

Exercise Your Faith and Your Mind in 2009

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS:

JOIN A BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDY!

Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman
January 14–April 1
Beth Moore, popular Bible study leader, provides an in-depth and very personal examination of this great story of threat and deliverance. If you've ever felt inadequate, threatened, or pushed into situations that seemed overpowering, this is the study for you.

Just as it was tough being a woman in Esther's day, it is tough today. Beth peels back the layers of history and shows how very contemporary and applicable the story of Esther is to us. This portion of God's Word contains treasures to aid us in our hurried, harried, and pressured lives.

This 10-week interactive study led by Pastor Jennifer features personal daily assignments and weekly group sessions, with video presentations by Beth Moore. The series begins Wednesday, Jan 14 and continues through April 1. Meet in Room 101 at 7:30pm; child care will be available upon request.

A sign-up for the study and child care will be up in the narthex soon. Participants Books are available at any Life Way store; the nearest store is on I-10 in the Rim Shopping Center.

Invite a girlfriend to join you and come along as we study God's Word together in a world where "it's tough being a woman!"

OPENING THE BOOK OF FAITH

Pastor-Led Class Begins in January
The 2007 ELCA churchwide assembly voted to embrace a five-year initiative called "Book of Faith." Pastor Schulte was a participant at this assembly. The vision for this five-year initiative is:

That the whole church become more fluent in the first language of faith, the language of Scripture, in order that we might live into our calling as a people renewed, enlivened, empowered, and sent by the Word.

In keeping with this plan, the pastors will lead a Sunday morning Adult class on the Book of Faith from Jan 4–Feb 22. The class meets at 9:30am in Room 202, upstairs in the Family Life Center. An elevator will be available. Come and join us as we begin our exploration Opening the Book of Faith!

OTHER BIBLE STUDIES AND PRAYER GROUPS

Groups meet in members' homes, except as noted. Contact the person listed or the church office.

- **Ruth Circle** in Fellowship Hall, 7:30pm, 3rd Monday
- **Dorcas Circle** FLC Room 101 at 9:45am, 2nd Tuesday
- **MOM: Mothers of Munchkins** Bible study & playgroup Wed, 9:30am in Toddler Nursery. Sheila McMahan (skmcmahan@sbcglobal.net 695-5186) or Pastor Jennifer.
- **Walk Through the Bible** meets every Wed, 7:00pm. Tess Clark.
- **Mary Circle** meets the 1st Thursday of each month, 1:30pm.
- **Women of the Old Testament** meets the 3rd Thursday at 10:30am in FLC 101.
- **Young Couples** group meets on the 3rd Friday. Mollie Stavenger or Pastor Jen.
- **Prayer Team** meets every Saturday morning, 9:00 in FLC Room 101.

ACE:

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday morning at 9:30

- **GROWING IN CHRIST** led by Amy & David Walter. Adult study that parallels the lessons taught in children's Sunday School. For all adults. 9:30am in Fellowship Hall.

NEW MEMBER REUNION

Sunday, January 11 at 9:30

Calling all members who joined Zion in 2008! Since joining, you have had the opportunity to see what Zion is doing for the mission of Christ's work - bringing the light and life of Christ to more and more people. Maybe you have questions about Zion - or have things you would like to share:

- What is the E-Team?
- How can my teenager get involved in a mission trip?
- Can I join the Zion Zippers?
- What small group activities are available?
- Where is the Prayer Garden?
- What can we do better as a congregation?
- How has the church changed over the past 100 years?
- What is Zion's mission?
- How can I share in Zion's vision for the future?

Please join us for a time of sharing, fellowship and (of course!) refreshments, from 9:30 to 10:30 on Sunday, Jan 11 in the Family Life Center

ZION COOKBOOK 2009 ISSUE

It has been nearly twenty years since a Zion cookbook was published. Shirley Jonas has graciously taken on this task for 2009. Join her in an organizational meeting on Jan 8, at 7:00pm in the Baby Nursery.

Contact Shirley at 680-6867 or sajonas@sbcglobal.net.

WOMEN OF ZION

by Barbara Galland & LaVonne Pederson

January Women's Bible Study

"Women of the Old Testament"

meets on the third Thursday of every month at 10:30am. All women are invited to join us in Family Life Center Room 101 for the next study on January 15 at 10:30am.

