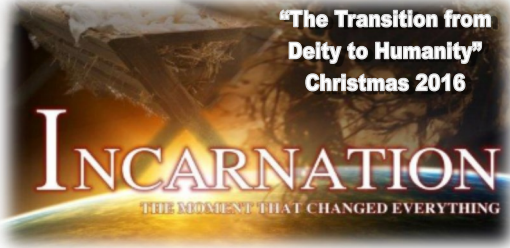




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 SON • OF • THE • HIGHEST
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 JESUS



The Incarnation

The moment that Yahweh (God) became man. Divinity becomes humanity. It's called the incarnation. YAHWEH takes on human flesh! That's not normal!

We live in a world where the paranormal (scientifically impossible to explain) phenomena has gone viral. You find in on the web, in the movies, Walking Dead and Super Hero TV series and even in Licking County with articles in the Advocate as "ghost hunters" seek encounters of the paranormal.

And this is not new for Christ followers and is certainly a part of the Christian experience. The Bible is replete with the scientifically impossible to explain. Was Jesus a ghost when He exited the tomb? He obviously went out of the way to convince His disciples otherwise. He presented His hands and side to Thomas in the upper room and invited him to stick his fingers in the holes (Luke 24:36-40) yet seemed to appear among them even with the windows and doors shut. He prepared and ate a meal with Peter and two other disciples after the resurrection but after another paranormal experience of nets overflowing with fish.

Had Jesus been a ghost at the resurrection, why would He have needed to roll away the stone? Why would He tell Mary not touch His body? Why would not His body still be lying in the tomb inside the shroud - ghosts don't need bodies?

But Jesus is the Son of God. He is paranormal because He created scientist and is the Lord of all creation. He is the Master and it will take faith to believe and trust Him for who He said He was! Note some of His demonstrations that defy scientific explanation. He appeared and vanished at will (Luke 24: 30-36), He entered rooms though locked doors (John 20:19 & 26), He evidenced control over nature (John 21: 1-6), He accurately foretold the future (John 21:17-25), He could be with familiar friends and not be recognized until he chose to be (Luke 24: 13-31), He displayed telepathic ability in knowing the content of conversations which took place when he was not present (John 20: 24-29) and He healed the sick, caused the blind to see, the lame to walk, the leper to be cleansed, cast out demonic spirits, and yes, even raised people from the dead.

At one point even His disciples doubted as Luke 24:37 records, "They were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit" (Luke 24:37). A prominent unbeliever and persecutor of Christians encountered a paranormal experience on his way to persecute Christians in Damascus when a blinding light claiming to be Jesus stopped him. He converted to become a believer.

The mystery of God is wrapped in the beauty and innocence of a newborn baby! Christmas is short for Christ mass (a worship experience)! We NEED reminders regularly of the phenomenal supernatural God whose love for us expands the universe! Don't miss this mini-Advent sermon series, "The Transition from Deity to Humanity."



Our children are learning the meaning of Christmas and will be presenting it to us with their musical, "Journey to the Center of Christmas!" on December 11th with a cookie reception (provided by you) following the performance! And of course our annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Celebration overflowing with the real meaning of Christmas!

Christmas Day is on Sunday this year AND YOU CAN BRING THE KIDS (AND YOURSELF) IN YOUR PJ'S!!! We will stay together for Jesus' Birthday Party!

Finally, I wish you all a very...

Patricia Star

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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PRE-SCHOOL # 740-366-4810
www.alivevineyard.org

Worship: SUNDAY - 10:00 AM
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SAT. 9:30 PM
WED. - YOUTH 6:30PM

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IN HIS WORD Bible Study & Sunday School at 9:00 - 9:45 AM w/Ron Redman Café open 9:00-9:55 AM

Alive Ministry Opportunities

AVLC Preschool is accepting kids for the 2016/17 school year! Members/Attenders of AVLC get a **20% discount!** Call Marlene Jacob at (740) 334-0612

JOURNEY OF FAITH, Newcomer's choosing to believe, finding a church home **TBA** at 5 PM
Get registration from the box on the wall.



Dinner is on us as is child care (if needed). This is the first class of a 4-step discipleship plan to jumpstart your faith journey through Alive Vineyard. If God calls you to be a part of Alive Vineyard, we want/need you!

JOURNEY OF FAITH III -January, 2017
DISCOVER YOUR SERVANT PROFILE! Registration now open!

