

# Welcome to “Wyoming” in the name of Jesus Christ

You are welcome here! We pray that God uses this time of worship to bless your heart and bring you closer to himself. If you have any questions about God, the service, or our church, our pastors would be more than happy to speak with you at your convenience.

**Bagels & Coffee** – At any time while you’re here, please help yourself to the bagels and coffee in the Welcome Room. (Adults, feel free to take water or coffee into the service, but we ask that children keep all food and drink in the Welcome Room.)

## The Order of Our Service

- Worship in Song
- Opening Prayer and Offering
- Worship in Song
- Announcements and Greeting Time
  - Children dismissed to “Living Inside Out”*
- Scripture Reading and Message
- Worship in Song

# Announcements

**SUPPLIES FOR PASTOR DANIEL** – Pastor Daniel is heading to Cameroon this Friday, December 7. He’d like to be able to take various school and personal items with him as gifts in the villages he will visit. Please see Pastor Daniel or Pastor Lou and find out how you can help!

**CHRISTMAS TOY SALE** – To help families in need provide toys for their children at Christmas, we will be holding our annual toy sale December 13-15. You are encouraged to donate new toys for the sale – please bring them in next Sunday, December 9. For more information, call Elsie Centeno at (267) 307-0907.

**CHILDREN’S CHOIR** – Wyoming is partnering with Church of the Saviour’s kids choir in a special Christmas musical. Rehearsals are each Sunday at 9:30 am. Performances will be on December 15 and 16. Any questions, please see or call Debby Crockett.



As Christmas approaches, we celebrate the season of “Advent,” which means “coming” – the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, God’s greatest gift to the world. Jesus is the Father’s “Love Gift” to his children

To help relieve the financial distress of the church, a special

**Christmas Love Gift Offering** will be given on Christmas Eve. We want to see the entire congregation respond with thanksgiving to God’s love for us by joining together in sacrificial giving so that the work of the church may continue and that God’s Kingdom would grow in this place.

Over and above our regular tithes and offerings, let us join together to faithfully support our local church, and complete what we have promised to our pastors and our missionaries for this year. Please take time to prepare, spiritually and financially, so that we will be able to rejoice together at the generosity and faithfulness of God’s people.

## ministry team

Senior Pastor  
**Rev. Luis Centeno**  
(267) 307-6756

Assistant Pastor **Rev. Daniel Ndimantang** (215) 324-2260

Children’s Ministry	<b>Debby Crockett</b>	(215) 288-3580
Youth & Worship	<b>Walt Rice, Jr.</b>	(215) 820-0165
Food Cupboard	<b>Mary Rice</b>	(215) 455-0213

Board of Deacons	<b>Walt Rice, Jr.</b>	(215) 820-0165
Board of Trustees	<b>George Parcell</b>	(215) 342-4804
Board of Missions	<b>Mary Ann Hinchcliff</b>	(610) 966-9408

## this week @ wyoming

### TODAY

- 9:30 am – Kids Choir Rehearsal**
- 9:30 am – Adult Sunday School**  
in the first floor classroom
- 9:45 am – Homebuilders**
- 9:45 am – Teen Sunday School**

### **10:45 am – Worship Service**

Nursery available for infants through 3 years  
**“Living Inside Out”**  
children’s ministry

Children should begin the service with their parents, and will be dismissed before the greeting time.

### TUESDAY

**Women’s Fellowship**  
7 pm, at Elsie’s house  
(no childcare provided)

### WEDNESDAY

**After-School Program**, 3-5 pm  
grades 1-4, at the church  
**Second Mile Men**  
7 pm at Pastor Lou’s house

### FRIDAY

**AGAPE Fellowship** – see Pastor Lou  
**Prayer** – 6:30 pm at the church  
**Youth Group** – 7 pm at the church

## upcoming events

**Christmas Toy Sale for Needy Families**  
December 13-15 – See Elsie Centeno for more info

**Children’s Christmas Musical**  
Saturday, December 15 – at Church of the Saviour  
Sunday, December 16 – **at Wyoming, 6:00 pm**

**Christmas Eve Service**  
Monday, December 24, 7:00 pm

**New Year’s Eve Fellowship**  
Monday, December 31, 7:00 pm until midnight!

“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the LORD Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.”

Malachi 3:10 (NIV)

## sermon notes

### The Grace of Giving: The Basis of Blessing

Malachi 3:7-15

#### I. A Moral Restoration

1. Repentance
2. Obedience

#### II. A Material Restitution

1. Place
2. Proportion
3. Purpose

#### III. A Miraculous Realization

1. Faith
2. Foes
3. Fruitfulness

## Our Mission

To Disciple and Equip God’s People to Serve

## Our Vision

To see God’s people actively involved in  
– Worship – Discipleship & Being Equipped – Service

## giving update

	<u>YTD Giving</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
General Fund	\$60,680	\$77,400	– \$16,720
Missions Fund	\$10,706	\$12,650	– \$1,944
Building Fund	\$11,995	\$12,650	– \$655

(all numbers are year-to-date for 2007)

## Worldwide Missionary Support

### OUR LOCAL MISSIONARIES

Rev. and Mrs. Daniel and Rose Ndimantang  
Rev. and Mrs. David “Coz” and Joyce Crosscombe  
Mr. and Mrs. Maher and Jen Salhani

### INDIVIDUAL MISSIONARIES

Miss Vicky Beattie, Zambia, Africa (SIM)  
Rev. Jack Cordell, Race Track Ministries, Philadelphia (ABC)  
Rev. and Mrs. Thomas and Sharon Huckel, Hananeel House, Philadelphia  
Rev. and Mrs. Duthene Joseph, Haiti (UFM)  
Rev. and Mrs. Barry Owen, Taiwan (CBI)  
Miss Rebekah Poteat, Togo, West Africa (ABWE)

### PHILADELPHIA INSTITUTIONS

Alpha Pregnancy Services – Good Shepherd Ministry (ABC)  
Grace Settlement House (BCM) – Whosoever Gospel Mission

### OTHER INSTITUTIONS & MISSIONS ORGANIZATIONS

Anadarko Christian Center (ABC) – Pocket Testament League  
Christ's Home For Children – Christ's Home For the Aged  
Kodiak Baptist Mission (ABC) – Mission Aviation Fellowship  
Murrow Indian Children's Home (ABC)

# 1st Sunday of Advent

## Sunday, December 2, 2007



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