

THE GOOD NEWS

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"The Best Christmas Ever"

By Pastor Woldt



What kind of Christmas will this be? That question is on the mind of retailers as they hope consumer confidence increases dramatically in the next few weeks. What kind of Christmas will this be?

That question is on the mind of workers whose hours are being dramatically cut or whose plants are closing. What kind of Christmas will this be? That question is on the mind of people whose health is failing or who have recently lost a loved one to death.

What kind of Christmas will this be? As you personally contemplate this question, there are two important thoughts to keep in mind. First of all, it strikes me that some of the best Christmas memories come out of the most difficult of times. Spend some time listening to someone who lived through the Great Depression of the 1930's. Many of them will speak of memorable gifts of handcrafted toys or clothing, or maybe a special piece of fruit or candy. There wasn't much money to spend, but Christmas was still a wonderful time. Have we become so greedy and self-centered that we only cherish gifts that come with a high price tag? Isn't the love of the giver more important than the gift itself? The writer of Proverbs once said, "Better a meal of vegetables where there is love than a fattened calf with hatred" (Proverbs 15:17) and "Better a dry crust with peace and quiet than a house full of feasting with strife" (Proverbs 17:1).

What kind of Christmas will this be? Here's the other thought. This Christmas will be blessed if we keep our attention focused on the best Christmas ever! I'm not talking about that Christmas when you seemed to have more money. I'm not talking about that Christmas when all the loved ones were sitting with us at the dinner table. Those are

precious memories. However, we know that the best Christmas ever was the very first Christmas in Bethlehem.

Bright bows and glittering tinsel were nowhere to be found at the best Christmas ever. There was no special meal with all the trimmings. The only twinkling lights were the stars in the sky. Chaos reigned as a young couple scrambled to find a place to sleep in a crowded city miles from their home ... their quest for lodging made all the more urgent by the labor pains Mary was beginning to feel. It didn't look or feel at all like the Christmas's we know today, yet it was the best Christmas ever!

The first Christmas was the best Christmas ever because there was a gift! From eternity God had been planning to give this special gift to the world. This gift was nothing you could buy at a store or charge to a credit card. "When the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons" (Galatians 4:4,5). What a great Christmas! The best Christmas ever means that we have peace with God! The best Christmas ever gives us reason to celebrate even in difficult times.

What kind of Christmas will this be? Retailers may measure the Christmas season in terms of inventory and receipts. We need to step back and take a different view. We need to see Jesus, our Savior! This will be a blessed Christmas if we keep our attention focused on the very first Christmas, the best Christmas ever! God bless you this Christmas season with the gift of his love!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY SENIORS!!!

Lillian Boeker...12/2/1922..86 yrs. old
Beata Ehlke...12/22/1922..86 yrs. old
Martha Liesener...12/23/1925...83 yrs. old

Greeters for DECEMBER 2008

December 6th

5:00 Fritz and Omi Mahnke

December 7th

7:45 Mark and Jen Otte

10:15 Brian and Pam Lee

December 13th

5:00 Mark and Laurie Bublitz

December 14th

7:45 Bob and Lisa Heider

10:15 Robert and Beth Schneiker

December 20th

5:00 Betty Gumm

December 21st

7:45 Diane Hafemeister and Sue Daley

10:15 Tom and Jane Neuman

December 27th

5:00 Ren and Edie Kremer

December 28th

7:45 David and Dawn Doering

10:15 Mark and Valerie Wellman



PARISH NURSE NEWS

**“I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.” -
Jeremiah 31:13**

Do you know a family who has experienced a loss this last year? After the loss of a loved one, the holiday season brings special memories and tender moments of sadness. Yet we can trust that, through God’s healing touch, Christmases yet to come will once again be filled with hope and joy.

As fellow members of the body of Christ, are there things we can do to help our grieving families through this time? Of course there are! A personal invitation to a church service or holiday gathering may offer support, especially to someone who may be faced with the dilemma of having to attend alone for the first time. Keep in mind that the bereaved may not be ready to face such a “first” quite yet. Please respect that and find another way to accompany your loved one on their journey.

