

NEWS PEACE

November 22, 2011



HOLIDAY TIME

As the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays quickly approach, the World Church Human Resource Committee would like to provide you additional time to travel and prepare to share these holidays with family and friends. On Wednesday November 23rd and Thursday, December 22nd, International Headquarters will close at 3:00 p.m. and you will be free to begin your holiday time. These two extra hours will be paid time. If there are questions regarding payroll, contact [Human Resource Ministries](#).

May this extra time with family and friends add to the many blessings we hope you have during the holidays. Thanks for all you do to help the church live its mission and message of peace in the world.



CHRISTMAS DECORATING

After the Thanksgiving holiday Christmas decorations begin to appear here at International Headquarters. The Facilities team will begin setting out trees and decoration boxes on Monday, November 28.

We appreciate the teams who have helped decorate in the past, and are asking for team commitments to help decorate on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 29 and 30. With a team of people working it doesn't take too long. We are asking for team commitments of an hour or so to a particular tree or area here at International Headquarters.

Areas and trees to decorate include: Temple foyer, Temple World Plaza, Auditorium North Foyer, Auditorium West foyer. There are poinsettias and nativity to set out, trees to decorate, greenery and bows. Pick an area and share your commitment with [Kathleen Morton](#), ext. 2258.

Thanks for your commitment!



SHALOM ENCOUNTERS FOR ADVENT

12 noon to 12:50 p.m. in Shalom Place

We invite you to participate with us in the Temple Sanctuary following the Shalom Encounter for the 1 p.m. Daily Prayer for Peace.

Join Us:

Wednesday, November 30 *Expectations* - Tony and Charmaine Chvala-Smith

Wednesday, December 7 *We Sing of Advent* - New Hymnal Team

Wednesday, December 14 *Christ Be Our Light* - Spiritual Formation Team



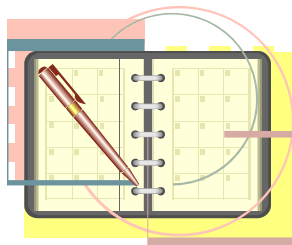
SHOPPING THIS WEEKEND?!

Don't forget the mitten trees for Community Services League. Trees are located near the Temple staff entrance and the Auditorium west entrance. We'll also continue to collect food and non-perishable items throughout the holidays.



CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Mark your calendars for December 8 and celebrate the Christmas season with your IHQ family. Each office area is invited to participate in an Open House activity throughout the day. We recognize meetings will continue to occur and work responsibilities are priority. However, we encourage all to share in a day of celebration with Christmas snacks throughout the offices, Daily Prayer for Peace, scavenger hunt, carol singing, door prizes and more. Start thinking now, and watch your e-mail after Thanksgiving for more details.



MAKE YOUR RESERVATION TODAY

Community of Christ International Headquarters is blessed with many talented employees and volunteers. In recognition of everyone's contribution to our mission to proclaim Jesus Christ and promote communities of joy, hope, love, and peace, we invite you to share in a recognition celebration.

Everyone is invited to a celebratory luncheon on Thursday, December 15, at 11:30 a.m. in the Auditorium Lower Assembly Room. During this gathering we will recognize all those celebrating milestone anniversaries (5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40). There will also be a special dinner at another day for those celebrating 25 years or more of service.

The luncheon is our gift to all. Please RSVP to [Gabe Horne](#), ext. 2266, so we are prepared to celebrate with everyone. If you have questions, please contact Steve Graffeo, ext. 3031; Heather Frey, ext. 3061; or Susan Naylor, ext. 3045.

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The First Presidency

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