



# The Satellite

## A junior high Sunday school class communication

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WHEW!!!!!!! It's February, nearly March now, and I haven't sent out a satellite! My apologies! For those who haven't been to class in awhile, please believe me when I say it isn't for lack of things happening! For those of you who have been in class, you know what I mean and can back me!!! At any rate, it's good to be back in your mailbox or inbox! Hope your year has been off to a great start as ours has been.



**BIRTHDAYS!** Oh my goodness do I have catching up to do!!!! Happy belated birthday in January to: Elizabeth Zehr, Hannah Zehr, Alex Elsea, Nikki Salander and Maranda Geller!!! Happy belated birthday in February to: Jacob Crum, Alaine Banninga, and Justin Hallead. All of you are too good to forget!!!

### What's been going on....

We began and will continue to add to a Christian Year Calendar. It helps us to remember the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. We added candle markers on the dates for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays in advent. We then added symbols of a manger and a candle for the birth of Jesus. We added a star for Epiphany and learned that it is the celebration of the first manifestation of Christ to the people. We added a baptismal shell, marking the baptism of Jesus and talked about the temptation He faced when sent into the wilderness by the Holy Spirit. It was a great way for us to relate to the fact that Christ really does know what it is like to be tempted and yet not give in.

We talked about resolutions and their tradition, and tied it into the twelve disciples' resolve to follow Christ. We took turns giving a "sermon on the chair" and telling the class 3 things we had learned about life. This prepared the way to learn about Jesus' sermon on the mount and it's essential lessons for life.

We explored how Jesus taught us the power of faith through the story of the healing of Jairus' daughter. We discovered that there is actually a faith story within another faith story in this situation. First, a man comes to Jesus with faith that he can touch his daughter and bring her back to life. On His way to the home of the man, an ailing woman reaches out in faith to simply touch the cloak of Jesus to be healed. In both situations, where faith was spoken or unspoken, Jesus honored their strong faith.



Finally, we want to include the youth in our C.P.R. training here at Pilgrim (Cultivating Personal Revival). We started the process by talking about revival itself. What it is, what we thought it was, who needs it, what it takes. It was a great discussion and it led into the following week's visit from Brother John! He spoke to the Jr. and Sr. High class on Valentine's Day about L.O.V.E. and it was awesome. Everyone was attentive and I think we all learned something new and valuable from him. We continue to explore all the things it takes to perform C.P.R. in our own lives in the weeks to come so that we are ready as God revives our souls!