Jan 10 Saturday Quilt Sewing for LWR

Meet on Saturday mornings in the Fellowship Hall* at 9:00am. Lutheran World Relief collects tied quilts from congregations around the country. These are "rough and ready" quilts made quickly from large pieces. Quilts will be used for warmth, for room dividers, for hammocks, for shelter and more.

Bring your own machine if you like.

* *Some weeks are in Family Life Center Room 101 at 10:00 - check the Zion calendar or call Barb Galland, 695-8497.*

Spring LWR Collection

Each year, WOZ collects items for kits to be sent to Lutheran World Relief, which distributes the kits where needed. Kits include sewing supplies, infant layettes, health & hygiene supplies and more. Watch for a list of kit requirements, and start collecting bars of soap.

LWR Trucks at Zion in April

Lutheran churches from all over southwest Texas bring their quilts and LWR Kits to Zion. Boxes will need to be loaded into two semi-trucks that day, during the week after Easter. Watch for details on time and exact date.

Women's Christmas Tea Thanks

Thanks to everyone who made the Tea so successful. Each hostess made their guests feel welcome and right at home. Everyone appreciated the beautifully decorated tables. It was a very pretty sight.

Special thanks to Pastor Jen and Karen Stein for getting it started and all their follow up work besides. Thanks to everyone who helped and participated. Thanks to everyone who came and gave money and/or physical offerings too. The New Life Treatment Center will be very pleased with the gifts.

Christian
Assistance
Ministry
CORNER

by Herman Bockstegge

CAM volunteer work has greatly influenced my life. After retiring, I decided to do something for others, so I volunteered to help at the CAM station on DeZavala & Vance Jackson streets.

My work is primarily giving out food or clothing to men only. Other volunteers help in the women's section, in the office, or in sorting donations. All the volunteers at CAM are very dedicated people who devote their time to helping others, either in giving food, clothing and in certain circumstances, financial assistance.

The volunteer work is very rewarding to me, as I always think that maybe I could be in the same circumstances someday. I always give the receiver a Christian blessing and send them on their way.

You too can volunteer at CAM by contacting their Volunteer Coordinator, Pastor J.D. Kyle at 222-1553 or camministry@yahoo.com.

Zion continuously collects food and clothing items for CAM. You can drop off small loads at the church on Sundays or during the week in our mailroom next to the Toddler Nursery.

FRIENDS 'N FAITH

There's much more to Zion than Sunday mornings. Friends 'N Faith groups provide a set of ready-to-meet friends with interests similar to yours. Find out more from the people listed, or from the church office.

New Group!

SOCIABLE SINGLES (50+)

A New Year, a new group forming just for you! Come and join the Sociable Singles, created for age 50+ single men and women interested in participating in various social activities throughout the month.

The first "meet and greet" is on Friday, Jan 16 at 7:00pm in Zion's Family Life Center Room 101. Invite your friends and gather for a good time of fellowship, food, and fun!

Please RSVP to the church office (688-3090 or zion@zionhelotes.org) by Sunday, Jan 11.

For more information, contact DeAnna Johnson (684-4194) or Pat Bangart (695-6100).

- **MOM: Mothers of Munchkins**
Moms and kids meet in the Toddler Nursery to play and pray! Current Bible study is "Mom to Mom: Growing Together." Wednesdays at 9:30am. Sheila McMahan skmcmahan@sbcglobal.net or 695-5186
- **Young Married Couples**
Get together on the 3rd Friday of each month for Bible study, food and fellowship. Couples take turns hosting evenings in their homes. Contact Mollie Stavenger, 896-1562 or mkstavenger@gmail.com.
- **Z-POP:**
Zion Parents withOUT Partners
Events for single parents and their families. Katja Ierome, 771-7866 or katja_amani@yahoo.com



Our Church Family

- **Ladies Dinner & Movie**
1st Monday at 6:30pm at Applebee's, then a movie at the Silverado Theater. Jo Ann Meinert at jomeinert@earthlink.net.
- **Dinner Out**
Dinner Out is adults who enjoy dining out at local restaurants. Try a place you've never been before, new food, new culture. Meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Contact the Cools (520-7910 kcool@sbc.rr.net) or the Chillstroms (771-7573 chillstrom@sbcglobal.net) if you have a restaurant suggestion.
On Jan 17, the group will meet at BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse, address 22410 Hwy 281, north of Loop 1604. BJ's offers an eclectic American menu. RSVP to the Chillstroms (above).
- **Amiable Assemblers**
Put together bulletins every Friday at 1:00pm, and newsletters once a month. Dorothy Rode, 681-5997 and Sonja Shimkus, 277-0413.
- **Mah Jongg**
Learn and play this Asian tile game with Pat Bangart, 695-6100. Meets in members' homes.
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry**
Meets on the 1st Monday afternoon at 1:00pm in the Baby Nursery. Dorothy Rode, 681-5997.
- **Game Groups**
Card & domino games, 1st Monday afternoon at 1:00pm, 4th Monday evening with early supper at 3:30 Golden Corral. Alaine Perry, 695-4422.

