



# CAC's Bulletin for Sunday, December 18, 2011

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## Last Sunday AM

Pastor Joseph taught on Christian ethics regarding communication, using the text of Proverbs 15. The Bible, especially in the Book of Proverbs, often contrasts the wise and the foolish. The Bible's teaching regarding the wise and the foolish covers many topics, including money, habits, choice of friends, etc. However, one topic addressed more than others is the topic of communication. A veritable mountain of verses contrast the tongue, lips, mouth, and words of the wise versus the folly of the communications of the foolish. There is tremendous wisdom to be gained by studying all that the Bible teaches about what we should say to each other. For instance, "A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger" (Proverbs 15:1). Pastor mentioned that he was in prayer while pondering the ill effects of some social networking communications, and there he felt impressed of the Lord that all the Bible's teaching about the tongue, lips, mouth, words, etc (basically about communication in general) needs to be applied by the Christian to all social networking too. Our entire world is still wrestling with how to do social networking. The dynamic of text on a screen is dramatically different from face to face. If we allow the Bible to guide all our communications, both cyber, written, voice, and face to face, we will live happier, healthier lives and be more pleasing to our great God.

## Last Sunday PM

Pastor Joseph preached "Overcome Evil with Good" using the text of Romans 12. The chapter's final verse commands us "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." In order to do that, we must first turn our attention to the evil within ourselves. Since we cannot overcome our own carnal nature, we must have help from God. That is why the chapter does not begin with overcoming evil with good, but rather begins with a command for us to offer ourselves on the altar of sacrifice and allow God to transform us by renewing our minds. The carnal nature is an evil within that must simply be crucified. It cannot be reformed. We cannot trust our own heart or intuition or feelings or personal ideas. "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" (Jeremiah 17:9). All of the wise, pithy statements of advice contained between the opening and closing verses of the chapter are commands that cannot be properly obeyed in anyone who is not a living sacrifice, laid daily upon the altar. The call to Christian life is a call to being truly Pentecostal. Only by the indwelling power of the Holy Ghost can we overcome evil with good!

## Last Wednesday

Pastor Joseph preached about a proper perspective on life and salvation, using Luke 2:19 as his text. Regarding all the miracles surrounding the birth of Christ, the gospel writer noted, "But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart." Our heart is like a powerful safe or vault. It can store both the good and the bad in our brief life history. What really matters is not so much whether you can remember the good and the bad, but which one you choose to dwell upon. Which set of memories do you continually ponder on? It is easy to get fixated on what and who got taken away, and on the emotional wounds and harm inflicted upon us and our family.

However, those who choose to dwell on the negative are choosing to be miserable for life. The Bible commands us to filter our thought life: "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things" (Phil. 4:8).

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

## Submit yours to us today!

Natural Birthdays	Spiritual Birthdays	Anniversary
Bro Adam Benedum (12/18) Sis Helen Sandy (12/21) Bro David Todd (12/21) Pastor Joseph (12/24)	Sis Tiffany Sandy (12/22/2002) Bro Zachary Sandy (12/22/2002)	Bro David & Sis Brenda Sandy (12/20/1987) 24 years!

## Fun!

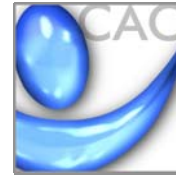
## Kids Corner

## Christmas Word Search

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## Announcements / Events / Ministry Opportunities

- **Reminder:** The church in our district with the greatest percent of increase in their giving to *Christmas For Christ* will receive a \$500 gift card to Cabela's. Thank you for giving for North American missions (a.k.a. Home Missions)!
- CAC's radio broadcast, **Voice of Truth, on WAJR 103.3 FM**, is aired twice on Sundays: 11:30am & 11pm. **Today: "Building Your Altar" Part 3**
- Today: – **Christmas Presentations** by CAC Sunday School Classes
- Thursday, Dec 22, 2011 – **ACA Home School Day**
- Dec 23, 2011-Jan 2, 2012 – **ACA Christmas & New Year's Break**
- Sun, Dec. 25, 2011 **at 10:00 am** – **Christmas Day service** at CAC
- Friday, Dec. 30, 2011 – **All Night Prayer Meeting** at CAC
- January 1-30, 2012 – **30 Days of United Prayer (U.P.)** with daily praying at CAC
- Thursday, Jan 12, 2012 – **ACA – End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter**



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### Special Prayer Requests

- Sis. Bev Feathers
- Bro. Jim Starkey
- Jim Sprouse
- Melanie Mick
- Linda Martin
- Frank Matheny
- Ann Matheny
- E. Hopkins

### Featured Verse

“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” (Isa. 9:6).

**“And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn” (Luke 2:7).**



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