Sunday, December 25, interested?

BAPTISM

If you are a new Christian and desire to strengthen your walk with the Lord, be baptized! Sign up at the Information Station.

Alive Men's Fellowship
Join us as we meet every week **6:30 to 8:00 PM**
Wednesdays - now studying the Gospel of Matthew!
We eat...We talk...
We sing (just one song)...
We pray...We study the Bible...
JOIN US!



Please join me in praying and believing for this miracle! Debt-Free for Jesus!
Pastor Steve



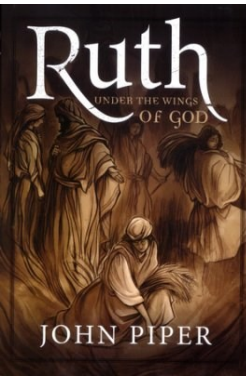
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Father, we ask you for the miracle of this balance!

Life tip: Work like it depends on you... Pray like it depends on God!

"The greatest tragedy in life is the prayers that go unanswered because they go unasked."
-Mark Batterson

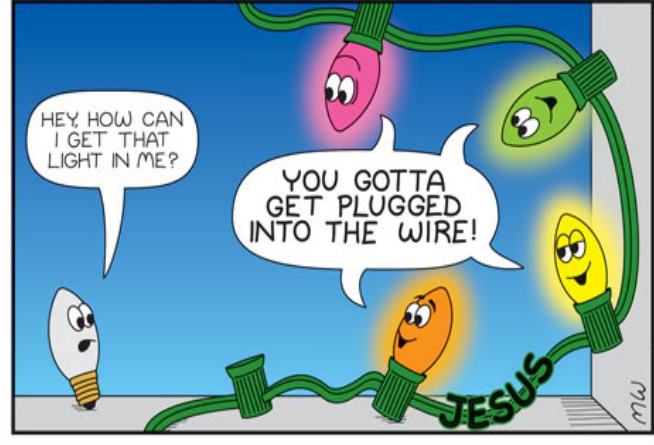
Read "Miracle Maker"

Pastor's December Book-of-the-Month
Ruth-Under the Wings of God
By John Piper



A powerful work of narrative poetic storytelling by pastor and best-selling author John Piper! This illustrated account celebrates the story of God's providential care for Naomi and the love between Ruth and Boaz as remembered by their son, an aged Obed, who's sharing the tale with his 8-year-old grandson, David---the future king of Israel. In the poem, David is being told the story by his grandfather Obed, as the story had been previously handed down to him. Later it is told from the great-grandfather Boaz's perspective. Biblically accurate, Piper puts the story into a new form that is easy and quick to read and a perfect read for you and for you to read to your children during this Christmas season as it tells the ancestry of our Lord. RUTH retails for \$21.99 but can be found in our bookstore for **just \$5 each + tax** while they last!

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.
- JOHN 8:12 KJV

Birthdays and Anniversaries

December

- 1 - Peach Hulse
- 3 - Abigail Redman
- 4 - Ruthanne Redman
- 5 - Caleb Oliver
- 7 - Beverly Buxton, Desiree Drumm
- 8 - Kae Kae Murrell
- 9 - Anna Quick
- 10 - Amanda White, Madison Miracle
- 11 - Bob Shauck, Jennifer Davis
- 12 - Dennis Barrett
- 13 - Troy Harper
- 19 - Austin Allen
- 20 - William DeVary
- 22 - Bella Allen
- 31 - Margaret Curtiss



- 12/9 - Troy & Dawn Harper
- 12/11 - Frank & Nikki Kennedy
- 12/12 - Gary & Sandy Lowe
- 12/28 - Dean & Joyce Meadows
- 12/31 - Joe & Sue Leffel

If your name has not been listed for your birthday/anniversary, call us at:
740-364-1750.

*Merry Christmas
and a Happy New !!*

Monthly Fellowship Dinners



We are highlighting our Clusters and small groups. A different Cluster will sponsor a Monthly after church fellowship and we will hear some testimonies from them during worship. Choose one and join! Choose the theme, promote and serve. Pick your Month!

January - Chili Cook-off - 3rd Sunday

February - Youth - Potato Bar

March - ????

April - ????

May - ????

June - ????

Sign up your group/Cluster!



Prayer Requests

Ruth and Jim Ailes

Debi and Alan McKenna

Sandy and Neil Tonner

Alan and Ruth Moran

Amy and Bob Dingey

Florence Noblick

We ALL need prayer! Pray for each other as the Holy Spirit puts their name to your mind!

