

# HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN SCHOOL – NEWS FOR YOU



“With God All Things Are Possible”

February 8, 2010



## It's Not About Me

*“Love... is not self-seeking.” 1 Corinthians 13:5*

It was not a very long piece on the TV news. But what she does and why she is doing it will not soon forget.

The news piece is about the disastrous earthquake in Haiti and its aftermath. It centers on a mother and her young children. Their small house is now rubble. The mother does not know what they are going to eat. She does not know what they are going to drink. She does not know where they are going to live. And she finds herself surrounded by thousands of people who are wondering the same thing.

At present she and her children are living in the open, sitting and resting on a blanket. But as she sits with her children the mother is doing a strange thing. She's continually smiling and talking cheerfully.

Someone from the news crew finally asks her why she's smiling so much. Her response is sober and direct. “It's for my children,” she says.

Footage like that quickly reminds us what love is. Love is not about me. It's not about my needs. It's not about indulging my fears or fulfilling my dreams or protecting my self-esteem. It's about others.

The old, sinful self inside me does not like that. It does not like that one bit. Left to my own instincts my life would be all about me until there would be nothing left but me. And ultimately there I would exist: isolated, alone, in the outer darkness of hell.

But Jesus came. He came for me. He lived a perfect life for me. He suffered and died for my every failure. And now he lives for me. Because of him, my life is different. I am different. My slavery to self is done. And now I can really love because through Jesus, it's not about me. It's about others.



- \* Last week Thursday was our 100<sup>th</sup> day of school – congratulations!
- \* Please sign-up for parent teacher meetings by Wednesday, 2-10-10.
- \* Tell your friends! PreK-K Open House: Thursday, February 25, 2010
- \* Parent Involvement = Student Success
  - *Make sure your child arrives at school well-rested.*
  - *Make sure your child has a good breakfast before school.*
  - *Set a regular, quiet time for your child to do homework.*
  - *Ask your child what he or she has learned in school each day.*
  - *Limit his or her television, computer and video game time.*
  - *Pray with, praise, and encourage your child.*
  - *Celebrate your child's successes.*
  - *Use car time to talk to your child (about their day, about your day).*
  - *Plan to eat at least one meal each day as a family.*
  - *Look for things to do together as a family, e.g. preparing a meal.*
  - *Have regular family devotions and evening bedtime prayers.*

## February Calendar Dates

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday                               | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  |
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| <b>7</b><br>Sunday Worship<br>8:15, 10:30 a.m.<br><br>Visual Arts Fair<br>Lakeside Lutheran                  | <b>8</b><br><br>H1N1 immunization<br><br>Girls BB practices A-B      | <b>9</b><br><br>Boys BB practices A-B | <b>10</b><br>Chapel & Missions<br>South Korea<br><br>Girls BB practices A-B | <b>11</b><br><br>PT Consultations PM<br>Boys BB practices A-B | <b>12</b><br>No School<br>Parent - Teacher<br>Consultation Day<br>Basketball Games<br>Away at SP, Ixonia WI | <b>13</b>   |
| <b>14</b><br>Sunday Worship<br>8:15, 10:30 a.m.<br>Kalahari Water Park<br>Valentine's Day<br>Jesus Loves You | <b>15</b><br>No School<br>Presidents Day<br><br>9:00 a.m. In-Service | <b>16</b><br><br>BB practices         | <b>17</b><br>Chapel & Missions<br>South Korea<br><br>Ash Wednesday          | <b>18</b><br><br>School Board Meeting<br>BB practices         | <b>19</b><br><br>Basketball Tournament<br>Eastside Lutheran - A   | <b>20</b><br>Sun Prairie<br>Tournament - B<br><br>Eastside Lutheran<br>Tournament - A |



**Thank you to all of the parents, coaches, players, cheerleaders, and fans for making our 25<sup>th</sup> Crusader Invitation Tournament a success. Congratulations to the girls and boys teams for their great effort, good sportsmanship, and exciting games. To God be the glory!**