

# AYF YOUTH Snacks Needed

Bottled Water

Flavored Water

Juice Boxes / Capri Sun / etc

Fruit Cups

Chips, Pretzels

Pre-packaged are much appreciated!

Thanks for your generosity!

You may place donations in AYF box provided  
in **Room 122** or deliver to the Youth Room  
on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

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## 2021 NUMBERED OFFERING ENVELOPES

The Huntingdon CMA church 2021 Offering Envelopes are available in the church foyer area. If anyone would like to start using the offering envelopes or make a change..etc...please contact Chris Yarnell, Jay Stolkovich or put a note in the offering plate. Thank you..

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## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a blood drive at the CMA church Tuesday December 29 from 12:30PM - 6:00PM in the Fireside Room. Call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule an appointment. Long Sleeved Red Cross T-Shirts will be given away while supplies last.



**American  
Red Cross**

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DECEMBER Food Bank Item:

Instant Mashed Potatoes or Canned Vegetables

DECEMBER PRAYER FOCUS: HONDURAS

Copies of the OCTOBER Governing Board minutes & Treasure Reports are available in the foyer area near the church office.

# The Christian Missionary Alliance Church



December 6, 2020

*Together, we will glorify God  
and make disciples by sharing the  
love of Jesus with the world.*

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Announcements

Call to Worship

\*Praise and Worship Music

Offertory Prayer

\*Hymn 73

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 40:1-11

Pastor Prayer

Message

“The Ordinances”

Communion & Baptism

\*Closing Hymn 74

Ivory Palaces

\*Benediction

At the close of each service, we offer you the opportunity to come to the altar rail. For anointing, prayer, and/or counsel, come to the right side (organ side). To spend time alone with God, come to the left side (piano side). Please respond as the Lord leads.

\*Please stand as you are able



Nursery Today:

Gwen Culbertson

*Please contact Gwen Culbertson or the Church Office if you would like to volunteer as a worker*

Next Sunday:

Gwen Culbertson

# IMPORTANT COVID NEWS ...

As you no doubt are aware, there has been an increase of COVID cases in Huntingdon. To do our part in mitigating further spread, we want to remind you to wear your mask until we are finished singing (and anytime you are moving around the church). In addition, we will be increasing our sanitation efforts by purchasing a fogger (sanitizing spray) to be used after each service. We will also begin temperature checks as you come in.

We are very encouraged by the desire for further fellowship after church. This is normally a blessing. However, we ask for this time to be brief so as to give our workers an opportunity to begin the sanitation process.

Thank you all for your patience and love for your brothers and sisters in Christ.

*On behalf of the Governing Board, Pastor Rob*

**So Please Wear a Mask....**In the interest of comfort, please wear a mask until the sermon begins & put it on after the sermon ends. Again, we understand people have strong feelings on both sides of this issue. Remember, this is not an essential issue, rather a love issue. Let's love each other well.

## ADULT SENIORS 55 or Older... Attention Seniors!

TUESDAY 12/8/20 DETWILER FIELD – WALKING 9:30 AM



COMING ATTRACTIONS!

BOARD GAMES TBD

MOVIE(S) AT THE CLIFTON 5 TBD

LUNCHEON TBD

Contact person: Ruth Scalia  
by email or phone: [rscaliam316@comcast.net](mailto:rscaliam316@comcast.net)  
or text my phone (814) 386-9530

## CHILL CHASERS ... THANK YOU!!

The Salvation Army would like to thank you for supporting their annual Chill Chasers Drive. Your generous donations of winter clothing are greatly appreciated. These donations will go a long way in providing assistance to our friends and neighbors in Huntingdon County. God bless you for caring hearts.

