

December 4, 2005



“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.” Isaiah 9:6

**THE CANDY CANE STORY**

According to the legend, there was a candy maker who wanted to invent a candy that was a witness to Christ. The result was the candy cane. First of all, he used a hard candy because Christ is the Rock of all ages. This hard candy was shaped so that it would resemble a “J” for Jesus or a shepherd’s staff. He made it white to represent the Purity of Christ. Finally a red stripe was added to represent the blood of Christ shed for the sins of the world and three thinner stripes He received on our behalf when the Roman soldiers whipped Him. Sometimes a green stripe is added as a reminder that Jesus is a Gift from God. The flavor of the candy is peppermint which is similar to hyssop. Hyssop is in the mint family and was used in the Old Testament for purification and sacrifice. Jesus is the Pure Lamb of God come to be a sacrifice for the sins of the world. So the next time you see a candy cane, hear the Sermon it preaches; Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, is the Rock of all Ages who suffered and died for our sins.

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**Coming Up!**



**“Women’s Ministries”**  
Festive Fun—Mystery Location  
Tuesday, December 13—6:50 pm  
MEET AT THE CHURCH!



**“Ground Zero” (Youth)**  
Christmas Banquet  
Friday, December 16—7 pm  
Full Turkey Dinner—Cost: \$20  
(Includes, Skating, Sleepover & Breakfast)  
Tickets can be purchased from Lindsay Running  
or Becky Boone



**“Men’s Ministries Breakfast”**  
Saturday, December 17—9 am



**“Sunday School  
Christmas Presentation”**  
Sunday, December 18—6 pm



**“Christmas Eve Community Dinner”**  
Saturday, December 24—6:00 pm  
followed by Candlelight Carol Sing”- 8 pm



**“New Year’s Eve Family Skate”**  
Saturday, December 31— from 9-10 pm  
Stroud Arena

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**WELCOME  
TO  
INNISFIL  
COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
*We are so pleased you are with us today!*



*If you are visiting, we extend to you a warm  
welcome, and invite you to sign our Guest Book,  
located in the foyer.*

**I**—inspirational Bible-based  
**C**—caring, within community  
**C**—hristian values

**OUR PASTORAL & OFFICE STAFF**

Senior Pastor:	Rev. Howard Courtney
Music & Children’s Pastor:	Pastor Crystal White
Youth Pastor:	Pastor Kris Reid
Senior’s Pastor:	Rev. June White
Office Manager/Secretary:	Mrs. Marion Boone
Data Manager:	Mrs. Jessica Pereira
<u>Volunteers</u>	
Tithing Envelope Secretary:	Mrs. Annette Langeveld
Administrative Assistant:	Mrs. Beulah Courtney

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## THIS MORNING Communion

"...we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all."  
Hebrews 10:10

11:30 am—Children are dismissed for Super Church

### This Coming Week!

## "The Christmas Shoes"

Dessert Theatre Musical Drama  
December 9 and December 10

Also, Sunday, December 11 (non-dessert)  
Friday & Saturday Performances—\$5  
(Tickets available at the Information Kiosk TODAY and at the office throughout the week)

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR  
YOU TO INVITE A GUEST!**



Servers are still needed to help prepare and serve at the tables for the Dessert Theatre. Please leave your name at the church office if you can help.  
**THANK YOU!**

## Last Week's Finances

Last Week's Offerings	
Required Tithes & Offerings	\$ 8,500.00
Received in Tithes & offerings	\$ 8,498.79
Stewardship Offerings	\$ 10,910.00
Other Designations	\$ 2,720.11
Last Week's Expenses	
Postage	\$ 980.12
Advertising	\$ 85.60
Medical Insurance	\$ 618.22
Telephone	\$ 203.31
Church Tithes	\$ 4,200.00
Speaker	\$ 250.00
PAOC Liabilities	\$ 529.08
Payroll Liabilities	\$ 2,746.34
Miscellaneous/MAC/Testimony	\$ 800.32
Janitorial Fees	\$ 900.00
TRANSFER TO FUTURE GROWTH	\$ 10,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 21,312.99
FUTURE GROWTH	\$ 65,000.00
LAST WEEK'S BALANCE	\$ 1,607.15
CURRENT BALANCE	\$ 2,423.06

Do you know of someone who is alone for Christmas, (a student, a senior, single parent etc)? Why not invite them to our free annual Christmas Eve Community Dinner and Carol Sing?



"for I was hungry and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger and you took me in."  
**Matthew 25:35**

## This Week at ICC

Dec 4	9:50 am—Sunday School	ICC
Dec 4	11:00 am—Morning Worship (Communion)	Sanctuary
Dec 4	6:00 pm—Evening Praise	Sanctuary
Dec 5	1:00 pm—Primetimers Shuffleboard	Gym
Dec 6	7:00 pm—Worship Practice	Sanctuary
Dec 7	7:00 pm—BG Club	Sanctuary
Dec 7	7:00 pm—The Gate	Gym
Dec 7	7:00 pm—Bible Study	Fireside Lounge
Dec 8	10:30 am—Leisureworld Nursing Home	Barrie
Dec 8	6:30 pm—Drama Dress Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Dec 9	9:30 pm—Morning Prayer	Fireside Lounge
Dec 9	7:00 pm—"The Christmas Shoes" Drama	Sanctuary
Dec 10	7:00 pm—"The Christmas Shoes" Drama	Sanctuary
Dec 10	9:50 pm—ICC Men's Hockey	Lefroy Arena



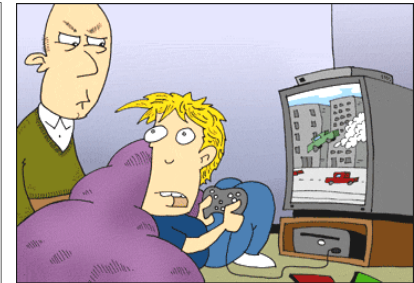
## Today's Schedule

Pastor Crystal, Marion Boone, Angela Galashan	Worship Team
Gabby Boone	Powerpoint
Bob Galashan, Ian Shooter, Donata Lupo,	Ushers
As arranged by Pastor Crystal	Super Church
Stephanie McGhee and Hilary Chase	Nursery
Beulah Courtney, Karen Boylan, Sheila Simmons	Greeters

## Morning Smile

### A Sermon About Lying

A minister told his congregation, "Next week I plan to preach about the sin of lying. To help you understand my sermon, I want you all to read Mark 17. The following Sunday, as he prepared to deliver his sermon, the minister asked for a show of hands. He wanted to know how many had read Mark 17. Every hand went up. The minister smiled and said, "Mark has only sixteen chapters. I will now proceed with my sermon on the sin of lying."



YOU ALWAYS SAID I SHOULD LOOK FOR THE TALENTS THAT GOD HAS GIVEN ME