

# Mothering Matters

MOPS of Community Covenant Church ~ Growing Moms for Growing Children ~ Vol. 1 Issue 6 ~ March 2005

## It's time to get organized (MOPS Garage Sale coming right up)

Motivated to clean up and clear out some of the stuff from your home? The upcoming MOPS Garage Sale is a great place for you to donate items that you've de-cluttered.

A firm date has not yet been set; however, we will be able to start collecting items in April for the end of April or early May sale.

These are the items that we would like to have donated: furniture,

tires, toys, baby gear, children's clothing & shoes, children's books, videos & electronic equipment, home décor, sports equipment, and stamps & craft supplies. Please do not donate any adult clothing. The Garage Sale is one of our major fundraisers for supporting the MOPS of CCC program, and your support is appreciated. Please remember, all donations are tax deductible.

## Looking for a church home?

You are welcome here.

**Our Mission** is "To lead people into a whole life relationship with Jesus Christ." This is the desired outcome we have for all who come. **Our Vision** is to be a place where "Real people meet a real God." This is the atmosphere we desire all to sense as they come and go back into the world. Out of these identifying statements, **our ministries** have been shaped.



Community Covenant Church

Sunday Services

9:15 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

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

### MOPS website reference guide

#### Website of the month:

The American Bible Society website offers scripture in many translations, stories of God at work and other informational tidbits. Go to: [www.americanbible.org](http://www.americanbible.org)

#### MOPS of CCC:

[www.communitycovenant.net/mops](http://www.communitycovenant.net/mops)

#### MOPS International:

[www.gospelcom.net/mops/](http://www.gospelcom.net/mops/)

### Shop with working MOPS

Enjoy shopping while you support a fellow MOP! These moms have their own businesses and would love to work with you.

#### *Southern Living at Home*

Laura Keel: 688-2704

#### *Stampin' Up*

Molly Bennett: 622-9593

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\\_o@hotmail.com](mailto:candis_o@hotmail.com)

Let us not forget to be thankful!

## Get organized

A BIG Thanks to the moms who are working the tables for the "accomplish something" activity at MOPS today!

They are: Melissa Hayes, Kristie Moser, Becky Lambert, Terri Otto, Stacy Nyikos, Sarah Wolcuff, Heather Dean, Tiffany Hays, Marjo DeForest, Glenda Young, and Marci Bistodeau. And Thank You to Stacy Nyikos and Laura Keel for coordinating and working as the speakers for this day!

## Get organized



M O T H E R S O F  
**MOPS**  
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.

<b>Coordinator</b>	
Melissa Hayes	694-8358
<b>Speaker Coordinator</b>	
Marci Bistodeau	622-8875
<b>Hospitality Team Leader</b>	
Your name here?	
<b>Discussion Group Team Leader</b>	
Becky Lambert	622-4505
<b>Publicity Team Leader</b>	
Candis Olmstead	622-3322
<b>Creative Activities Team Leader</b>	
Stacy Nyikos	696-2625
<b>Moppets Team Leader</b>	
Your name here?	
<b>Prayer Team Leader</b>	
Terri Otto	622-0982
<b>Care/Community Team Leader</b>	
Kristie Moser	622-9332
<b>Finance Team Leader</b>	
Glenda Young	622-0382
<b>MOPS Mentor Team Leader</b>	
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**Bible Verse** God's Word

Proverbs 16:32 says, "Better a patient man than a warrior, a man who controls his temper than one who takes a city."

Most literally, the word self-control comes from two roots: one meaning to "rein in" or "curb" and the other meaning to "heal," "preserve," or "make whole." These roots apply particularly to the sensitive nature of people: their minds. Putting it more simply, to be self-controlled is to be healthy minded.

**Self-control—a prayer for you and your child**

*Dear Lord, please give my child self-control. Steel his\* mind with health so that he might make wise choices. Infuse this child with your wisdom and truth so that he might think clearly about those dilemmas he faces.*

*Help him learn to express emotions appropriately and without damaging others. May I be a model of self-control that my child might see in me an accurate reflection of this quality and how to put it into practice in everyday life. Amen.*

—From the "Mom's Devotional Bible."

\*for simplicity, his = him or her

**New Baby**  
**God's Precious Gift**

Ainsley Elise Bredfield  
March 5, 2005  
7 lb. 12 oz.  
Mom: Emily Bredfield



**Happy Birthday, Mom!**



**March Birthdays**

Chris Kallander	March 14
Beth Stimpfel	March 15
Celina Poppe	March 19
Teresa Taylor	March 21
Marci Bistodeau	March 24
Sandy Gold	March 24



**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.

**Could this be you?**

- ♥ Are you interested in sharing your faith story with other MOPS moms? If so, please call Melissa by March 31st.
- ♥ Going once ... going twice ... Leadership selection is this month! Please turn in your applications to Melissa or the MOPS box in the church office **today** so you can be scheduled for an interview with the selection team.

**Eating is inevitable**

Thank you for the yummy food!

**FEBRUARY**

- Apples
- Pears
- Watermelons

**MARCH**

- Golden Apples
- Pineapples
- Grapes

**Chemically speaking, chocolate really is the world's perfect food.**

—**Michael Levine**, nutrition researcher, as quoted in *The Emperors of Chocolate: Inside the Secret World of Hershey and Mars*

clip and save

**Peach Glazed Pork Chops**

- 1 - 8 1/2 oz. can peach slices with juice
- hot water
- 1 - 6 oz. package Stove Top Stuffing Mix for pork
- 1/4 c. butter, cut in pieces
- 6 1/2-inch-thick pork chops
- 1/3 c. peach or apricot preserves
- 1 T. dijon mustard

*Drain peaches, reserving liquid in glass measuring cup. Add hot water to syrup to make 1-1/2 cup and add butter to melt it. Transfer liquid to a large bowl and stir in stuffing crumbs and peaches. Let stand 5 minutes. Spoon into 9 x 13-inch baking dish. Arrange chops over stuffing. Mix preserves and mustard; spread over chops. Bake at 375 degrees for 40 minutes or until cooked through.*

By Rochelle Taylor in MOPS Fruit cookbook