RECEIVED LAST WEEK		ACCUMULATED TOTAL	
[Weekly General Fund Budget(planned)]	\$ 3,945.71]		
General Fund (received)	\$ 2,515.29		
Building Fund	\$ 20.00	Building Fund	\$ 90,424.09
Other Funds	\$ .00		
Great Commission Fund	\$ 280.00	Great Commission Fund	\$ 46,975.96
		Great Commission Year-End Offering	\$
Other Missions	\$ 100.00	Great Commission Sunday Offering	\$ 270.00
<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>\$ 2,915.29</b>		

The Ordinances  
Baptism & Communion



**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**WHO WILL YOU CALL THIS WEEK?**

Who will you call to be an encouragement and build up the body of Christ?

**WELCOME VISITORS**

We are grateful you have decided to worship with us. Would you take a moment after the service and find Pastor Rob and introduce yourself? He will find a visitor information card for you to fill out. He might even invite you out for lunch.

*Good to have you here!*

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**The MISSION's COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!**

The Mission's Committee is looking for new members. If you are interested in helping to fulfill The Great Commission in Huntingdon and Pennsylvania, the United States, and the rest of the world; please contact Duane or Margie Steiner. Call (760) 371-5335 or Email: [psychodancer@verizon.net](mailto:psychodancer@verizon.net). Thank you!

*The Joy of the Lord is My Strength!*

**The 7 Sacraments of the Catholic Church**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 28:19)\*
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 19:14)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Corinthians 11:23-29)\*
4. \_\_\_\_\_ (James 5:15-16)
5. \_\_\_\_\_ (James 5:13-16)
6. \_\_\_\_\_ (Ephesians 2:8-10)
7. \_\_\_\_\_ (Ephesians 5:21-33)

\* We call these \_\_\_\_\_.

**OTHER NOTES**

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**DECEMBER FOOD BANK**

**Boxes of Instant Mashed Potatoes**

**or**

**Canned Vegetables**



*"He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God."*

*2 Corinthians 9:10-11*

Thank you for your donations of the  
**CRANBERRY SAUCE & STOVETOP STUFFING**  
and \$790

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Various small groups/Bible studies are available through the week – just ask for details

<b>TODAY:</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>
	<b>Baptism Service – Rev Rob Hill</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	<b>Governing Board Meeting</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	<b>Alliance Youth Fellowship</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
	<b>studentsnworship@huntingdoncma.org</b>	
	<b>Prayer Meeting</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>
	<b>Morning Worship – Rev Rob Hill</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>
<b>12/24/20:</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Service</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>
<b>12/29/20:</b>	<b>Red Cross Blood Drive</b>	<b>NOON</b>

For the morning worship service

Go online/live to....

“Huntingdon CMA Church” Facebook Page

OR [www.huntingdoncma.org](http://www.huntingdoncma.org) & select “LIVE STREAM”

# ALLIANCEWOMEN

Every woman is invited to join us in the Fireside room at HCMA for our next gathering of Alliance Women on **Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 6:30 pm**. We exist to connect women for Kingdom impact globally because the gospel is for all people, locally because the gospel transforms communities, and within the church body because the gospel deepens relationships.

If you would like to learn a method for sharing the gospel, come before our meeting at 6:00 pm for an interactive gospel presentation.

This month, Brittany Vaughn will share how the Lord is using her to make a Kingdom impact here in Huntingdon.

Bring your *One Message* book and be ready to discuss the questions for Week 4.

*For questions, please contact Janie Hill at 360-580-2389.*

## Honduras



Population: 9,588,000  
mostly Mestizo (mix of  
European and Native)

Government:  
Presidential Republic,  
stable until coups in  
2009, 2017

Wealth: one of the  
poorest nations in the  
western hemisphere

Industry: mainly agricultural, growing textile

Natural Resources: Natural resources include timber, gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc, iron ore, antimony, coal, fish, shrimp, coffee, tropical fruit, sugar cane

Considered one of the most violent regions of the world

Religion: 46% Catholic, 41% Protestant, 12% Other

Honduras reports that more than 4 million people were affected by two category 4 hurricanes Eta, on November 3 and 15 miles south, Iota, on November 16.