Listening to the bereaved share stories of past holidays with their loved one is very comforting. Some families will light a memorial candle beside a picture of their loved one or contribute to a favorite ministry in memory of a loved one. Each situation is different. Attentive listening is perhaps the best thing we can offer!

To the grieving person, I would encourage them to talk to a trusted friend, family member, or Pastor if feelings are overwhelming. The usual wisdom of moderate exercise, healthy eating, and getting plenty of rest is important at this time especially. Spend time with people who love you and yet feel free to say “no thank you” to kind invitations if that is what you need at this time. Taking time to rediscover the meaning of Christmas will most certainly help. Christ came into this world to save us from our sins so that we may enjoy eternal life in heaven. Because of this we have the sure hope of a reunion in heaven with our loved ones who have died before us!

May God hold the bereaved and hurting in love and peace during this holiday season and throughout the coming year!

Together in God’s love,
Sue Bolha RN, Parish Nurse

DAVID’S STAR FORMING SPECIAL CHOIR

We are forming a special choir to sing in the Christmas Eve Candlelight Service this December 24. The music chosen is a 20-minute easy cantata arranged especially for **unison** choirs. The piece includes several carols. This is an ideal opportunity for anyone wishing to sing for one event or for entire families (including upper grade children) to sing together. Rehearsals will be held before evening Advent services on December 10 and 17 (5:45-6:45 PM) and between Sunday services on December 21 (9:15-10:00 AM). If you are interested in joining us, please call Ren Kremer (262-783-5200 [W] or 262-251-7141 [H]) to reserve your music.

November 11, 2008

Members in attendance: Pastor Loescher, Pastor Woldt, Dan Bolha, Randy Matter, Kevin Behm, Tim Gustafson, Mark Otte, Todd Backus, Kurt Henning, Brian Lee, Dennis Bell, David Zarling..

Absent: Jeff Morgan.

The meeting was opened with a prayer. A motion was made and carried to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting on October 7, 2008.

Committee Reports

Membership Report (Pastor Woldt)

Incoming: Hammond, David & Jaime
Michael, Matthew & Wyatt
Transfer from Our Savior, Grafton, WI
Schultz, Andrew
Transfer from St. Paul, Neosho, WI

Outgoing: Guenther, Jonathon
Transfer to St. John's, Wauwatosa, WI
Richards, Lee & Linda
Released from membership

Pastors' report

Pastor Loescher, # 677-0919 kloescher@davidstar.org

Pastor Woldt, # 377-1019 woldt@nconnect.net

Thank you to all the members participating in the "Our Foundation Built on the Rock – 2009-2011" appeal. It is truly a blessing to see God's people working together for future gospel ministry. Please take advantage of the many opportunities before us to gather, worship and fellowship as we enter the Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas season of the church year.

President's report

Randy Matter, # 376-1585 matters@nconnect.net

DNR's NR-151 Nutrient Management Plan – This is a pending issue. Randy Vogel is working on this plan.

Nominating Committee – The Nominating Committee is being formed. Elected positions that need candidates for January 2009 include: President (Randy Matter), Vice President (Jeff Morgan), Board of Elders Chairman (Dennis Bell), Board of Elementary Education (Brian Lee), Board of Elders member (Rick Ebeling), Board of Elders member (Gene Hagenow), Board of Elementary Education member (Bob Heider), Board of Elementary Education member (Mike Bublitz), and Board of Building and Grounds member (Ryan Brietkreutz). Thus far, Randy Matter and Ryan Breikreutz are members of the Nominating Committee.

Internet Antenna – The voters approved our three recommended actions in the special voter's meeting. A three person committee has been formed consisting of Paul Steinbrenner (chair), Roger Tews and Dennis Kohlmeier II. I have asked them to submit a recommendation to the voters in January 2009. The roofer is fine to wait as long as needed to finish the other half of the steeple roof.

Shingles are being stored here so there are no real cost implications to waiting. There would be duplicate costs of locating and relocating the antenna if we proceeded now.

Budget Deficit – Thanks to all of the Council and boards and committees for wrestling with this issue this year. I have heard from some of you about your struggles. Dealing with this issue won't be easy but it is necessary to start addressing this problem in a proactive way. The Executive Committee and Todd Backus have scheduled a meeting on Monday November 10 to review the preliminary budget.