HONDURAS MISSION TRIP TEAM

Pastor Jennifer Gold along with her friend and missionary Grace Spell from World Indigenous Missions will take a mission team to Honduras, June 6-13. After prayerfully and thoughtfully looking over the applications, these twelve people, in addition to the leaders, were selected to serve as missionary representatives from Zion Lutheran Church:

Kathy & Rob Rothen

The Farley Family: Bill, Michelle,

Kaitlyn, and Hannah

Carol & Donn Carmichael

Marlena Guerra and Cassie Guerra

John Parsons

Linnell Sloan-Brewton

With a dream of making this a multigenerational trip, we have a person representing every decade from age 10 to 60 going on this trip! We will stay and minister at a girls orphanage in Yamaranguila. We will also participate in the village feeding programs and do encouragement ministry in the local churches.

This will be a transformational experience for the team, and for the congregation. Each team member assembles a personal prayer team and financial support team. You can be part of our teams by supporting these missionaries with your prayers and/or donations. When you contribute to a missionary's outreach, you reach those who will be touched by the love of God!

If you are excited about the prospect of mission work, even from your own home, please help support this trip. The total cost of each missionary's trip is \$1,300. You can send a check payable to *World Indigenous Missions* 2409 Lifehaus Industrial Drive New Braunfels, TX 78130.

Write "Zion Lutheran Church Mission Team" on the "Memo" line so they know who you are supporting. You will receive a tax-deductible receipt.

Together, may we all work to fulfill Christ's Great Commission to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matt. 28:19-20).

JUST 4 YOUTH!

ALL YOUTH

Open Gym and Sunday Night Live

Both Resume January 4

Open Gym and SNL (Sunday Night Live) are returning after the Christmas holiday break. Come on out to the FLC at 5:00pm to hang out, play basketball, volleyball, or any other type of game and have a great time.

Then, at 6:00pm, we will move into our separate groups and take part in some fun Bible studies.

If you're a first-timer, make sure you have a 2008-2009 medical release form, or your parent needs to stay.

Basketball Blitz

January brings the annual San Antonio Lutheran Youth Co-Ed Basketball Blitz. Everyone meets at Abiding Presence LC (off Hwy 281) on

Sunday afternoons between 1:00 and 4:00; exact schedule to be announced. Each church puts up a middle school team and a high school team for a friendly game. Save your Sunday afternoons on these dates

- January 11
- January 18
- January 25

and watch for more info.

Director of Youth Ministries
 Travis Baker
 Church Office 688-3090 ext. 206
tbaker@zionhelotes.org

CONFIRMATION

Full Schedule below

Confirmation Classes

Both morning and evening classes resume on Sunday, Jan 4. Come out ready to take part in all the exciting events for the second half of the school year.

No evening class on Jan 25.

Large Group Service Event

Throughout the month of January, we will be hosting a congregation-wide coat drive. Then, on Saturday, Jan 24, we will meet at Zion, put together some sack lunches and head down-



town to hand out both the lunches and the clothes to the homeless population of San Antonio.

BAPTISMS

Welcome to the family of Zion!

- Scott Slade McKinney, baptized Nov 23.
- Olivia Bailey Colt Chapman, baptized Nov 30.
- Cooper Riley Krumbholz, baptized Dec 7.
- James Wesley Fuller, baptized Dec 14.

HOSPITALIZED MEMBERS

- Dorothy Hagan
- Amber Moody
- Anissa Moore
- Mary Mora
- Jenny Nussbaum
- Bob Usher

IN SYMPATHY

Our prayers and condolences go to:

- ✘ Kerry Flowers and family upon the loss of her father, Richard Evans.
- ✘ The family and friends of Martha Hicks
- ✘ The family and friends of Viola Gonzalez

May God's promise of the resurrection offer you comfort in this time of sorrow.

THANK YOU TO

...Willie McQuien for repairing the plant stand in the sanctuary.

