



# The Trumpet

*Our Mission: To seek and serve Christ in others,  
loving our neighbors as ourselves.*

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## Top Ten Signs You've Discovered CEC is growing!

- 10 You've started getting to church earlier to make sure you get a good parking spot!
- 9 You've learned to appreciate strong, hot coffee even when the temperature outdoors is 103° in the shade!
- 8 You say the name "Jim" and four people turn their heads and say, "What?"
- 7 You've considered repainting the restrooms the color Hazelnut Zucchini!
- 6 You signed up to teach a Sunday school class and now enjoy how the class is helping you learn more about the Bible and has brought you closer to Christ!
- 5 Your kids don't ask anymore, "Why do we have to go to church?" But, "Aren't we going to church this morning?"
- 4 You find yourself wanting to come forward to play a tambourine with the children during the final hymn of the service!
- 3 You've considered taking a doggie bag home because the hospitality goodies are so good!
- 2 You know how many Episcopalians it takes to change a light bulb because you inadvertently volunteered to be on the committee!

### **And the number one reason why you've discovered how CEC is growing?**

- 1 You've just found out you've been calling a particular person by the wrong name for months and they haven't seemed to mind!

Blessings,  
Bruce†

# Honduras Mission Trip is One Way to Open the Eyes of Your Heart

*by Jerry Halstead*

I attended Cursillo in November '06. At my Cursillo, I met two of the team members, Don and Bobbie Hopkins, who had organized and led a medical mission to Honduras. They talked about their mission trips and the impact that it had on their lives. I have had experience in the medical field and had always wanted to go on a medical mission trip, but it had never worked out for me to make one of the medical trips. After a good amount of prayer and speaking with Don and Bobbie, I knew I was being called to go on the trip in January of '07.

All people on the trip pay their expenses for air travel to Honduras, lodging, and food. At the time I decided to make the trip, I had only 2 months to raise the money to pay my way for the week. After a lot of prayer and help from friends, family and church, I raised enough money.

On our trip we had enough people to have three medical teams. This allowed us to go to three villages per day for 5 days. We were able to see over 2,300 people during this time. The vast majority of the people who were seen would not have been able to have any medical attention without this mission.

Honduras was an eye opener for me. You hear about

how poor some places are, but being there and seeing first hand will open your eyes and make you appreciate everything you have on a daily basis. Many of the places where we conducted clinics did not have electricity or running water. People would come from miles around to be able to see the doctors. We were tired everyday when we came back from our clinics days, but we had such a good feeling knowing that the little we were doing was making such a difference in a number of lives. I had great feeling of pleasure that I was able to use some of my skills and knowledge to help other people.

I feel that my Honduras experience helped me grow as a Christian and also as a person. I tend to treat people differently and have respect for things I took for granted in the past.

The mission trip to Honduras this year will be July 10-17th. It will cost about \$1275 per person and there are a limited number of people able to make this trip. It will be necessary to have a current passport. I will be doing a spotlight in February on this trip. All of those that have any interest, either going or helping with this mission please contact me ASAP by emailing me at [halsteadjj@yahoo.com](mailto:halsteadjj@yahoo.com) or call me at 259-5430.

## Stewardship Program at CEC Off to a Great Start in '08!

A big THANK YOU you to those of you who participated in the 2008 CEC Stewardship program since its inception on InGathering Sunday, Nov 11th!!

The response has been very good and instrumental in helping CEC address needed projects throughout the year. In addition, CEC was well represented by your assistance at the November and December outreach ministry events --- CARES by Apartment Life and Angel Food Ministies --- and I anticipate seeing many more of you at the CEC Grounds Cleanup and Tree-trimming Day at CEC on January 19th from 10am - 3pm!

For more specific information about the stewardship program results thus far or for questions about

upcoming ministry events, please contact me or attend the annual parish meeting on Sunday, Jan 13. In the meantime, please stay tuned for more news from the Stewardship team on Sunday, February 10, when we launch an exciting, parish-wide stewardship program for the season of Lent.

-Andrew Verdesca  
CEC Stewardship Chair, 2008

## JANUARY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### Jan. 6

10:30 a.m. Burl Judy/Kristi Gordy: **Lectors**  
Burl Judy/Kristi Gordy: **LEMs**  
Elizabeth Burba/Cindy Wells: **Hosp**  
Polly Enders/Betty Sigler: **Altar Guild**  
Mandy Moore/Arthur Callaway: **Ushers**

### Jan. 13

10:30 a.m. Carolyn Dupy/Kathy Wood : **Lectors**  
Carolyn Dupy/Randall Holahan: **LEMs**  
Shirley Murphy/Cindie Scanlon: **Hosp**  
Cathy Valusek: **Altar Guild**  
Travis and Joel Holliman: **Ushers**

### Jan. 20

10:30 a.m. Bill Sterling/Jan Buntebart: **Lectors**  
Bill Sterling/Jan Buntebart: **LEMs**  
Fran Hart/Jan Buntebart: **Hospitality**  
Jobie Guzman/Sue Couchman: **Altar Guild**  
Frank Wells/Mike Reeh: **Ushers**

### Jan. 27

10:30 a.m. Sarah Martinez/Jeanette Holahan: **Lectors**  
Sarah Martinez/Jeanette Holahan: **LEMs**  
Muriel Kalita/Jan Halstead: **Hospitality**  
Tony and Elias Martinez: **Ushers**  
Martha McEver: **Altar Guild**

### Feb. 3

10:30 a.m. Cindie Scanlon/Kathryn Bonner: **Lectors**  
Cindie Scanlon/Kathryn Bonner: **LEMs**  
Elizabeth Burba/Cindy Wells: **Hospitality**

## CEC Annual Meeting scheduled between services Jan. 13

The Christ Episcopal Church Annual Meeting will be held Jan. 13 at 9:15 a.m. The meeting will feature reports on the growth of our church as well as short reports on all ministry accomplishments in '07. Outgoing vestry members will also be recognized for their service.

Come join us during the Sunday School hour to celebrate our church's accomplishments last year and exciting plans to become a parish in 2008 and live into the mission we are all called to serve.

## Adult Sunday school kicks off new study Jan. 6: Christian Character

All are invited to a new Adult Education study on Christian Character which will explore what it means to be a Christian in today's world. Adult Sunday School meets every Sunday in the library at 9:15 a.m. The study is part of the LifeGuide series which approaches topics from a biblical standpoint and through lively discussion, encourages us to look at how we apply these biblical principals into our everyday lives. As usual, no prior study or bible knowledge is necessary. Come as you are.



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