

# Blue River Church of Christ

January 10, 2010

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### Contact Information

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### Worship Times

**Sunday**  
Bible Study 9 am  
Morning Worship 10 am  
**Evening Worship 5 pm**  
**Wednesday**  
Bible Study 7 pm

### Elders

Earl Fultz  
Russ Simmons  
Jan Sullivan

### Deacons

Gary Bledsoe, Worship  
Ben Church, Missions  
David Foster, Grounds  
Darren Herrmann, Stewardship  
Mike Peerson, Evangelism

### Pulpit Minister

Darin Kennedy

Statistics for Jan. 3, 2010:	Attendance	132
	Contribution	\$4,955.50

### Downtown Church of Christ Pantry

Bar soap, deodorant, lotion, baby wipes, dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, toilet paper, applesauce, jello, canned milk, popcorn, toothpaste, peanut butter, jelly, rice, and ramen noodles, coats, hats, gloves, & scarves for women, men & children.

(Please leave all donations in the office.)

**Prayer Warriors** are waiting to hear from you. This group of caring people will pray for you and your request. Place a note in the "Prayer Warrior" box, or go to the BRCC website and leave a message. You may remain anonymous. Don't carry that burden alone. Let the power of prayer work in your life.

**Sunday Evening**

**Zechariah 6**

Momentum? I wish.

The Chiefs beat the Broncos last week, and one reporter asked the stupid question, "Do you feel like you have momentum going into next season?" Momentum? For next season? Are you crazy? How could anyone call a win followed by 7 months of rest "momentum"? To me, the question revealed one of our greatest desires—momentum. I myself yearn for the ability to get better and better, to add onto yesterday's accomplishments with another victory today, but it never seems to work out for me.

Whenever I am ready for things to get "on a roll," interruptions occur. I'll speak from a preacher's perspective. Last month, we had over 200 in attendance December 6, 13, and 20. What would you think would have happened the Sunday after Christmas on the 27<sup>th</sup>? 210? 220? Maybe more? What a way to finish the year and move into 2010...with...a...snowstorm.

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### Order of Worship

<i>Welcome</i>	Darin Kennedy
<i>Prayer</i>	Bill Brotherton
<i>Scripture</i>	Doug Davenport Isaiah 11:1-10  "Above All" #288 "Fairest Lord Jesus" "Mended and Whole"
<i>Lord's Supper</i>	Jordan Sikes, Presiding
<i>The Bread</i> <i>The Cup</i>	"Worthy Lord"
<i>Giving</i>	#292 "All Rise" #96 "I Stand in Awe" #162 "All Hail the Power of Jesus" Name"
<i>Power Kids</i>	
<i>Lesson</i>	Darin Kennedy "The Case for Christ: The Messiah"
<i>Invitation</i>	#19 "Come, Thou Almighty King"
<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i>	Russ Simmons
<i>Final Reading</i>	Luke 19:38

## ***In Need of Prayers***

Please pray for the following: **Louise Pulliam** has returned to the Villages at Jackson Creek for rehabilitation, 3980 Jackson Drive, Independence, MO 64057; **Wilma Edwards** is recovering from surgery; **Beverly Campbell** has been diagnosed with macular degeneration in both eyes; our deepest sympathy and prayers are with **Bill Fuhr** in the death of his brother.

## ***Please Note***

**January 10** – Starting this evening, services at the building will begin at 5:00 p.m. instead of 6:00 p.m..

## ***Upcoming Events***

### **Teen Bible Study**

**January 11** (Monday) The Bible study/devo will be held at the **building** for the month of January from 7 to 9:00 PM. Come and invite your friends!

### **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Unity Service**

**January 31** (Sunday evening) We will worship with area congregations at the Downtown Church of Christ at 6:00 PM.

### **Inclement Weather Procedures**

As the snow and ice season is upon us, please note the service cancelation procedures. Sunday morning and all-Sunday service cancelations will be made through the “One Call Now” phone call early Sunday morning. Sunday night only cancelations will be announced in the morning service. If the Lee’s Summit School District cancels school on a Wednesday, the Wednesday evening service will be canceled unless you are contacted otherwise.

Birthdays: Dec. 27 – Jan. 9

*Nate Mace 1/11*

*Wes Capell, Darren Herrmann, & Jim Strobe 1/14*

*Bill Endicott & Mary Weddle 1/15*

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I’ll speak from a health perspective. I am ready for a new year of increased physical health. Last year was pretty good for me. I ate well, and I exercised regularly, so I figured I’ll enjoy the holiday, get back on the good stuff after all the celebrating. But after the holiday interruption, do you think it’s easy to put down the chips and the sweets to take up the fruit, yogurt, and salad again? I’ve lost the momentum.

I bet we could all speak from a spiritual perspective. How hard is it to get the daily Bible reading schedule set, when the book has lain for so long unread on the bedside table? You’re good for one week, but something messes up the schedule, you forget the next day, then you just don’t think about it. How nice it would be if we could get better each day, start January 1 in the spiritual dumps and end December 31 with ecstatic joy with a steady climb in between? Nope, there are always interruptions.

Rather than focusing on the circumstances that keep and increase momentum, perhaps a better quality of character to engender is the ability to get back up again after falling down. Momentum will not always be available, but a tenacious character will always have a place. Interruptions, both externally produced and self-inflicted, are bound to occur, and perseverance is the only quality that can prevent our losing what we have attained and give us hope for increase.

The value of interruptions is that they cause you to re-evaluate what you have attained. If you value health, then that prognosis from the doctor might destroy you. If you value possessions, then the stock market might shame you. If you value work, then those lay-offs might completely discourage you. But if you value forgiveness, patience, and friendship, these are always available in increasing measure.

—Darin Kennedy

### ***Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants***

Jan. 10	Jessica House & Jessica Herrington
Jan. 17	Virginia Page, Tammy & Seth Walker