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Morning Lesson (9:30)

Evening Lesson (6:00)

January

4	Annunciation, Magi, Birth of Jesus	Culture of Jesus' Time
11	Jesus' Nazareth Sermon	Wilderness Temptations
18	Beatitudes	Jesus Calls the First Disciples
24	<i>Service Event: Distribute Coats & Lunches Under the Bridge</i>	
25	Service Event Debrief	No evening class

MUSIC REHEARSALS**Youth Choir (Middle & High School)**

Sunday 4:30pm
 Music Apse
Lindsay Ackels

Handbells

Tuesday 6:30pm
 Sanctuary Balcony (upstairs)
David Thamm 670-0643

Men's Choir

Tuesday 7:30pm
 Sanctuary Choir Loft
David Thamm 670-0643

Adult Choir

Wednesday 7:00pm
 Music Apse
David Thamm 670-0643

Brass Group

Wednesday 8:15pm
 Sanctuary Choir Loft
David Thamm 670-0643

Children's Choir (Grades 2-5)

Thursday 5:30pm
 Music Apse
Carrie Jasso 509-0423

Praise Team

Thursday 7:00pm
 Sanctuary Choir Loft
Scott Lassiter 913-4331

Woodwinds

Rehearsals scheduled as needed.
 Contact Elyse (below)
Elyse Hearn 520-4436

Zion Music Academy

Private instrument instruction in trumpet, flute, piano and guitar for children youth and adults. Beginner and intermediate lessons available to all members of the community, as well as Zion. Twenty-minute lessons are \$10 per session, and half-hour lessons are \$15. Contact the instructors below to schedule:

- Flute: Elyse Hearn 520-4436
- Guitar: Seth Greco 695-9683

MUSIC MINISTRY UPDATE

by Pastor Dave Schulte

It's wonderful to see how folks have stepped up to help out with each of our music positions. The phrase "God will provide" certainly applies in this case! Kim Olsen is serving as interim organist. Dave Thamm is conducting our adult choir and brass group, and Tim Stavenger is accompanying the Praise Team. A huge thank you to these amazing people who have so graciously jumped right in to leading our music ministry in the meantime until we can find a permanent position.

We were blessed to have Scott Lassiter begin worshipping with us the very week we needed his skills the most. Scott and his wife, Rena just moved to San Antonio with the military. He has led worship bands in the Air Force prior to coming to Zion and was looking forward to worshipping in a Lutheran church that finally had contemporary worship. Our thanks to Scott for offering his talent and leadership as part of Zion's music leadership team.

A word of thanks as well to Lindsay Ackels, a former member of Zion who lives across town now, who offered to help with our Youth Choir. Lindsay is a trained and respected choral conductor and voice coach.

And a big thank you to Carrie Jasso for stepping in to help the Children's Choir continue on until we could find someone with a background in children's music. We are all most grateful to all of these folks, and to everyone who is going the extra mile right now to keep Zion's music programs, not only functioning, but thriving!

The Council has formed a search team to pursue a new music director. The position has been posted on the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians and American Guild of Organists websites, along with some of our Lutheran seminaries and colleges. We are already receiving applications from some very qualified musicians. It will be exciting and challenging to go through the interview process.



Karen Stein, Director of Christian Education kstein@zionhelotes.org

ZAP: ZION ACTION PACK

Planning Meeting & Pot Luck Brunch
 Children between the ages of 3 and 11 are invited to participate in ZAP events. To make ZAP events successful, parents and other adults are needed to help plan and carry out these events.

The 2009 planning meeting is on Jan 17 at 10:00am in Room 101 of the Family Life Center. Bring your favorite breakfast or brunch dish to share.

NURSERY

If you like helping with small children, then volunteering in the nursery might be the place for you. Contact Laura Schlesinger, 681-6567 or lschlesinger@satx.rr.com

EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES IN 2009

January begins with the Epiphany of our Lord, the time when we spread the wonderful news of Jesus' birth to the entire world. It would be a wonderful time to invite a friend, neighbor or family member to join you at church.

After the Christmas break, Children's Sunday school begins again on Jan 4 at 9:30. Zion's youngest members will learn about Jesus' early life, his baptism and the beginning of his ministry.

Adults have the opportunity to study the same stories with Amy & David Walter at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. This class continues through the school year. Alternatively, the pastors are offering an eight-week series on "The Book of Faith" on Sunday mornings at 9:30, upstairs in the Family Life Center. Pastor Jennifer is offering a Wednesday night Beth Moore Bible Study on Esther. See the front page for details on these and other Bible study opportunities.

