## November 2010

Ah, November. One month closer to Christmas! Yay! Here in the USA, November means Thanksgiving is coming. Turkey, stuffing, family, football, time off from school, the start of the Christmas season - but wait a moment... Where's the thanks in all that? The Bible is just full of verses that talk about giving thanks: Phil 1:3 "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you" or Psalm 107:1 "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good" and I Thes. 5:18 "give thanks in all circumstances" - just to name a few. Sometimes I think people are more likely to complain about something or someone than to be thankful. And that's not what God commands us to do. He says we should be thankful.

God has given us so much: His beautiful creation, animals, sight, music, people, crayons, sports, school (and time off from school): but how often do we stop to thank Him for it? Perhaps right now you should stop and thank God for what He's done for you. Start with thanking Him for the Lord Jesus who is the Savior of the world - and remember to thank God every day. Then you will really be able to celebrate Thanksgiving!


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\text { THE BEST REASON } \\
\text { TO BE THANKFUL } \\
\text { ON THIS THANKSGIVING? } \\
\text { by Chaplain Jim Freed }
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Thanksgiving is a wonderful time of the year. Most of us will be with loved ones, eating good food, laughing and thinking about all that we have to be thankful for. Maybe we got a new toy, or a new pet, or maybe we made a new friend. Whatever it is we must be careful not to forget the one who gave it to us.
Did you ever give someone a gift and have them forget to say thank you? Or did you ever give someone a gift and they didn't take it? That is even worse than not saying thank you.
The Bible says that God gave us the very best gift He could. What made it the best is that He loved it more than anything else in the world. It was His Son. The Bible says "For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16 But this gift will not be yours unless you take it.
If you have never prayed to ask Jesus to be your Savior by forgiving your sins and coming into your life, you need to do so today. That will make God the Father and the angels in Heaven happy, and you will have the best reason in the world to be thankful on this Thanksgiving!



A Christian lady from "Bible League" found Bible passages about Jesus that helped Bonito. "She told me about a Man who had gone through sad times," Bonito says. "His friends had left Him; I felt the same way."
Bonito studied the Bible with the lady and discovered the awesome love of Jesus - the "Man" who knew how he felt. "It was great meeting that Person who is so real to me today!" he exclaims. "I attend the Bible Study groups and want my family to meet Him too." www.btbleleague org
You can help Bonito's family meet Jesus too by praying for them. Remember to pray for the many poor families in Mexico in need of health care, food and education. Pray that they meet Jesus too and grow to love Him as Bonito did.

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOVEMBER
2 Allison, Wisconsin
3 Josiah, New Jersey
6 Alika, Wisconsin
8 Sammy, California
8 Sara, California
9 Ashley, New Jersey
14 Nicole, Pennsylvania
14 Thomas, Pennsylvania
14 Joseph, Antilles
15 Hayden, Texas
17 Stefan, New Jersey
18 Lukens, Wisconsin
19 Jonathan, West Indies
19 Benjamin, West Indies
21 Megan, Ohio
25 Becca, Wisconsin
28 Hunter, New Hampshire


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[^1]The words below all relate to Thanksgiving Can you find them? Look up, down, across and diagonally
$P U M P K I N Q C L T G$ PI HS WO L LE FM N B MLONREDAPAI $Z O A G U E S T S Q N V$ $S E V A R B Y S L C K I$ FHJKPIEEMHFG $G N T S C T M \vee P \mid u S$ IR U O U A WRXELK $O B R F G T S A E F Z$ $\vee N K J P I V H R N$ Y $A$ CDEHINDIANEH $R E Y A R P K M Q O L T$
PIE CORN CHIEF FEAST BRAVES INDIAN GUESTS TURKEY HARVEST PILGRIM PUMPKIN THANKFUL FELLOWSHIP THANKSGIVING

## WHERE'S THE FEAST?

Help Indian Tom and Indian Joe find the right trail to the Pilgrim Feast.
They want to bring a turkey. Can you help them find one?


## Dinner Table Place Markers

On the next page is what we call "CLIP ART". You use it by cutting it out and applying it to something else. We have provided this clip art for you to make place markers for each person at your Thanksgiving dinner. You may copy the page on a copy machine to make a place marker for each person.