Across Honduras 969 shelters are housing 88,700 people.

COVID-19 cases are rapidly rising in Honduras.

2.5 million people in Honduras have limited or no access to health services due to storm damage.

### Pray

They get medical, food, and shelter supplies where needed.

Hillsides stabilize from mud slides.

Churches are a beacon of light in this dark time.

## COMMUNION INFORMATION

Here at HCMA, we practice 'open communion.' What that means is, if you are a Christ-follower of any church background, we welcome you warmly into this ordinance.

### What is communion?

- It is a step of faith acknowledging what Jesus has done. (John 13)
- it is a ceremony of remembrance of what Jesus has done. (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)
- It is a celebration of what Jesus will do. (Acts 1:11)
- Finally, it is also an act of obedience. (1 Corinthians 11:24)

### Who is communion for?

In a word, Christians. Anyone can eat a cracker and drink a little grape juice, but that is not communion. Communion is far greater than a 'snack'.

Communion has its root in the idea of *charis* (care-us). The Greek word for grace. We celebrate the grace of God when we celebrate communion.

### Things to consider before taking communion:

**Your Relationship with Jesus.** If you do not yet have a saving faith in Jesus, I would recommend letting the plate pass you by, or better yet, place your faith in Jesus right now!

**Your Relationship with Others.** In 1 Corinthians 11:28, we are told to examine ourselves. In Matthew 5:23, we are told to ensure we quickly solve relationship issues. If you have problems with others please, just let the plate pass you by—or again, better yet, make things right prior to taking communion.

## HEALING INFORMATION

As part of the Christian & Missionary Alliance, adhering to the Four-Fold Gospel, we believe that Jesus is not only our Savior, our Sanctifier, our Coming King—but also Jesus is our Healer.

In the gospels, we see Jesus navigating His journey in and around Jerusalem. We see His earthly ministry involved many miracles, all of which are amazing. Amongst these many miracles, we see Jesus doing healings. He would heal people of many illnesses:

Matthew 12:15      Matthew 14:14      Matthew 15:30  
Matthew 21:14      Luke 4:40      Luke 9:11  
Mark 3:10      Plus many, many more

Perhaps one of the most important passages is found in Isaiah 53:5, "But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed."

This passage finds its completion in the New Testament. Specifically, Matthew 8:14, "14 When Jesus came into Peter's home, He saw his mother-in-law lying sick in bed with a fever. 15 He touched her hand, and the fever left her; and she got up and waited on Him. 16 When evening came, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed; and He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were ill. 17 This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: "HE HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES AND CARRIED AWAY OUR DISEASES."

We also see in Acts, that healing continued because of Jesus (Acts 3). And in the book of James, we are told to call for the elders if we are sick. They will then pray over you and anoint you with oil (James 5:14). Also in the book of James, we are told that the prayer of a righteous person can accomplish great things, and that we are to confess our sins—and any sins confessed, will be forgiven (James 5:15-16).

So, if you come to the altar today, come prepared to answer two questions:

- 1) What are you specifically asking the Lord to heal you from?
- 2) Is there anything that might keep the Lord from accomplishing this?

\*\*\*We just ask that if you do not come to the altar, that you sit and quietly pray for those who do come forward.\*\*\*

## 2020-2021 SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS "UPDATES!"

### Nursery – 2 year old:

Room 133 – Bonita Dickson

### PRESCHOOL - 3 year old through kindergarten:

Room 124 - Bethlyn Corbin

### Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade:

Room 210 – Trish Norris

### 3rd, 4th and 5th grade:

Room 213 - Mike Corbin

### TEENS - Junior & Senior High School:

Room 204 - Christian Long

### Young Adult Class:

Room 132 - Jerry Claybaugh

Informal conversation time with coffee and donuts, time for prayer, scripture reading and encouragement in our walk with Christ.