Annual Report – Boards and committees please remember to get annual report information to Phyllis by the end of the year.

Board for Buildings and Grounds

Kurt Henning, # 677-2797 klh@nconnect.net

New fluorescent lighting is being installed in the gym. They are being installed and paid for by the Golf Committee. The cost is being offset with a rebate by WE Energies.

There was discussion regarding emergency lighting in the gym in the case of a power outage. Kurt will look into this.

Board for Elementary Education

Brian Lee, Telephone #377-9419 brian.lee@jci.com

Principal Tim Gustafson # 338-3992

tgustafson@davidstar.org

Things are running smoothly for the board.

Synod is offering a 403B retirement plan which will be available for all called workers and support staff. Dan Bolha and Pastor Woldt are looking into this.

Board of Elders

Dennis Bell, Telephone # 677-2248 dandmbell@sbc.global

The Board of Elders recommends to council that we distribute the \$1000 budgeted amount into \$700 for the Choir Director and \$300 for the Male Choir Director.

There will be a door collection taken at both services on November 23rd to defray the costs for travel of the group "Revelation" who will be enhancing our worship in both services on that day.

We will be hosting a Parish Nurse gathering here at David's Star on Saturday January 31st, 2009 from 8:00am until 2:00pm.

Kris Eggers has contacted our board requesting \$1500 for the servicing of the hand bells. Due to budget constraints this year, we have not included it in our budget. Can we take this money from special funds, or look for a donation from the congregation for this work? It was recommended that we solicit interest from the congregational members who might be interested in supporting this.

Evangelism Committee

David Zarling, Telephone # 674-1094

david.zarling@gmail.com

Aaron Matter is a new member of the Evangelism Committee. Pictorial directory is shipping 12/1/08.

The Evangelism Committee reviewed the New Member welcome.

The committee discussed possible supplemental material for new members.

The committee discussed current vs. future new member bio and picture obtainment.

David Zarling is creating a new member follow-up tracking method.

The committee reviewed recent new members and need for follow-up.

Beth Steinbrenner initiated a welcome to non-member families with children attending our school.

Diane Kowalske will be helping with welcome cards to new members

The committee reviewed Thanksgiving and Christmas ads.

The committee discussed German service promotion.

The committee reviewed Christmas postcard invitation.

The committee reviewed the new template for "The Good News" newsletter.

The committee reviewed Event/Promotional calendar.

David Zarling is creating a Publicity Project Request form for other committees to use.

The committee discussed the possibility of including Evangelism encouragement/articles in the newsletter.

The committee discussed working with Spiritual Growth to implement Evangelism-themed Bible classes or seminars.

Stewardship Committee

Todd Backus, # 677-4016 todd.backus@prodigy.net

he giving tree needed to be removed due to Christmas giving tree. (lack of space)

Heart N Focus seminar has been scheduled for early 2009.

Co-teachers have committed to teaching.

After having reviewed suggestions from the Stewardship and Evangelism Committee, we will review/implement the following, in addition to Todd including monthly pieces in our newsletter:

Stewardship Corner – weekly bulletin stewardship topic.

Kevin is looking into the possibility of postcards for quarterly statements and/or refrigerator magnets.

We will review the message "Built to Serve" to tie into our building program.

Budget timing is similar to last year. In October, we are developing an input worksheet for different areas of church showing 2007 actuals, 2008 actuals, and 2009 projected. In November, we are inserting data into spreadsheets for November Council meeting for discussion. In December, we will make final revisions.

Next "special" envelope is 12/14/08 for Christian Life Resources. Kevin will summarize for bulletin.

Spiritual Growth Committee

Mark Otte, # 306-3521 motte@kmlhs.org

Adult and Teen Sunday morning Bible classes continue. Pastor Woldt is leading a class on the book of Romans in the church. Pastor Loescher is leading a called "Lessons to Share" in the school. Mr. Otte is leading the teens in a study of the book of Mark in the parish center.

Interest in next year's youth rally is being studied. A group may be formed from David's Star to attend this event. Any teens that are interested in going to this event may contact Mr. Otte at motte@kmlhs.org.

2009 budget numbers were discussed and submitted.

Building Committee

Update Randy Vogel

No report. There will be a meeting on November 24th.