More Adult Education classes are coming in the Spring. Later in the summer, an intergenerational program is planned. Travel back in time to visit with God's people.

The Zion Zippers meet on the 2nd Monday of each month in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm. All who are 50 years or older (and their significant others) are invited to join and participate in the activities. A potluck supper is shared at 6:30pm, followed by a business meeting and program.



Jan 12 hosts will be Linnell & Dave Brewton and Sonja Shimkus. The program will be "Hats!" with everyone wearing a crazy, unusual, weird, dressy, or non-descript hat. Of course, these will be created by the wearer. with the "best" of male and female entrants being judged and awarded prizes in each category. It's gonna be a crazy night, you can be sure. Y'all come!

Zippers' December Meeting Review by Dorothy Rode

Although the parking lot was bathed in darkness (Pastor Dave explained that the lighting system wire was not a tasty lunch for one poor uninformed squirrel), Zippers found their way into the warm light of the Fellowship Hall and a friendly atmosphere. Warm greetings and smiling faces, together with the pleasant aroma of home-cooked vittles—now that's something to look forward to. There were old faces and new as Bev Rosel greeted all, introducing and welcoming visitors and new members as well as those who hadn't been for a while. Reports about those who could not be there due to illness or infirmity were given. Birthdays and anniversaries were celebrated.

Bev joyfully reported that Herman Roy had agreed to co-chair with her in the coming year (thanks, Herman!) and other officers would continue to serve. Joanne Harris agreed to be card chairperson. A program chair-

person is still needed.

Hosts for this night were Shirley Jonas, Kay Morris, Eddie and Gloria Anderson, Florine and Myrtle Nickel, Jim and Debbie Rennert. Christmas angels decorated the tables. Ham and turkey was furnished by the treasury again, and Pastor Jennifer led the table prayer before we all enjoyed the potluck meal. Good seasoned cooks abound among us 50+ members! In true Christmas spirit, the S.A. Food bank was gifted with \$100 from the treasury, leaving a balance on hand of \$13. Then came the evening's program: BUNCO! Led by Evelyn Shaw and Marilyn Toepperwein, about 14 tables of players had a rousing good time counting those 6's.

HEALTH NOTES

Rhonda Knisley

Do you make a New Year's resolution every year just to break it by January 4? You need a plan for success. Your resolution may be too general.

- Instead of vowing to lose weight, for example, be very precise. Specify the amount of weight you will lose in a defined time period and the measures you will take to accomplish this.
- Be reasonable when you decide on your goals. Unrealistic goals will set you up for failure. For example, you will probably not lose 50 pounds in two weeks.
- Find a friend with a similar resolution and provide support for each other.
- Keep a journal of your progress. Evaluate your progress on a regular basis and adjust your plan to accomplish your goal whenever necessary.
- Make your resolution because you are ready for the challenge, not to try to please someone else.

Have a Happy and Healthy New Year!

ADVENTURE TRAVEL

All are invited to join the Adventure Travel Group on these excursions.

Contact Shirley Jonas (680-6867 or sajonas@sbcglobal.net) about these trips:

Feb 19	Bald Eagle Vanishing River Cruise
Mar 7-12	Western Caribbean Cruise
Mar 29-Apr 4	New Orleans
Apr 23	USS Lexington
June 11-15	Palo Duro Canyon, Santa Fe & Ruidoso NM
June 21-28	Mexican Riviera Cruise
July 25-Aug 1	Hawaiian Island Cruise
Aug 8-19	Alaska Cruise & Denali Land Tour
Oct 12-25	Mediterranean, Greece & Turkey Cruise
<i>2010</i>	
Jan 10-17	Eastern Caribbean Cruise
Sept 4-19	Austria, Switzerland & Oberammergau

Contact Brigitte Koehler about these trips, 520-0736 or travel-with-brigitte@juno.com:

Apr 14-20	Branson in Spring
Apr 24-May 2	Copper Canyon Adventure
May 7	Painted Churches, Schulenburg Day Trip
May 15-25	Niagara Falls, Toronto Bus
July 24-30	San Francisco & Tahoe
Aug 7-17	Amish Country & Philadelphia
Sept 5-13	Rushmore & Black Hills of SD Bus Tour
Oct 9-16	New England Fall Foliage
Nov 3-9	Branson Christmas
Nov 27-Dec 4	Alpine Christmas
<i>2010</i>	
Aug 24-Sept 4	Heart of Europe & Passion Play in Oberammergau
Sept 3-14	Heart of Europe & Passion Play in Oberammergau

CARDS & LETTERS

Dear Friends in Christ,
 I want to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for the love and kindness shown to me in the recent diagnosis of my health. Also for the cards, visits, phone calls, food and for the many trips back and forth to the doctor. You have been so kind and gracious in helping out Keith and me. Special thanks for the many prayers that were and are being offered for me. Words can't begin to tell you how grateful we are for them. We know they work. Thanks to Pastor Dave for our visits and to Pastor Jennifer for the phone calls.