### Women's Bible Study:

Room 134 – Sue Himel

Ladies bible study group December study “**A Resurrection Matters**”. Beginning January 3, 2021 Janie Hill will lead “**The Armor of God**”.

### Shifter's Class:

Room 207 – Jesse Honn

This class is a discussion format - we sit in a circle, Scripture is the curriculum, the class wrestles openly with questions of, not only what the text means, but how it applies to us every day. All adults are welcomed. Current study is “**First Corinthians**”.

### Berean Class:

Fireside Room - Mike and Beth Long

The curriculum covers Books of the Bible - studying Old Testament one quarter then moving to the New Testament in the next. This quarter the study is **I, II Samuel**. All adults are welcomed.

### Ambassador Class:

Room 106 - Chuck Culbertson

The Ambassadors has the same curriculum as the Berean class in a smaller group setting. Group discussion is greatly encouraged. It is generally attended by the older generation. This quarter the study is **I, II Samuel**.

*Hebrews 10:25: "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another -----and all the more as you see the Day approaching."*



## ***YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHURCH WHEN SHOPPING ON AMAZON!***

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1. [Go to smile.amazon.com!](https://smile.amazon.com/) (must use this login)
  2. Log in with your Amazon username and password (if you aren't automatically logged in already)!
  3. Search "**Huntingdon Christian and Missionary Alliance Church**" to select us for your donation of choice - this can be changed/updated anytime!
  4. Continue shopping on Amazon like you always do!
- A portion of any eligible purchases will go to your chosen charity each time you shop. Whenever you visit Amazon moving forward the site will remind you to use the Amazon Smile program. REMEMBER WEBSITE ADDRESS TO USE IS NOW:*

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# GIVE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD THIS CHRISTMAS



YEAR-END OFFERING



Jesus entered the world to lead humankind out of darkness and into the light. But His mission remains *unfinished*. God has raised up The Alliance to be one of His end-times families to carry the light of the gospel to the remaining least-reached corners of the world—until ALL have had the opportunity to hear. And we won't stop until the job is done.

These are uncertain and difficult times, but a crucial time for the gospel. We are experiencing a once-in-a-generation opportunity, as many around the world will encounter Jesus for the very first time because of the continued faithful presence of Alliance workers.

**This Christmas, will you give the gift of gospel presence by supporting your Alliance workers as they bring Jesus into the unfinished stories of the world's lost, wandering, and overlooked?**



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### You may also give....



**Give by phone:** Have a credit or debit card ready and call toll free, 1-866-443-8262, M-F 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. MT



**Give through Alliance Life Magazine** by using the response slip and envelope provided in the November/December issue.



**Give a non-cash gift** (such as stocks, charitable gift annuities, Donor-Advised Funds, IRA rollovers, real estate, wills and bequests) to ensure a lasting gospel presence in some of the most spiritually desolate corners of the world. Visit <https://cmalliance.giftlegacy.com>.

Questions? Contact [give@cmalliance.org](mailto:give@cmalliance.org)

Learn more about how your gift this Christmas will bring the Light of the World to those dwelling in darkness by visiting

[www.cmalliance.org/yearend](https://www.cmalliance.org/yearend)

# FAMILY MATTERS

Answers to your questions...

**My husband doesn't want to talk—ever. What's your advice on improving communication between a husband and wife?**

**ANSWER:**

Many couples need help to discuss their needs in a productive way. It's not a technique we're born with. It's like a muscle that needs to be developed. The following suggestions may help.

1. Read about differences in communication styles. This may provide clues to why your spouse tends to be the silent type, or why you tend to talk things out.
2. Learn not to take things personally. Sometimes our expectations, set in child-

hood, need to be seen with adult perspective.