Chili Cookoff

Get your recipes out and test them because on Sunday, January 15th we will be holding our annual Chili Cook-off. Join the fun and fellowship.

The winner could be you!



Bible Study *In the WORD* & Sunday School

9:00 - 9:45 AM

Leader: Ron Redman
In the Discipleship Room



**These Bible studies
are recorded and on our Website!**
-as is our morning worship-

The Divine Scriptures are the feast of wisdom,
and the single books are the various dishes.
—Ambrose

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Cluster/ Small Group Coordinator:
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AVLC Discipleship

Clusters

real people, real relationships...for real life.



A "Cluster" is the name for our HOME GROUPS and they are the life-blood of this ministry. It is here we experience the family aspect of ministry. It is a safe place to learn and grow and connect with the body of Christ. All our home groups are open, friendly and waiting just for you to join in the fun and fellowship they all offer!

CLUSTERS DETAILS:

- Sunday** **Bible Study - Leader, Ron Redman (740-975-8427)**
 Meets at AVLC at 9-9:45 AM
- Monday** **"Prophecy Seekers"** - Leader, Tom Jacob - 740-644-2579
 Meets at the Main Newark Library at 6:30 PM - 2nd Floor Room 3
"Overcomers" - Leader, Rick Drumm - 740-323-6794
 Meets at 668 Evans St. Newark at 6:30 PM
"In Him" - Leader, Dean & Joyce Meadows - 740-366-2327
 Meets at the church at 7:00 PM
- Tuesday** **"Diligence"** - Leader, Judy Newton 740-344-5196
 Meeting at the home of Judy Newton, 1660 Bryn Mawn Dr at 10 AM
"Kid's Club" - Leader, Tammy Redman
 Meeting at the church starting September 6th at 6:30-7:30 PM
- Wednesday -** **"Be Still"** - Leader, Becky Downing 740-745-3407
 Meets weekly at 5:30 PM at the Granville Library
"All Who Are Thirsty" - Leader, Ron Redman (740-975-8427)
 Meets at 6:30 PM at Doug and Grace Ayers', 24 Bluebonnet Dr, Heath
Men's, Women's & Youth Fellowships - Meets at 6:30 PM at the church.
 Wade Kirk (youth);
 Marlene Jacob (women);
 Pastor Steve (men), 740-364-1750
- Thursday -** **"Dove"** - Leader, Jim & Ruth Ailes - 740-522-8176
 Meets at 1:00 PM - 227 Indianhead Dr. Heath (Ailes' Home)

*Study to show yourself
approved unto God, a work-
man that needs not to be
ashamed, rightly dividing the
Word of Truth."*



*If you're not a part of a
home Bible Study, then
JOIN one now!
They are ALL
great and open to
new participants!*



Alive Vineyard L.C.
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Newark, OH 43055

Pray

JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF CHRISTMAS
A Christmas Musical for Children
Written by Dennis & Nan Allen
Arranged by Dennis Allen

Sunday, December 11th
10:00 AM
Alive Vineyard

Cookie Reception following the service

Christmas Open House

You're invited to a
Christmas Open House
Sunday, December 10th 4:00 to 7:00 PM
at the home of
Steve & Carole Osborne
2887 Opossum Hollow Rd.
-come as you are
-light refreshments will be served.

Merry Christmas from the Osbornes!

Directions
Take Route 16 North off Route 16 and follow Route 11 to Waterworks Road. Turn right (or East) on to Waterworks. You will go over some railroad tracks and a bridge, then proceed to the 2nd road to the left which is O'Possum Hollow Road. Turn left (or North) onto O'Possum Hollow and follow it to our house (2887 O'Possum Hollow Road).

May your joy overflow!
Steve & Carole

... a virgin will conceive
... His name
... Jesus

Candlelight Communion

Joy to the World
THANKS BE UNTO GOD FOR HIS UNSPEAKABLE GIFT.
2 Corinthians 9:15

Christmas Eve 2016
Welcome
Alive Vineyard
of Licking County

**FOR UNTO US
a CHILD IS BORN.
UNTO US
a SON IS GIVEN.**

Merry Christmas

Wade *Carole* *Pastor Steve*
Carla *Marilyn*
Marlene *Sue* *Cathy*

Alive Vineyard Staff