

Presbyterian Women

World Mission



Christmas Gifts for Residents of The Haven, The Salvation Army's Women's & Children's Shelter

When shopping for
those you love this

holiday season, please remember the Women and Children at The Haven, The Salvation Army's Shelter for Women and Children. The Presbyterian Women are collecting small, **new** toys for children of all ages as well as toiletries and small gift items for the mothers. These gifts will be wrapped following the PW Winter Gathering Luncheon on December 15th.

Details about the time and date of The Haven Christmas Party will be announced soon. Thank you.

– Bligh Jones

About The Haven

The Salvation Army's Women and Children's Shelter, known as The Haven, provides emergency housing for women and children who are without a home. Women living in the shelter receive two meals a day, a bed for each family member, clothing and transportation assistance, parenting classes and job preparation skills. Funding for the shelter is provided by the United Way of SW Alabama, local churches, civic groups and donors throughout Mobile and Baldwin counties.



PW Winter Gathering December 15th

The PW Winter Gathering will be held on December 15th at 11 a.m. Scott Spence will lead the Bible Study in the Sanctuary. Afterward, we will adjourn to Fellowship Hall for our meal together.

Soups – CT

members

Salads – Circles 1,
5 and 6

Desserts – Circle 7

Decorations, Set
Up & Take Down

– Circle 8



After the meal, all are invited to stay and help wrap presents for 'The Haven' Christmas Party. **Ya'll come!**

Christmas Mission Market 2009 Opens Sunday, November 29th

GSPC's World Missions Committee's **Christmas Mission Market 2009** opens Sunday, November 29th, in the foyer area outside the church office. On this Sunday and the two following, December 6th and December 13th, the Market will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and after the worship service. Please see our 2009 Market Brochure and Order Form included with this Newsletter. Extra copies of the Order Form will be available over the next three weeks at the market order table and in the sanctuary pew racks.

Madagascar Prayer Requests from the Turks, our Missionary Family in Madagascar, Africa

Nov. 2, 2009

Dear Friends of Madagascar,

We come to you tonight with a few prayer requests:

- The FJKM suffered a great tragedy Sunday with the death of Hery Rabemanahaka, the director of the FJKM School Department. He was struck by a car crossing the road Thursday evening and never recovered. The FJKM School Department has over 5000 schools in it.
- Please pray for Mr. Hery's wife and daughter. Please also pray for the FJKM as it suffers the loss of one of its leaders. Please pray for the FJKM School Department in the loss of its director.
- The International community met again with the 4 political movements in Addis Ababa from November 3-5. At the October 6 meeting, the international community endorsed Andry Rajoelina as president of the transition government despite, the objection of President Ravalomanana. Those supporting President Ravalomanana are still being repressed and jailed. Even Madagascar's civil society is calling for an inclusive solution to the problem.
- Please pray for those involved in the Addis Ababa meetings. Please pray that the principles of justice will be respected. Please pray that the interests of the Malagasy people will be placed above personal and international interests. Please pray for a peaceful and just resolution to the crisis.

Thank you for your continued concern and prayer for the Malagasy people.

Peace in Christ,
Dan and Elizabeth Turk

Calendar

Sunday, Nov. 22

- 11:00 Worship-Christ the King Sunday
Communion
- 12:00 Further Conversation in the Parlor
- 12:15 Sacred Tones extra rehearsal
- 12:45 Sanctuary Choir extra rehearsal
- 5:30 PYC

Monday, Nov. 23

- 7:00 Coffee Club Communion with Rev. Ryan Jensen
- 8:00 Women's Bible Study (Frist)

Tuesday, Nov. 24

- 7:00 Coffee Club Bible Study with Scott Spence
- 7:00 West Mobile Men's Bible Study (Nordmann's)
- 9:30 Women's Disciple Group (Frist)

Wednesday, Nov. 25

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study (Frist)

Thursday, Nov. 26-Office is Closed

- 10:00 **Community Thanksgiving Service** at
St. Francis Street United Methodist Church,
15 N. Joachim St., Mobile

Friday, Nov. 27-Office is Closed

Sunday, Nov. 29

- 9:00 Christmas Mission Market (Foyer)
- 11:00 Worship-New Members will be received
- 12:00 Further Conversation

Monday, Nov. 30

- 8:00 Women's Bible Study (Frist)
- 11:30 All Staff Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, Dec. 1

- 7:00 Coffee Club Bible Study with Scott Spence
- 7:00 West Mobile Men's Bible Study (Nordmann's)
- 9:30 Women's Disciple Group (Frist)
- 5:30 Committee Meetings—Urban Ministries,
Property, and Evang. & Membership

Wednesday, Dec. 2

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study (Frist)
- 6:00 Men's Disciple Group (Parlor)

Thursday, Dec. 3

- 7:00 Coffee Club Bible Study with Scott Spence
- 5:30 Training for in-coming Committee Leaders
(Parlor)

Friday, Dec. 4

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study (Frist)
- 5:00 Parents' Night Out (until 9 p.m.)

Sunday, Dec. 6

- 9:00 Christmas Mission Market (Foyer)
- 11:00 Worship-Baptism
- 12:00 Further Conversation in the Parlor
- 5:30 PYC

HOLIDAY MUSIC EVENTS

Directed by Terry D. Maddox, M.M.
Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries

Dec 1&3 A Glorious Christmas!

The Eastern Shore Choral Society will perform Antonio Vivaldi's *Gloria*, Tues. and Thurs., at 7:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Fairhope.

Dec 6 Sounds of Christmas from the Hill

Spring Hill College Chorale will perform Christmas favorites on Sunday at 5:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Chapel.

Dec 13 Children's Christmas Pageant *"Carrying the Light"*

Sunday Supper in Fellowship Hall at 5:00 p.m. The Pageant begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Dec 14 Messiah! Concert/Sing-Along

Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Fairhope United Methodist Church. Bring your score!

Dec 15 Annual Christmas Concert

The Greater Mobile Bay Area Choral Society concert will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday at Spring Hill College's St. Joseph Chapel. The concert will feature John Rutter's *Magnificat* and a special performance by the Boys & Girls Club Honors Choir.

Dec 20 Lessons and Carols Worship Service at Government Street

9:30 a.m. — Brunch in Fellowship Hall
10:45 a.m. — Concert Service

Dec 24 Candlelight Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. — Pre-service Music
5:30 p.m. — Communion Service