3. Don't overanalyze your partner. You may think you know what's going on, but you can't read his or her mind.
4. Talk about your feelings in a non-accusatory way. Otherwise a reluctant talker can be driven further away, especially when discussing emotions.
5. Ask your spouse what would make him feel less overwhelmed regarding communication. Would it help if you set aside a regular time for talking?
6. Ask your spouse for a specific, short commitment of time. Most reluctant talkers can handle a conversation if they know

it won't last forever. Let your mate set the limit.

7. Learn how each other's personality type shapes communication style. Make the process fun—a discovery of your uniqueness, not an opportunity to stereotype each other.

One of the hardest things for couples to learn is to lay down their lives for each other in daily life. This involves sacrifice—not demanding your rights but loving another as you love yourself. God promises to help us by His Holy Spirit if we ask.

(Adapted from the *Complete Guide to the First Five Years of Marriage*, general editors Phillip J. Swihart and Wilford Wooten)

## TOUGH QUESTIONS FROM KIDS

**ANSWER:**

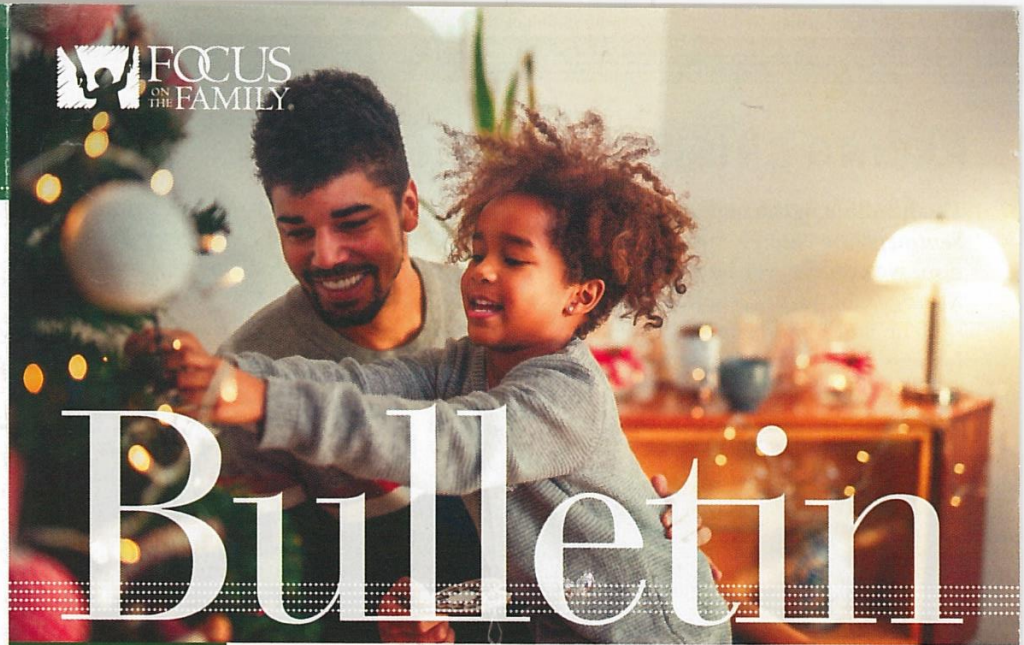
**Evil is another word for what is bad or sinful. It's anything that goes against God and displeases Him. This includes a selfish attitude, bad actions and ignoring God. The devil tries to get people to turn against God and disobey Him. But we can overcome evil in ourself and in the world by giving our life to Jesus. God is far greater than Satan.**

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# Bulletin

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Celebrating Jesus' Birth

## GREATNESS COMES QUIETLY

BY JIM DALY

EVERY STORY HAS A HERO. IN THE BELOVED CHRISTMAS CLASSIC *It's a Wonderful Life*, some say it's George Bailey. Others say the hero is Clarence, Angel Second Class, who saved George's life. Clarence and George play important roles in the story, but Mary Bailey gets my vote. As George's wife and the mother of their four children, she anchors the family for years as George struggles with his identity crisis.

