

Mothering Matters

MOPS of Community Covenant Church ~ Growing Moms for Growing Children ~ Vol. 1 Issue 5 ~ February 2005

Next Year's Steering Team is recruiting! (just the job you've been looking for!)

As children hit kindergarten and moms move to warmer climates, the MOPS Steering Team opens up for new MOPS to join the ranks.

We are looking for some energetic, God-loving moms to help minister to the needs of our MOPS group.

Service on the leadership team is truly a fun and rewarding volunteer opportunity. And the perks are fantastic. In addition to getting to have adult conversations about meaningful and important topics (kids! parenting! service! ministry! friendships! crafts!) you also get to work closely with an amazing group of women.

There are seven core positions on the MOPS Steering Team. Listed are the positions that are available, including new "assistant" positions.

🔑 **Coordinator*** and assistant coordinator

- 🔑 **MOPPETS** Team Leader and assistant
- 🔑 **Hospitality** Team Leader
- 🔑 Assistant **Finance** Coordinator
- 🔑 Assistant **Creative Activities** Leader
- 🔑 **Discussion Group** Leader

There are also several openings for "optional" leadership positions that MOPS of CCC chose to add to the core leadership to enhance the success of our group.

For greater detail on all of the positions that make up a MOPS Steering team, and to find out more about a position that you may be interested in:

**Please attend the
MOPS Leadership Informational Coffee
Thursday, Feb. 24
7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

**The MOPS Coordinator must be a member of Community Covenant Church.*

Thanks to our Stampers

Thank you to Molly Bennett, a consultant with Stampin' Up, (and one of our very own MOPS!) and Elizabeth blah blah with Close to My Heart for their time and energy during our craft time today.

When Stacy Nyikos, our Creative Steering Team Leader, approached them about showing us how to make Valentine cards, they were both very happy to help!

Stampin' Up

Molly Bennett: 622-9593

Close to My Heart

Elizabeth Goetz: 622-4570

Free to the first "bidder"

One of our lovely MOPS has a handmade Noah's Ark bedding set she would like to give away to a new or expectant mom. Fitted sheet, bumper, toiletries bag and diaper stacker. Call Carolyn at 622-0490

MOPS website reference guide

For information about MOPS, membership, Mom resources, forums, events, MOPShopping and more great information for moms, go to the MOPS International website:

www.gospelcom.net/mops/

If you would like to review informational handouts, this semester's MOPS dates, past months' newsletters, and Steering Team contact info., go to the CCC MOPS webpage. This is also where you register each month!

www.communitycovenant.net/mops

Shop with working MOPS


If you are a working MOP and would like your business name along with your name and contact number listed in the newsletter, please email the information to Candis Olmstead by March 1. candis_o@hotmail.com

Check out the new listing in March's issue of *Mothering Matters*.

Community Covenant Church
Sunday Services
9:15 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m.

- ♥ Excellent childcare program
- ♥ Pioneer Club for children
 - ♥ Middle School and
 - ♥ Sr. High Youth Groups

M O T H E R S O F



P R E S C H O O L E R S

Please contact your steering team leaders if you have any questions, concerns, or would like to volunteer to be on a committee.

Coordinator Melissa Hayes	694-8358
Speaker Coordinator Marcie Bistodeau	622-8875
Hospitality Team Leader Your name here?	
Discussion Group Team Leader Becky Lambert	622-4505
Publicity Team Leader Candis Olmstead	622-3322
Creative Activities Team Leader Stacy Nyikos	696-2625
Moppets Team Leader Your name here?	
Prayer Team Leader Terri Otto	622-0982
Care/Community Team Leader Kristie Moser	622-9332
Finance Team Leader Glenda Young	622-0382
MOPS Mentor Team Leader Patty Meredith	696-0780

Bible Verse *God's Word*

*Love is kind and patient,
never jealous, boastful,
proud, or rude.*

*Love isn't selfish
or quick tempered.*

*It doesn't keep a record
of wrongs that others do.*

*Love rejoices in the truth,
but not in evil.*

*Love is always supportive,
loyal, hopeful,
and trusting.*

Love never fails!

1 Cor. 13: 4 - 8 CEV

Just a thought

Always patient, never proud...No record of wrongs, never fails. Do you feel like you embrace the definition of love as God would have us? Or does it seem impossible to love this way? This is how God loves us, and this is how we will be able to fully experience love one day when we are in His Kingdom. Praise God!

FYI for expecting MOPS

The Fall of 2005 infant room is already filling up! If you are pregnant and have not announced this to the group, please at least let Glenda Young know. She will ensure that your new addition can be put on the waiting list to hopefully have a spot in the nursery by the time he/she arrives.

Happy Birthday, Mom!



January and February Birthdays

Aisha Hanson	Jan 8
Cherie Garner	Jan 12
Lisa Torkelson	Jan 22
Denise Rogers	Jan 29
Cynthia Walker	Jan 31
Jaime Nanninga	Feb 19
Shirah Gates	Feb 21

Intimacy, Friendship, Marriage

There is a great article on the website, www.family.org that you may appreciate. The page address is www.family.org/married/romance/a0027409.cfm and the topic is "Creating Intimacy and Friendship in Marriage." There are additional articles on marriage and many other topics that you may find of interest.



Doing the Dues

Please do not forget to pay the Spring semester dues of \$20. You can check with Glenda Young, our MOPS Finance Steering team leader, if you are unsure whether you have paid or not. If you need a full or partial scholarship, please just pop a note in one of the payment envelopes and let MOPS be our gift to you.

Eating is inevitable

Reminder for MOPS bringing food next month

MARCH

- Golden Apples - bread and dessert
- Pineapples - meat and egg dish
- Grapes - fruit and veggie

Thank you for the yummy food!

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| JANUARY | FEBRUARY |
| Grapes | Apples |
| Golden Apples | Pears |
| Oranges | Watermelons |

*Never eat more than
you can lift.
—Miss Piggy*

clip and save

MOPS Christmas coffee punch

1 1/2 qt. water
 1/2 c. instant chocolate drink mix
 1/4 c. instant coffee granules
 1/2 c. sugar
 1/2 gallon vanilla ice cream
 1/2 gallon chocolate ice cream
 whipped cream
 chocolate shavings

Boil water and add drink mixes and sugar. Cool and save until serving time.

When ready to serve, add ice cream by scoopsfuls and mix to melt.
 Garnish with whipped cream and chocolate shavings.