Fundraising Committee Update

Gary Heckendorf

No report. This Sunday is Commitment Sunday and the pancake breakfast.

Treasurer's report

Dan Bolha, # 677-3485 bolha@netwurx.net

The October 31, 2008 ending balance in our operating fund shows a deficit of \$185,944 compares to a deficit of \$177,483 September 30, 2008 and a deficit of \$168,252 on October 31, 2007. Year to date operating fund receipts are \$662,808 compared to \$627,948 last year and this year's budget of \$715,336. Our Foundation Build on the Rock funding appeal has received year to date revenues of \$285,109.

Vice President Report

Jeff Morgan, # 377-7532

No report.

A motion was made and carried to accept all reports except those items that needed separate action under old or new business.

Old Business

. There was an extensive discussion regarding the 2009 budge and the various options that we might consider in order to come up with a workable final budget. It was decided that Randy would draft a letter on behalf of council to the congregational members describing various issues relative to our ministry that the council is wrestling with in our budgeting process.

There was some additional follow up discussion regarding the toilet facilities in the woods. It had been decided that we would continue patching the roof on these facilities as long as it was still feasible.

New Business

None

Items for Voters (for the January 15 voters meeting)

None

Next months meeting is **Tuesday, December 16, 2008 at 7:00 P.M.** The next Voters meeting will be **Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 7:00 PM.**

A motion was made and carried to adjourn. The meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectively submitted,

Kevin A. Behm, Recording Secretary kevinbehm@att.net.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2008

	Current Month Offerings	Average weekly offerings	Offerings Received thru 10/31/08	Offerings Budgeted thru 10/31/08
Operating	\$57,849	\$14,462	\$611,756	\$654,039
Missions	\$ 5,436	\$ 1,359	\$ 66,137	\$ 72,954
KML Operating	\$ 3,684	\$ 921	\$ 42,577	\$ 46,761
KML Building	\$ 933	\$ 233	\$ 11,744	\$ 12,500

The deficit in our Operating Fund is:
\$185,944

The deficit at the end of October 2007 was:
\$168,252

The deficit at the end of October 2006
was: \$115,609

CHRISTIAN LIFE RESOURCES CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

**Wednesday & Thursday
December 10 & 11, 2008
4:30 pm to 7:30 pm
(6:00 pm Entertainment)**

**Christian Life Resources
3070 Helsan Drive,
Richfield, WI 53076**

(located across the street from Cabela's entrance)

Enjoy fun and fellowship with a cup of hot cocoa
or hot cider and lights snacks while watching:

Wednesday: Branches Band

**Thursday: Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School's
Echoes**



MID-WEEK ADVENT SERVICES

Wednesday, DECEMBER 3, 10, 17
SERVICE TIMES 3:45 & 7:00 PM

LIGHT SUPPER SERVING IN THE SCHOOL
GYM BETWEEN SERVICES

HOLIDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE 2008

Advent Song Services

Sunday, December 14

7:45 & 10:15 am

German/English Service

Sunday, December 21, 2008

1:00 pm

Christmas Eve Services

Wednesday, December 24, 2008

Christmas Eve Children's Service

4:30 pm at

Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School

Candlelight Song Service

at 10:00 pm at David's Star Church

Christmas Day Services

Thursday, December 25, 2008

7:45 and 9:30 am

New Year's Eve Services

Wednesday, December 31, 2008

3:45 and 7:00 pm w/Holy Communion

New Year's Day Service

Thursday, January 1, 2009

9:30 am





WELS UPDATE FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Given the worldwide economic downturn and its impact on the amount certain individual donors are able to give to the work of the synod, the special Year of Jubilee debt-elimination offering is taking on added urgency. One individual, who last year committed to give about \$3 million a year for five years for the synod operating budget, has announced he will not be able, at this time, to fulfill his commitment for the next fiscal year. Another foundation, which this calendar year gave \$8 million towards synod operations and ministry, has indicated that it will have to significantly reduce that amount next year. The Year of Jubilee offering was authorized by the 2007 synod convention with a goal of eliminating the synod's \$22.4 million debt, to free up nearly \$2.7 million in debt payments for other ministry. Resources can be found online at www.wels.net/jubileeworship. Congregations are encouraged to submit a collective offering from their members. Individuals can also make a gift online at www.wels.net/jump/donate.