Consider Mary's patience and strength. As newlyweds, she and George were so poor they could only afford a drafty old house. Instead of complaining, Mary did what she could to turn their rickety house into a home.

Later, she supported George when he used all of their money to save the Bailey Building and Loan . . . and much of Bedford Falls. And when George needed help, Mary rallied the community to save him. It appears Mary's strength came from her prayers. When George stormed away in anger, Mary urged her children to pray for their dad.

We overlook heroism when it's understated. Christmas is a wonderful time to remember that greatness often comes quietly, as it did in the form of a helpless baby to another quiet woman named Mary.

Tough  
Questions  
from Kids

What  
is evil?





## FACING CRISIS TOGETHER

The headline in the newspaper was unthinkable! The front page of the *Orlando Sentinel* showcased a familiar face—that of our son, Jason. In our wildest imagination, we could never have conceived of the headline: “Blemish for Navy Officer—Murder Charge in Orlando Shooting.” A family crisis.

Gene and I had been awakened in the middle of the night with the news that Jason, a U.S. Naval Academy graduate with an impeccable record, had shot and killed his wife’s first husband.

For several months after Jason’s arrest for this heinous crime, I had trouble going about simple daily tasks, and Gene and I had strained communication. We were a Christian couple who had raised an only child. He had been a good kid with a heart to serve God and his country. How could this horrific crime have happened?

Our marriage faced new challenges. Our distress over Jason left us short-tempered, and sometimes little disagreements escalated into full-blown arguments. Money became an ever-present source of tension: Where would the funds for a good attorney come from? Should we

continue to minister in light of our son’s actions? (We were in full-time Christian ministry; speaking and writing provided our only income.)

Following such devastating news and with a strain on our relationship, we didn’t know how we could make good decisions, let alone talk to each other. We discovered that when we regularly spent time with the Lord—alone and together—Scripture passages we were reading helped to confirm our decisions. We discussed the options, shared what we believed God was nudging us to do, and then made the next important choice without looking back.

One day Gene looked at me tenderly and said, “I couldn’t do this without you. The journey is too hard.” We were learning step by step and day by day that we could survive, and maybe even learn how to thrive by staying committed to being “in this together.”

—Carol Kent



## KIDS NEED GOOD FRIENDS

I don’t know about you, but I can still vividly remember playing sports with friends, laughing, playing video games, dreaming, going to camp and sharing painful moments with friends as I grew up. And now as a dad, I’ve gotten to listen to my son and daughter try to decipher and process dynamics and moments with their friends.

The reality is that friendships can quickly shift and can take a child on a wild emotional ride. So as our kids head back to school and re-establish their friendships, it is critical that we, as parents, guide them to make wise choices when choosing friends.

Friendships have a fascinating impact on our lives—some positive and some negative. Friendships can motivate and can distract. My daughter has said, “Dad, I can’t help laughing in class when my friends start laughing.” There is something contagious about friends. As a dad and as a counselor, I have seen the incredible impact friendships can have on children.

—Danny Huerta

## CREATE A CULTURE OF RESPONSIBILITY

A few years ago, I had the honor of teaching graduate students at Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. Summers in the Windy City can be scorching hot and the winters can be brutally cold. Imagine if, in mid-February, I had walked to the back of that classroom and opened all the windows. I could stand at the front of the room and expound on anything I wanted. My teaching should be the students’ primary focus while in class. But the reality of the arctic air blasting into the classroom would dominate the experience of those students.

Just like the weather, culture beats words any time. One way to describe culture could be as a climate used to build a healthy sense of responsibility into a child’s life. That climate will impact the focus of our children.

There are several great articles out there that outline the specifics of how to teach a child responsibility. For example, chore charts or age-specific tasks are great tools. But in addition to the specifics, we need to be aware of the culture of healthy responsibility that is either present or absent in our home. Our children need to know the reasons why being responsible—even when it’s hard—is a gift to them, their family and others.

—John Trent