Follow these directions for making place markers:

1. Color the turkey, girl and boy Pilgrim on the next page.
2. Cut them out.
3. Cut card stock (a stiff paper for making greeting cards from the craft store) 4 inches by 10 inches. You will get two place markers from each sheet of card stock.
4. Fold the place marker in half to make a tent.
5. Glue the colored clip art to the top of the folded place marker.
6. Under the picture you will have room enough to print some one's name.
7. You now have a place marker for each person at your Thanksgiving dinner. Everyone will enjoy the decorations you have made.




The fall harvest was so good in 1621 and the Pilgrims were so thankful that they invited their Native American friends to a feast.
(Read and memorize Psalm 100)

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Hi Pals!
When they told me this issue of Kids' Talk was about "Being Thankful," I thought to myself, "No Problem!"

I grabbed a pencil and a piece of paper and I quickly wrote down all the things I'm thankful for... then I showed it to Uncle
Bill. He sighed like he does sometimes when he's going to tell me I don't understand. He said, "Phineas, this is just a list of stuff. There are a lot more important things in this world than stuff." Then he reminded me of the story about the Pilgrims and the Indians at that first Thanksgiving dinner and how they were thankful to God even though they didn't have any of the stuff on my list.

I looked at all the stuff on my list. And, I guess I could live without it, though I think it would be hard. I really like my games and toys and things.

Besides stuff, I guess what I'm really thankful for is my family. I'm thankful we haven't been really sick this year. I'm thankful for my friends. And, I know there are boys and girls who don't even have those things; yet, many of them are still thankful to God for what they do have.

I think too, the most important thing to be thankful for - no matter how much stuff we have or where we live or how we feel - the most important thing to be thankful for is that God loves us, and takes care of us, and that Jesus died for us so we can go to heaven and be with Him some day.

So, when somebody asks you what you're thankful for this year, be careful not to give them a list of your stuff, but tell them what you're really thankful for.

And another thing I'm thankful for...Christmas is next month! Bye!

## PILGRIMS' 1621 THANKSGIVING WORD SEARCH

The words you are looking for have something to do with the Pilgrims' first Thanksgiving. The words may go up, down, across, and diagonal.
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$Z T T S E V R A R G N$
$R H A P E Q E R L A K$
E E E S D T J U A B I S
$E R H V A F O A E F M G$
D ZWX YO I B MES I
$E A B C S W C C N A V$
$V D E F Z L E D R S X I$
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F I S H BA S SC O D G
PILGRIMS THANKSGIVING REJOICE THREE DAYS GATHER HARVEST FEAST INDIANS CORNMEAL WHEAT FOWL FIVE DEER WILD TURKEY FISH BASS COD

## A THANKSGIVING GAME CRAFT

Make 12 pairs of matching cards like the one pictured below. This craft is for any season or any occasion, birthday, travel, holiday, etc.

## YOU WILL NEED:

4 pieces of thin cardboard (cereal box) or card stock ( $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 11^{\prime \prime}$ )
12 pairs of small pictures for the occasion (from computer or magazines)
Scissors, Glue, Ruler, and Marker
Pattern below
DIRECTIONS:
From thin cardboard or card stock, cut 24 cards ( $2 \frac{1}{2}{ }^{\text {" }} \times 3^{\text {" }}$ ) Glue pictures (or draw your own) on the 24 cards, a pair of each picture Gather your friends together and play the game. Rules are below.

## THANKSGIVING...THANKSGIVING...THANKSGIVING...THANKSGIVING

FUN MATCH
MEMORY CARDS

2-6 players, 3 players are best.
Lay the 24 cards on the table face down.
On the first turn, each player picks up a card.
On the second turn, each player picks up a second card. If it matches the first card, you have a pair. Place each pair in front of you. Continue to take turns selecting a card and making pairs. When all the cards have been picked up, the player with the most pairs wins the game.



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 NAME, AGE AND ADDRESS ON YOUR LETTER, PICTURE, OR PUZZLE AND SEND IT TO: KIDS' TALK, PO BOX 446, TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754FROM OUR MAIL BOX



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Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.



[^0]:    ~~~~~~Pray for the children in Mexico~ Pray for the children in Mexico~
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[^1]:    "The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23

