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EDGERTON
CHURCH OF CHRIST

THE VISION

Edgerton Church of Christ, PO Box 819, Edgerton, OH 43517

Christmas, Coffee, & Cookies
December 17, 9:30

Bring a dozen to swap And a dozen to eat

BRING YOUR FAMILY

Christmas Service

DECEMBER 24, 10:30 AM
CAROLS, SCRIPTURE, & A CHRISTMAS STORY

2 Timothy 2:15 WordWise

Jeff Lyon

Lisa and I have had an interesting time decorating our new home for Christmas. In our previous home, where we lived for over 17 years, each decoration had a specific location. My mom's little Santa boot, which holds candy canes, always sat on my grandpa's refinished washstand in the kitchen. The big nativity scene was placed on the downstairs table in the stable my grandfather built. The small ceramic nativity scene that I made in Vacation Bible School when I was seven or eight years old, always found its way to my daughter's room. Sally Ann, Lisa's bear, which rides in my grandfather's rocking horse, was always changed into her Christmas dress. The ceramic Christmas trees that my mom made were always in the bathrooms. Everything had a specific place, and it never felt right if a decoration was not in its proper location.

However, in our new home, we have had to figure out the perfect spot for each decoration from scratch. As we place the decorations, it brings back memories and reminds us of their significance. For over 17 years, we put out these decorations without much thought, but this year, as we place them in their new home, we think about each and every one of them. The memories that come flooding back, sometimes happy and sometimes sad, seem to mean so much more this year as the decorations find their new home.

Sometimes, I wonder if we need to do the same thing with Jesus that Lisa and I have done with our decorations. Rather than just placing Him in the manger as we do every year, maybe it's time to find a new location for Him this Christmas. Maybe it's time that Jesus takes up residence where He was always meant to reside. As one of my favorite Christmas hymns reminds us:

THOU DIDST LEAVE THY THRONE AND THY KINGLY CROWN,
WHEN THOU CAMEST TO EARTH FOR ME;
BUT IN BETHLEHEM'S HOME WAS THERE FOUND NO ROOM
FOR THY HOLY NATIVITY.
O COME TO MY HEART, LORD JESUS,
THERE IS ROOM IN MY HEART FOR THEE.

THOU CAMEST, O LORD, WITH THE LIVING WORD
THAT SHOULD SET THY PEOPLE FREE;
BUT WITH MOCKING SCORN, AND WITH CROWN OF THORN,
THEY BORE THEE TO CALVARY.
O COME TO MY HEART, LORD JESUS,
THERE IS ROOM IN MY HEART FOR THEE.

HEAVEN'S ARCHES RANG WHEN THE ANGELS SANG,
PROCLAIMING THY ROYAL DEGREE;
BUT OF LOWLY BIRTH DIDST THOU COME TO EARTH,
AND IN GREAT HUMILITY.
O COME TO MY HEART, LORD JESUS,
THERE IS ROOM IN MY HEART FOR THEE.

WHEN THE HEAVENS SHALL RING, AND THE ANGELS SING,
AT THY COMING TO VICTORY,
LET THY VOICE CALL ME HOME, SAYING "YET THERE IS ROOM,
THERE IS ROOM AT MY SIDE FOR THEE."
MY HEART SHALL REJOICE, LORD JESUS,
WHEN THOU COMEST AND CALLEST FOR ME.




Lisa and I wish you a very happy Christmas! May you experience the joy of the season, the thrill of hope, and most importantly, may you give Jesus first place in your heart and not just leave Him in the manger.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service	3 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship Service	4 1:30 pm Ladies Bible Study	5 6:00 pm Ladies Aid Christmas Party	6 Ron Thorp-B	7 8	9 Gail Reitzel-B
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 24 (No Sunday School) 10:30 am Worship Service	25 	26 27	28 29	30 31	A=Anniversary	
 31 (No Sunday School) 10:30 am Worship Service	31 SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!					

Edgerton Church of Christ

LADIES AID



December 6,
6:00 pm
Christmas Party

ENJOY AN EVENING OF GOOD FOOD, A LOT OF FUN,
AND SHARING THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS
WITH YOUR SISTERS IN CHRIST!

FAMILY DINNER



POTLUCK STYLE MEAL

DECEMBER 12
AFTER MORNING SERVICES



WOMEN'S HEALTH RESOURCE

HELP ← HOPE → HEALING

"At the age of 18, I came to CPC Women's Health Resource scared and pregnant. I considered all three options of adoption, abortion, and parenting. After talking to the counselors, I decided to carry my baby and parent with my boyfriend. My relationship with the baby's father failed, though, and it left me heartbroken and feeling like a failure. I came back to the CPC and received support, counsel, and prayer that God would lead me. I later began a new relationship with a man who accepted me just as I was, and he loved my boys as their own father. We decided to get married, and together we made a commitment to abstain from sex until our marriage, in honor to God who was a big part of our lives. The CPC helped make our relationship a reality because they helped me get back into the Word. Randy and I are now happily married, and we now have a daughter. We have a wonderful family, and God is the head of our household. I now travel to churches and organizations speaking on behalf of the CPC and sharing my story of hope."

Many more stories like this one have been told because of the work of the CPC Women's Health Resource in Bryan, Defiance, Napoleon, and Wauseon. We are blessed to be a supporter of such a loving agency where people are loved, cared for, and connected to Jesus.

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