

**01/10:**

Attendance: 109

Offering: \$2,199

**01/17:**

Attendance:

Offering: \$

**01/24:**

Attendance:

Offering: \$

**01/31:**

Attendance:

Offering: \$

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judgmental or critical or demanding perfection - God is not. God is just looking for a tiny opening, a bit of willingness to burst into our lives and break us open, set us free.

Spirit continually moves over the chaotic waters of our lives to create us anew, to awaken and stir us up to this amazing life we have been given, to its possibilities and promise. Our wildest dreams are pale compared to what God is dreaming for us.

**Prayer: Beloved, help me to let go of ways of thinking about You that hurt me or others. I want to know You as You are; I can't do that alone. Help me experience your Presence today. Amen.**

**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 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](mailto:revwynn@yahoo.com) phone #: 817-535-5002

**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**

call 877-9-2agree

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& raise funds for  
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### **Deacon Training**

Agape' MCC trains and equips a team of Deacons whose role it is to provide a spiritual presence to those experiencing illness, loss, stress, change and crisis. If you feel a calling to be a part of this team, please contact Rev. David at [revwynn@yahoo.com](mailto:revwynn@yahoo.com) or 817-535-5002.

We will have an **Orientation to Deacon Training on Monday, February 15 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Social Hall to discuss what will be involved in and required in this intensive training.

### **GLBT Business Mixer- Jan 28**

The next GLBT Professional Business Mixer will be held at the Sheraton FW Hotel and Spa at Shula's. The date is Thursday, January 28th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Don't miss the chance to meet other GLBT professionals and gay friendly allies to build your business network. There will be drawings for some great prizes courtesy of Windows 7 and all in attendance will receive a \$150 rebate voucher for a Windows 7 upgrade. Please be sure and RSVP to the GLBT Chamber website at [www.gltbchamber.org](http://www.gltbchamber.org) under "Fort Worth Business Mixer" so that we can get a more accurate headcount of those planning to attend.

Sponsors are needed for future GLBT Professional Networking Mixers for 2010! If you would like to showcase your business or organization, please contact either me, GLBT Board Member, at [jana.c.white@ampf.com](mailto:jana.c.white@ampf.com) or 817-552-3505 (phone) or Tony Vedda, GLBT Chamber President, at [tony.vedda@gltbchamber.org](mailto:tony.vedda@gltbchamber.org). Mixers are held monthly on the last Thursday of each month from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

**BEN Group III (Business Exchange Networking)!**

I am also excited to announce the formation of a new Business Exchange Networking (BEN) Group in Fort Worth! The purpose of the group is to create new business networks for its members. Dallas currently has BEN Groups I and II and they have generated over \$250,000 in new business for their members. The Fort Worth BEN Group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month from 11:30 - 1:00 p.m. in North Fort Worth (location tbd). Only one member from each business group or specialty is allowed and spaces are beginning to fill up. There is a 5 month "semester" period at a cost of \$250 per semester. This covers all expenses for the meetings including lunch. You must also be a North Texas GLBT Chamber Member to attend the BEN meetings. If you are interested in being a part of the new Fort Worth BEN Group III, please visit the chamber website and link to BEN - Business Networking Exchange Registration. Be sure to put "Fort Worth" in the comments section on the registration page.

I hope to see all of you at the meeting on the 28th! - Jana White, Ameriprise Financial Advisor, GLBT Board Member.

**Prayers:**

- Healing for Terri N.
- For jobs and peace for all of those in search of employment.
- For Aunt Rose.
- For Lee C.
- For all of those grieving the loss of a loved one.
- Peace and strength for Lyndon.
- Peace for Marilyn.
- Healing for Nicole.
- For Patsy G. and family.
- For those dealing with stressful situations.
- For Dawn D. and her new journey.
- Dawn's friend, Jim, for his health.
- For our 2010 Board Retreat

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### **Praises!**

- For Ryan Harvey Beaulieu.
- For Collin Trigg Davenport!
- For good test results for several folks in our community.
- For abundance.
- For Janna's healing.
- For a new home for a family.
- For Carlos and his teaching.
- For Stephanie for noticing.
- For a Spiritual Home that cares.
- Thanks to the towel folding fairy- from Evelyn.

**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.