On November 14 and 15, the Synodical Conference accepted a recommendation from the Compensation Committee that the synod salary schedule for called workers provide for an increase of one percent to the base salary in each of the next two years. When experience increments are included, the overall average salary increase for workers with less than 31 years of experience will be approximately 2.25 percent, roughly equivalent to the rate of inflation. The original planning had provided an average increase of 3.5 percent – because of economic conditions, the actual increase was less than planned.

Although wildfires continue to rage in Southern California, WELS members in Yorba Linda are safe after fire passed through the surrounding area November 15 and 16. The fires, which are estimated to have destroyed more than 900 homes and scorched approximately 40,000 acres, started November 13. Approximately 20 members of Grace in Yorba Linda – including one family whose home was destroyed – had to evacuate November 15. Ten of them spent the night at the church, which did not sustain any damage. All have since returned home. WELS Committee on Relief is sending \$7,500 to Grace to help the member family that lost its home.

Overjoyed by the Star

In Matthew 2, we read about the Visit of the Magi. Following the star, inquiring at the king's palace, informed by the priests where to find the Child, they trudged with determination to Bethlehem, bringing with them the gifts they planned to present as they worshiped Him. *"When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with His mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped Him. Then they opened their treasures and presented Him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh"* (Matthew 2:10-11).

What did the Wise Men from the East know about this Baby or His family? Not much. Yet they came in faith, bringing gifts with them to honor Him. How far did they travel? How long was their trip? We can surmise, but what's important to know is that, for them, the trip with all its drudgery was worth it. "They were overjoyed."

How long a trip are we prepared to make this Christmas to worship the Christ Child? Are we willing to put up with inconvenience and sacrifice in order that we might come before Him with our gifts, offering them in faith, as the Wise Men did?

What causes our joy this Christmas season? Is it seeing the eyes of little children light up when they open their presents? That's good. Is it finding exactly the right gift for someone special? That's good, too. But are we "overjoyed" when we see the star? Contrary to the messages we hear in the commercials and even the seasonal songs, the only thing Christmas is about is the birth of Jesus, the Savior of the world.

Along with doing all the wonderful things that are good to do at this time of the year, including the visiting of sick and the shut-in, the baking of goodies for food banks, the sharing of financial resources with those in need, and all the shopping and caroling and everything else, let's find our joy in seeing the star. That star points us to Jesus and leads us to the Cross. Let us "open our treasures" and worship Him with our best and most precious gifts as the Wise Men did.

The Stewardship Committee

*Hello from the 5th grade class at David's Star. We were studying the lesson about Jesus calling Fishers of Men in Christ Light class. Our assignment was to write something that showed our faith to share with the congregation. We hope that you enjoy reading about and getting to know us!
Thanks, Mrs. Johnson*

Will Campbell

I was one and a half when I was baptized in a Methodist Church. Mrs. Santiago was the 1st to tell me about Jesus. When I was two and a half I had a reaffirmation of baptism as St. John's in Milwaukee. At age seven I came to David's Star and became a member here. My teachers, pastors, and my parents continue to teach me about Jesus. At first I was shy, but I grew to get used to being here and so far, well, it's been fun!

Zach Strupp

I became a member of David's Star when my parents for a divorce. My parents were the first people to share the word with me and the same people still do today. The Gospel means a lot to me. When I hear the word Gospel I think of going to church and the Word of God. When I go to church I think of the Gospel. I was baptized on August 8, 1997.

Nicole Kreutzer

I was baptized on July 20. In 2008, when my brother started high school I came to David's Star. My parents, pastors, teachers, and grandma teach me the Gospel. I am so thankful that Jesus died for me. I learn how to act toward others. I learn that you should forgive others no matter what.

Kari Beine

I was baptized here at David's Star. My mom is a member here, and my dad is a catholic at St. Frances Cabrini in West Bend. I go to David's Star. My parents were the first people to tell me who Jesus was. I knew who baby Jesus and the animals were in the nativity set when I was 1 year and 9 months old. The Gospel message means a lot to me because it says that Jesus came and died for us to take away all of my sins and all other people's sins. The Gospel says Jesus also rose from the dead. It also says that all believers will go to heaven. In heaven there is no sorrow and nothing but happiness.

