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# KidsUpdate

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A newsletter for the parents of children in the Faith Church Children's Ministry

## Mark your calendar



- November 5 — Daylight Savings Time ends (fall back one hour)
- November 19 — Thanksgiving Breakfast and Praise Service (Breakfast begins at 8:30; Worship begins at 10:30 with Sunday School for Nursery through 6th Grade plus Special Friends)
- November 19 — Deadline for turning in shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child
- November 26 — NO Funny Munny Store in November
- December 10 — Special Christmas Funny Munny Store



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**December 1, 2017 • 6:30-9:00 p.m.**

Children, infants through 6th grade, will spend the evening focusing on the true meaning of Christmas through games, crafts, story time, and snacks - while parents enjoy an evening out. A special attraction this year will be the Bible lesson featuring David Cain, Juggler for Jesus.

This is a great opportunity to reach out to friends and neighbors by inviting their children to come and participate, while the adults go out for dinner or an evening activity together, or for parents to have a special date night.

Advance registration required—Please register as soon as possible (but no later than the deadline of NOON on Tuesday, November 28). Register your child online at [www.faithchurch.net/events](http://www.faithchurch.net/events), text "KIDSCHRISTMAS" to 25399, or e-mail Mary Lee Griffith directly at [mgriffith@faithchurch.net](mailto:mgriffith@faithchurch.net).



## Operation Christmas Child

### November Missions Emphasis

The Children's Ministry missions emphasis for the month of November is Operation Christmas Child. Each year we encourage families and Sunday School classes to consider packing shoeboxes that will be sent to children all around the world through the ministry of Samaritan's Purse.

### How to Pack a Shoebox

Brochures describing how to pack a shoebox have been distributed in children's Sunday School classes. More brochures will be available at the Operation Christmas Child display in the East Alcove. Shoeboxes must be turned in by noon on Sunday, November 19, at the latest (at table in East Alcove).

### Tracking Your Shoebox

Consider taking advantage of the opportunity to purchase a tracking notice online that can be attached to each shoebox. This feature allows families to discover (by e-mail from Operation Christmas Child) where each particular shoebox has been sent. For more information, check out the web address shown below.

<http://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/follow-your-box/>



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### **Volunteers Needed for the Kids Christmas Celebration**

There are a number of adult and teen volunteer opportunities for the Kids Christmas Celebration and Parents Night Out (childcare, crafts, Bible, games, activities, set-up, and clean-up). Sign up online to volunteer at [www.faithchurch.net/events](http://www.faithchurch.net/events) or contact Kari DiStefano at 453-1306, or e-mail her at [kdistefano@faithchurch.net](mailto:kdistefano@faithchurch.net). If you can help, please let Kari know as soon as possible. Thanks!

## Upcoming Events

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!!

**Daylight Savings Time Ends — November 5, 2017**  
“Fall” back (turn your clocks back) one hour.



**Thanksgiving Breakfast and One Service — November 19, 2017**

Come enjoy breakfast with others in the church family (begins at 8:30 a.m. and serving concludes at 9:45 a.m.). Praise service begins at 10:30 a.m. Classes are provided for children from infants through 6th grade plus Special Friends.



**Deadline for submitting shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child — November 19, 2017, at noon**  
Brochures about this seasonal ministry are available at a table in the East Alcove.



**NO Funny Munny Store in November**



**Kids Christmas Celebration and Parents Night Out — December 1, 2017, 6:30-9 p.m.**

Mark your calendar now for this important special celebration. See page 1 for all the particulars. Registration deadline is NOON on Tuesday, November 28.



**Special Christmas Funny Munny Store — December 10, 2017, after each Sunday School hour**



**Christmas Eve — December 24, 2017, 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

Two identical services will be held on Christmas Eve—one at 10:30 a.m. and one at 7:00 p.m. Nursery and Sunday School will be provided at 10:30 for infants through 5s/Kindergarten and Special Friends. Childcare will be provided at 7:00 p.m. for infants through 5s.



**New Year's Eve — December 31, 2017, 10:30 a.m.**  
One Service at 10:30 a.m. with Nursery and Sunday School for infants through 5s/Kindergarten and Special Friends.

