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Awana Grand Prix

The Awana Grand Prix is a Pinewood Derby-style event that will be held at CMBC January 16, 2010, 8:30 AM-12:00 PM. Before the race, T&T clubbers can purchase small pine blocks of wood and plastic wheels from which they can construct their cars, usually with the help of a parent. The car kit costs \$2.00 and is available from the Awana store. The cars race on a four-lane wooden track. Awards are given for both design and speed. All T&T Clubbers, their families, and Awana leaders are invited!

PreSchool Volunteer Seminar

All volunteers who serve in a Sunday preschool classroom are invited to join us for this informative and encouraging seminar on January 10 or 17; 6:00-7:30 PM in Lefever Hall (the same content will be covered at both seminars, so choose one to attend). We will be discussing tips for working with preschoolers, curriculum, and CMBC policies and procedures. We'll have a break-out time for individual departments to meet. There will also be refreshments and door prizes! Those interested in finding out more about serving in our PreSchool Ministries are also invited to attend.

CMBC Children's Ministry has a new website! There is a link to the website from the church's homepage (www.calvarymonument.org). This website contains information about our ministries as well as resources for parents to use as they lead their children in knowing and serving God. Each month, the home page will contain a list a Internet resources, websites, and articles that you will find useful. Last month, there was a list of articles about preparing your family for Christmas. This month, there is a list of websites for children that are worth checking out.

On the website, you are able to download archived copies of *Kids' Konnection*. For example, check out last January's *Kids' Konnection* for an interesting article titled "Growing Up with God: An Age-by-age Guide to Nurturing Your Child's Faith."

One more exciting feature of the website is a follow-up to the sermon that Pastor Reid will be posting each week following the Sunday services. This feature will give parents some discussion questions and interactive family activities to use to help their children apply what they have

learned during the Sunday morning worship service.

The sermon follow-up activities from December 13 are included below. Visit the website each week for new activities!

Light that Accompanied the Good News

Pastor Bob Reid

When God wanted to get the attention of a group of people to give them an important message, He used a bright light called the glory of the Lord. It got the shepherds' attention, they heard the message, and they traveled to Bethlehem to check out the message. Here are some activities that might help you remember and apply the sermon you heard today on Luke 2: 8-20. Why not use one or more of these exercises.

- **Drama Activity**--Ask the children to act out the passage that was studied. The parts that will be needed are: shepherds, sheep, angels, Mary, Joseph, and the baby. Unless you have a large family you will need to have people do more than one part!

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A Look Ahead to Summer 2010

- Plans for Summer 2009 are already underway! We are planning to hold Vacation Bible School (VBS) again this summer. VBS will be held in the evenings of July 11-15, 2010.
- We will also be spending a week at Kingdom Quest Camp (held at Camp Joy El in Greencastle, PA). This week-long overnight camp experience will be held August 2-6, 2010 and is for children who will have completed grades 3-6. Watch for more details in the coming months! We are looking for several adults and teens who would like to serve as camp staff. If you are interested, please contact Heather Enslen.



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CMBC Well-Child Policy

At CMBC, we maintain a well-child policy. If your child has symptoms of illness (cough, runny nose, fever, rash, pink eye, etc.) or has had diarrhea or vomited within the past 24 hours, please keep your child at home for your child's comfort and the health of others in the classroom.

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- **Craft Activity**--Give the children some old Christmas magazines, Sunday School papers, etc., and have them cut out an angel. Then draw a circle on a piece of paper (have them draw around a can to make a circle large enough to paste their angel in it). Color the circle so it looks like the map of the world. Paste the angel on the paper print these words, "God sent his message to the world so we could share it with others." After they are done remind them that the people around them need to re-

member that Jesus came into the world to save people from their sins.

- **Cooking Activity**-- Look through your cooking supplies to see if you have a cookie cutter in the shape of an angel. How about making some cookies that the children can decorate? Maybe they could share one with Mrs. Heather! As they eat the cookie review a verse that would be good to memorize, "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11).

- **Review Activity**-- Take turns asking one another review questions on the passage. Keep score too!

- **For Older Children**-- They could look up other places in the Bible where the "glory of the Lord appeared." Passages: Exodus 24:16-17; Exodus 40:34-35; Leviticus 9:6,23; 1 Kings 8:11; Exodus 16:6-8; Numbers 14:10, 21, 22. Ask them, "Why do you think the glory of the Lord appeared at this time?"

Finding Your Seat

- Have you ever found it difficult to find your seat at the movies? Not because you were late and it was dark, but because you're not sure how your Christian values intersect with movie and entertainment choices today. Have you ever longed for a clear, concise Biblical perspective on movies and entertainment? Have you ever wished for help in knowing how to make those tough entertainment choices and how to guide your children as they grow in making wise decisions?
- On Friday night, January 22nd from 6:30-9:30 PM Grace Point Church (South Singer Avenue, Paradise) will be discussing these very questions with the help of Dr. Mark Menga. Dr. Menga has over nine years of college teaching experience and has taught on movies and culture in local churches. There is no cost for this event. For more details and to register online, visit <http://www.gracepointparadise.com/ministries>.

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