

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Excellent, Affordable Christian Education

October, 2013

A Year of Thanksgiving and Praise to God

Upcoming Dates

- Parent/Teacher conferences—Monday, October 28. No school for students.
- Field trip to Advancing Native Missions—Tuesday, October 29.
- Report cards sent home—Wednesday, October 30.
- Open House—Wednesday, November 6, 6:00-7:30 or Thursday, November 7, 8:30-10:30.
- Thanksgiving Break—Wednesday, November 27-Friday, November 29.

Each year that I have been the administrator of a Christian school, I have asked the Lord for a theme for the year. I find that having a theme helps the school community stay focused on a core principle throughout the year.

Right before school started, I was reading one of our history books that describe the establishment of Plymouth. I was struck with how often divine intervention seemed to protect the colony and ensure its survival. After they survived many initial hardships, the Pilgrims instituted a celebration to thank God for all He had done.

Last year, the Lord miraculously created and provided for CCA. We started



a school that focused on removing the tuition barrier, and it looked impossible for us to meet our financial needs. However, each week, God showed up to take care of us.

In Luke 17, ten men with leprosy are miraculously cured by Jesus, but only one returns to thank Him. Instead of praising the one leper, Jesus asks where the other nine are. We've decided at CCA to use this story as an example for us. Therefore, we have dedicated this entire year as a year to praise and thank God for His faithfulness. We have even created a wall where every staff member, board member, student, and parent has written thanksgivings and praises to God.

“Enter His gates with thanksgiving; and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name.”

- Psalm 100:4

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Open House—November 6 and 7 Accepting Applications for the 2014-15 Year

Even though it is still October, it is already time to consider your child's education for next school year. Community Christian Academy is accepting applications for the 2014-15 school year, and we already are starting a waiting list for one of our grades.

To introduce the school to potential new families, we are offering **open houses on Wednesday, November 6 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.**

and Thursday, November 7 from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Visitors will have an opportunity to meet the teachers and administration, tour the school, and discuss the program. Come see why we have more than doubled our student body in one year.

For more information and to RSVP, contact:

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Another Year Off to a Great Start



The Lord has blessed CCA by adding 15 additional children in kindergarten through fourth grade and by adding a third full-time teacher to our staff this year. Very quickly, our new families and staff have become part of our school family.

In our first two months, students have been busy doing experiments in science, research and presentations in history, projects in art class, and a host of other interactive activities. Additionally, they are preparing for a Christmas program, memorizing and implementing math facts, memorizing Scripture, reading many books and novels, speaking Spanish daily, collecting items for persecuted Christians in Egypt, and somehow still finding plenty of time to run around and play.

We are grateful for the incredibly busy, wonderful year that we have had and are thankful for all our new and returning students and families that make CCA.



*We wait in hope for the Lord;
He is our help and our shield.
In Him our hearts rejoice, for
we trust in His holy name."*

- Psalm 33: 20-21.

What Friends and Families are Saying about CCA

"I think CCA is everything that a Christian family could dream of for their precious children. Thank God and the responsible creators for this." This comment, which was written on our Facebook page the first week of this school year, made my day. Since our inception nearly 2 years ago, we have been blessed by many thankful and encouraging comments.

Just hours after our first day ended this year, we received the following email: "I asked [student's name] how he liked school today. 'It was GREAT!' [student replied]. You don't know how wonderful it is to hear such a response after last year. Thank You!!!" According to the author of this comment, the child complained every day last year when he went

to his local public school. One of my favorite comments was by one of our new first graders who told me last week that he doesn't want to miss school during Christmas break and wants "to go to this school forever." His comment was quickly echoed by his peers. We are delighted that our families and students are so happy at CCA.

Mission Statement:

Community Christian Academy exists to glorify God by preparing students, well-grounded in knowledge and faith, for successful lives. Seeking to reflect the diversity of the body of Christ, Community Christian Academy partners with families and other Christian organizations to promote transformation within our community. The school's goal is to develop critically-thinking students who will engage the culture by living lives that demonstrate scholarship, servant-leadership, and devotion to Christ and to mankind.

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*"Let everything that has breath
praise the LORD."
- Psalm 150:6*

Chapel—A Highlight Each Week

Chapel on Tuesdays is always a special time with our students, staff, and guests. Each week we invite a local pastor or children's minister to share a biblical principle with our students, and we have been blessed to have had several excellent presentations already this year.

We have been challenged to stop wearing masks because God places great value on us, we have been

reminded that our tongues can bring life or death, we have learned that God can use anyone for His purpose, and so many more biblical lessons.

We would like to thank the following ministers for bringing us messages from the Bible this quarter:

- Pastor John Hannan of Monticello Wesleyan Church (pictured below)



- Pastor Lindsay Ellis of All Points Christian Church
- Pastor Ricky White of Union Run Baptist Church
- Pastor Hazael Garay of Iglesia Revoluzion
- Ben Mosby of Word of Faith Church
- Pastor Michael Lusk of Grace Covenant Church
- Will Brandt of Cherry Ave. Christian Church



Volunteer Opportunities at CCA

As our student body has grown, so has our need for volunteers. In order to provide a comprehensive program at an affordable cost, we use volunteers for various tasks around the school. Last year, we were blessed with over 10 volunteers at the school who helped with many things from cleaning to student support!

Currently we are in need of volunteers to help in the following areas:

- Administrative support
- Morning classroom aide to help with reading groups
- Grant researcher—anyone who loves to look up things on the internet can do this.
- Aftercare assistant
- Cleaning and facility maintenance

CCA is a special place, and our volunteers have expressed their love of being here and helping our school community. If you are interested in helping this wonderful ministry, please contact:

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