

Lion's Roar 11-18-20

SALT Hour Opportunities

- We need someone that could transport our Operation Christmas Child boxes to Mountain View Baptist Church **tomorrow**, Nov 21. If this is something you would like to do for SALT hours, please give the office a call or shoot us an email.
- Please join us for an envelope stuffing party on Monday, November 30 at 3:30 p.m. in the CCS library. Depending on attendance, this project should only take an hour or so. Please let the office know if this is something you would like to do.
- We are in need of a few people that could help us with our Passport program one day a month from 9:45 – 12:15. Give Chelly Natchatilo a call at 360-388-1631 and she can fill you in!

Thanksgiving Family Fun Run

Our fun run is this Saturday! You can still join us if you haven't had a chance to sign up! Lots of fun things are in the works for this day of Thanksgiving and celebration. There will be a Taco Truck joining us in the parking lot and we are hoping to have a few more vendors as well. This will be a fun day. Come, be a part of the fun if you can!

Conferences

Our conferences are this coming Monday & Tuesday, November 23 & 24 for preschool and grades 1-10. Just as a reminder, these are parent only conferences. If you need a reminder of your time, please call the office and we can let you know!

Borrowed Clothes

If your child has needed to borrow clothes from our spare clothes closet, we just wanted to remind you to send them back in after they have been washed, so we can have them available for other students! The wet and rainy season is here for sure!

Musings from Mrs. Gilham

Persistence

"And he stretched himself out over the child three times and cried out to the Lord, 'O Lord my God, please let this child's life return to him.' The Lord heard Elijah's prayer, and the life of the child returned, and he revived!" 1 Kings 17:21-22

Can you picture it? The boy was dead. His mother was a widow who offered to let Elijah stay with them. In her grief she blames Elijah. Elijah takes the boy upstairs to his room and stretches out over him, praying for the child to live. He gets up and nothing happens. He knows God can bring the boy back to life, but nothing happens. Elijah stretches himself out a second time, prays the same prayer, this time he's a little more zealous. He gets up and still nothing happens. Did God not hear his plea, his passion, his need? No. God hears. All the time. Elijah knew this. He was persistent. He tried it one more time and this time when he got up the life of the child returned.

So why did it take three times for God to answer Elijah's prayers? Could it be that God was preparing Elijah for something bigger? Elijah needed to have complete faith for what was to come. If God had answered Elijah's prayer the first time, would Elijah be able to take the credit? If God had answered his prayer the second time, would Elijah's faith have been strong enough? Was God testing Elijah? Elijah had to stretch himself out, a position of obedience and humility, three times before his prayer was answered. It would have been easy to stop praying for the child, thinking that God did not desire the boy to be healed, but Elijah was not about to give up. Elijah needed faith and confidence for what God was going to have him do next. He was about to face King Ahab and his 450 prophets of Baal. Could it be that Elijah was actually in training?

We are told in 1 Thessalonians 5:17 to pray without ceasing. God is at work even if we can't see it. Our faith is being shaped. Sometimes our prayers are answered right away. (Thank you Lord!) Sometimes it takes more than one prayer, three prayers or years of prayers, for what we are praying for to come to pass, but God knows what He is doing. He is perfect and so are His plans. We just have to be faithful and persistent. Even if what we pray for doesn't come to pass, God does not let our prayers go to waste. We are being molded and trained for the next thing God wants us to do.

8th Grade Christmas Cookie Grams

Announcement from our 8th grade class: Christmas Cookie Grams are coming!! More details will be announced after Thanksgiving Break, so stayed tuned!

Calendar

November

19 Passport

21 CCS Family Fun Run

23-27 Conferences and Thanksgiving Break – No School

December

9 DC Dogs

18 Early Dismissal (11:30)

19-Jan 3 Christmas Break

Community Events

Piano Lesson Teacher

Rosetta Patterson sent us a flyer for anyone that may be interested in taking piano lessons. She can be reached at rosettapatterson77@yahoo.com or 360-388-0438. Stop by the office if you would like to read more of her information.