A lady wrote me a letter and reminded me "Remember you are never, ever alone." I hold onto these words.
Joyce Deer

CHRISTMAS CHILD THANK YOU

It is heartbreaking reality. Millions of boys and girls around the globe live in difficult circumstances and are in desperate need of hope. Whether they are slum dwellers in Calcutta or orphans in Johannesburg, children long to know they are loved.

Zion has made a difference in 130 children's lives some where in the world this past Christmas. These simple gifts help to open the door to introduce children and their families to Jesus Christ. Local believers follow up with evangelistic programs and many precious boys and girls later receive Jesus as their Savior. It is an overwhelming joy to me to know Zion has made an impact in 130 children's lives in countries where we are unable to go. I am amazed to know how God can use a small gift-your gift-to touch a child's heart! May God bless you in your giving.
Vivian Hand

P.S. We made our goal of 130 boxes. YEAH!

INVESTMENT REPORT

• **General Fund**

Giving Goal for Nov 08 \$68,536
 Actual Contrib Nov 08 \$73,453
 Giving Goal Jan-Nov 08 ... \$771,718
 Actual Contrib Jan-Nov 08 . \$744,727
 YTD Difference -\$26,991
 2007 Nov Actual Contrib. \$65,084

• **Building Fund**

Nov 08 Income \$22,977
 BF cash on hand \$73,931

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Year to date average 2008 624
 YTD average 2007 648

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: UPDATE

Building for the Future

Beginning Year Two

We may not be allowed to set off bottle rockets this New Year's Eve, but we can certainly celebrate our progress as we ring in 2009, the beginning of the second year of our three-year **UNDER CONSTRUCTION** Stewardship program. This program, which started in November 2007, lays the foundation for new possibilities for Christ's mission by eliminating Zion's \$1.1 million debt for the Family Life Center. Here's our progress!

Total amount given through Nov 2008 \$459,832

Balance remaining on Family Life Center Loan as of Nov 15 \$747,883

Thank you for your continued, faithful giving! We will continue to bring you information on how we are doing throughout the year.

God's work through our hands, for the sake of the world

CHURCH STAFF

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2009 CHURCH COUNCIL

Suzi Lockamy	President
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Brett Kraemer	
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Council meetings are 3rd Tuesday of each month. Minutes are posted on kiosk in narthex.

COORDINATORS

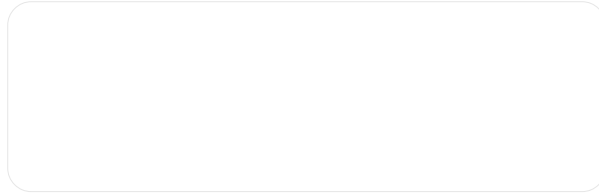
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Position Open	9:30 Ushers
Sarah Nichols	11:00 Ushers
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Pat Bangart	Welcome Center
Amy & David Walter	Adult Education
Bev Rosel	Zion Zippers (50+)
Algine Perry	Game Group
Bonnie Harrell	Z-Bee Quilters
Jimmy Weimer	Cemetery Board
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 the preceding Wednesday
 February CONNECTIONS
 is NOON on Friday, Jan

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Kids of the Kingdom Dayschool
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COAT COLLECTION FOR HOMELESS

Confirmation Service Project

Zion youth are collecting coats and winter clothes through Jan 24. On that Saturday, they will pack up sack lunches in the Family Life Center and head downtown to hand out both the lunches and the clothes to the homeless population of San Antonio, "under the bridge."

You can participate both in the coat collection and distribution. Clean out your own closets, and ask your friends and family for clean, unneeded and out-grown coats and jackets. Bring them to the collection box in the narthex by Friday, Jan 23 (before 3:00). To help give the food and clothing to the people downtown,

come to the FLC at 10:00am on Saturday, Jan 24, or contact Youth Director Travis Baker (tbaker@zionhelotes.org, 688-3090 x 206).

