



Skybacher Ministries is helping defeat those winter blues with an "Arctic Blast", of dodgeball. January 16th @ Unionville Life Center. Ten players per team 2 must be girls. The cost is \$5 per person.

Prayer & Praise Corner

- Praise for a great 2009, Prayer for 2010
- Praise for a great run of tournaments in the fall
- Prayer for the upcoming Hangtime Basketball League
- Prayer for continued guidance in 2010
- Praise for all who have supported the 5 Loaves Campaign
- Praise for growth in the number of college helpers

Skybacher Ministries is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization All checks can be made payable to Skybacher Ministries Inc. and are tax deductible.

Don't forget you can designate your United Way contribution to Skybacher Ministries. Call or email us for more info.

2009 Thank You's

*Eat n Park, Monaca for being our "Make Him Smile" Partner awarding teams who exhibit Good Sportsmanship

*Fun Fore All, Cranberry
*Tickets for Kids Foundation for Arby's MilkShake coupons given at volleyball
*Turtle Treasures for sponsoring the t-shirts for our Broomball tournament this year!!

*Pete Thompson for making us 2 cornhole sets!!

Thank you to our board members and all who support and pray for us!! May God bless you in 2010!

Skybacher Sports Tournaments

Dodgeball Arctic Blast
January 16th

Hang Time Basketball
February 4th

Caribbean Sports Jam
March 20th

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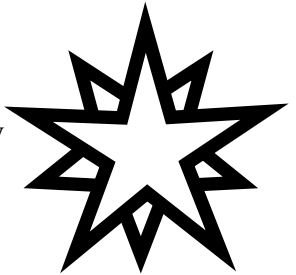
Following A Star

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If you're like myself then you've been following a few stars lately. Has anyone heard how Tiger Woods is doing these days? How about the Steelers? These are just two of the stories I've been following lately, and in both cases I have found myself very disappointed.

Flashback to the wisemen: "After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh." Matthew 2:9-11.

The wisemen followed a star and they were not disappointed. They were overjoyed, in awe, and bowed to worship!! We can choose to follow a lot of things this Christmas, but Jesus is the only one who will not disappoint us! May we follow the True Light!!



The Five Loaves Campaign!



We have less than a month left in the 5 Loaves Campaign. Our first real attempt at raising some funds. We have been amazed to see how God has moved people to donate \$25 or more but we are still 140 people short as of today (\$3500). We want to meet our goal and you can help!! Your money will help us pay off our summer camps, as well as meet the needs of our fall events, and staff. Please consider making a \$25 donation before year's end!!

"Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart." Psalm 37:4

pray & play

Pray & Play Update

We are so thankful for the help that God has sent!! Most of you read in our past newsletter that we had 2 Geneva guys work for us this past summer, well that has grown our Geneva support from 4 to 9 Geneva students for our weekly outreach on Sunday nights!!!! Our Jr. High & High School students have truly benefited from so many incredible Christian college students to share their lives with, and have praying for them on a weekly basis. We focused on Amazing Stories for the first part of fall, and then most recently have focused on having a truly thankful heart – Praise the Lord for the work He is doing!!

Skybacher Kidz

Coming THIS February, we are launching a BRAND NEW program for our elementary kids to participate in!! Hangtime is a basketball league that will run for 6 weeks for kids in Kindergarten through 4th grade. K-2 will meet on Monday evenings, and grades 3 & 4 will meet on Thursdays from 4:45-6:45pm – we will meet at Big Knob Elementary school. The program will teach basketball, but will also emphasize character building and good sportsmanship – register your child today on our website. Cost to be a part of the league is \$20.



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Say Cheese!!



You or your business can sponsor a tournament today. We love to give away t-shirts at tournaments and the students love it too. It cost \$125 to print t-shirt for each tournament. Email Kristie at keeks_18j@yahoo.com if you are interested in sponsoring a tournament.



Skybacher Ministries kicked off another schoolyear of sports tournaments with it's first ever Corn Hole Tournament. Eighteen teams battled it out in divisions of Co-ed and Open Competitive. The Corn Hole bags were flying throughout the night but it was Team Ashcash and the West Side Squirrels who would defeat the competition and become the first of two teams to have their names added to our all new gorgeous Corn Hole Champions Plaque.

In October it was once again time to blast the night away with the Pumpkin Dodgeball Blast. West Side continued it's dominance with another dodgeball victory.

In November we had 2 tournaments with the Flag Football, and Turkey and Stuffing Volleyball Tournament. The Lord provided a beautiful day for flag football, and West Side 's dominance would continue as they took home their 6th straight Flag Football Championship. The Young Bucks would take home the B-division title. West Side did not stop there as they also won the Turkey & Stuffing Tournament. Thus leading to our new campaign at Skbyacher Ministries: The "Beat West Side Campaign!"

We just recently finished the Broomball Blizzard where 10 teams battled it out on the ice, and you guessed it West Side won again!

It has been a great start to the tournament season. Congratulations to the guys and girls from West Side on a job well done. Next up is the Arctic Blast Dodgeball