Samantha Brandt

I was baptized August 30, 1998 at Immanuel Lutheran Church. We became members at David's Star in 2002. My Uncle Dave and Aunt Joan Brandt and Uncle Randy and Aunt Patty Kison told my mom and dad about David's Star. My aunt Amy taught me God's Word. My teachers keep sharing the word with me. The Gospel shows that Jesus died to take away our sins. The Gospel also shows our Savior which is found in the New Testament of the Bible.

Taylor Brazell

I was baptized in July 1998. I became a member in 1999. My mom and dad first shared the Word with me. My teachers, mom, dad, and pastors continue to teach me the Word. The Gospel message means that I should stay close to God's Word. I should read the Bible daily. I should follow the Word, Law, and Bible to stay close to faith.

Chandler Butzke

I was born in 1998, June 17 and was baptized at David's Star. I first heard the Word when I was born. My pastors, teachers, and parents keep sharing the Word. The Gospel means love. It also means compassion and being saved.

Caleb Gustafson

I went to Jerusalem in Morton Grove, Illinois for three years, and went to David's Star for seven years. I was baptized on April 5 Palm Sunday. I became a member of David's Star in 2001. My mom and dad first shared the Word with me. My teachers, Pastor Kleist of Jerusalem, and Pastors Woldt and Loescher of David's Star continue to teach me. The Gospel means to me that Jesus came to die and rose again to save me from my sins. The Gospel also means to me that Jesus crushed the devil's head, and now I can go to heaven to have everlasting life with him.

Ben Hartwig

I was born in a believing family. I was baptized on September 28, 1997. My mom and dad were always members. They were the first to tell me about Jesus. Pastors, teachers, mom, and dad continue to share it with me. The message means to me our Savior cares for us and wants us to lead a pure life.

Victoria Heckendorf

I was born into this church. I was baptized in the hospital by Pastor Schultz on July 27, 1998. I was reaffirmed a couple of months later. I was born on a Sunday so that is why I got baptized at the hospital on that day. I was born on July 26, 1998 that day before I got baptized.

Elizabeth Heider

I was born on January 31. I was baptized. I heard God's Word when I was 2 or 3 days old. I was in the hospital and the pastor came and preached to me and my mom. My parents continue to share God's Word with me. The Gospel teaches me about Jesus, God, and all that has happened. One of the most amazing things that has happened in the Gospel is when God sent his son to die on the cross and take away everyone's sins. I have been going to David's Star for 5 ¼ years.

Faith Otte

I was baptized on November 30th 1997. I was baptized in Grace Lutheran Church in LaCrosse, WI. I became a member of David's Star in July 2001 when my family and I moved to West Bend. My parents first shared the Word with me when I was born. My parents continue to share the Word with me. My teachers and pastors also share the Word with me. The Gospel means a lot to me. I listen to it every day. If Jesus had not come to save us we would be sad all the time.

Molly Sanford

I was baptized December 20th 1997 and was born into the church. My parents first shared God's Word with me. My parents, pastors, and teachers continue to share God's Word with me. The Gospel tells me how Jesus died and took my place so I don't have to suffer in hell. It also tells me that Jesus rose and is making a place in heaven for me. This is why I love the Gospel.

Tyler Scholze

My spiritual background is 10 years. I was baptized on November 7th 1998. I became a member of David's Star because I was baptized there. My family told me about Jesus. My pastors, teachers, and family continue to share God's Word. The Gospel means that he is my Savior. He has died for me.

Evan Willis

I was baptized at Morning Star. I became a member of David's Star only about 3 months ago because I moved up from the state of Illinois. I first learned the Word of God when Pastor Schroeder was still here. I still learn the Word of God in school, church, and at home. What the Gospel means to me is comfort. It also helps me live an every day life.

Amber Wolfgram

I was baptized October 18, 1997 the day after I was born. I was born into David's Star. My parents were the first people to share the Word. My parents, teachers, pastors, aunts, and uncles still share the Word with me. The Gospel means so much to me. It means Jesus and forgiveness. It means heaven. I thank and praise God for the Gospel.