



LARRY'S LINES

\*ASH WEDNESDAY DINNER AND SERVICE, February 14: We will gather at 6:00 p.m. for soup and combread followed by the Ash Wednesday service. I trust you are making plans to attend.

\*THE WEEK OF COMPASSION is the "relief, refugee, and sustainable development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). This year makes 80 years of a single mission: working with partners to alleviate suffering throughout the world, with a vision of a world where God's people transform suffering into hope." This is a quote from a publication from the Disciples home office. Week of Compassion funds were used tremendously in Kentucky during the past two years assisting families find stable housing and restored communities after tornados and floods. Assistance has also been given not only in the USA but in Africa and assisting U.S. local congregations helping refugees and asylum seekers find new opportunity and true hospitality in the U.S. as local congregations help them explore new neighborhoods, learn new languages, and find new hope.

I encourage you to give sacrificially to this tremendous need. There are two good reasons to do so: One, people worldwide need assistance in crisis times, and two, you might be the next one in need of help if a crisis strikes our community. This offering will be given February 18-25.

\*BIBLE STUDY: We have discussed and debated having a Bible study group for over a year. At Sunday's board meeting we decided to begin a study on Wednesday nights beginning April 9 and going for at least six weeks, and then beginning again in the fall. We will focus on "Life Lessons from James: Practical Wisdom". Our guide will be a workbook by author and pastor Max Lucado. I will lead the first lesson, but you will have the opportunity to guide us on the other nights. We will meet from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Plans are to have light refreshments.

I trust I will see you this Sunday and every Sunday morning in worship.

In Christ,

Larry

