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“GOD’S FAMILY” LUNCHEON AND COMBINED WORSHIP SET FOR JANUARY 20TH



The 2008 Micah 6 Luncheon and Combined Worship will have a different feel this year. Join us for both on Sunday, January 20th at University Baptist Church (at 22nd & Guadalupe streets). **All Micah 6 recipients, volunteers, supporters, and other members of Micah 6 congregations are invited to a luncheon to be served from noon to 1:30 p.m.** The luncheon will be

modeled on the “God’s Family Dinner” served to many Micah 6 recipients each Thursday. To partake in the full “God’s Family” experience, please approach the Fellowship Hall through the alley between Guadalupe and San Antonio streets.

The Combined Worship Service will take place upstairs in the Sanctuary. Wheelchair access to the Sanctuary is available on 22nd Street. The CWS consistently provides a meaningful worship experience that you will not want to miss. It will again feature the combined choirs from the Micah 6 churches and this year will also recognize the centennial celebration of UBC. Please join in this festive celebration of our unity in the service of Christ. UBC’s main entrance is located at 22nd & Guadalupe. Parking will be available in the “A” lot at 22nd & San Antonio.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

January 20, 2007

University Baptist Church

22nd & Guadalupe streets

Austin 78705

512.478.8559

12:00 “God’s Family” Luncheon

(Fellowship Hall - Basement level)

1:30 Combined Worship

(Sanctuary - Upper level)

*Special Music provided by Micah 6
combined church choirs.*

PANTRY NUMBERS

	Individuals	Households
Sept	3,340	1,195
Oct	2,286	860

STAFF CHANGES



WELCOME TO PANTRY DIRECTOR DIANA LEAL

Effective December 1, we welcome **Diana Leal** as our new Pantry Director. While serving in this position, Diana will receive credit for her second year internship and will complete the educational requirements for the Master of Social Work degree from Texas State University – San Marcos in May 2008. Diana brings a wealth of skills and experience to Micah 6. Currently and for the past nine years she has been employed at the Texas State Attorney General's Office in the Crime Victims Compensation program. She also served for nine years as a caseworker with the Lubbock MHMR Community Center and interned as a victim services counselor with the Austin Police Department. Diana is certified in Critical Stress Management, was a member of a Texas Senate Task Force on "Gangs" and speaks Spanish fluently. Diana has been involved with several Micah 6 projects over the past few months and looks forward to continuing as director after receiving her MSW. Welcome, Diana!



PANTRY DIRECTOR
DIANA LEAL

OTHER CHANGES AT M6A AND A SPECIAL THANKS

You'll remember that we bid farewell to **Scott Evans** in late summer as he and his wife moved on to new opportunities in Missouri. Until December when **Diana Leal** could be available, **Charles Locklin** generously agreed to serve as interim Pantry Director and chose to do so in a volunteer capacity. Since the inception of Micah 6 of Austin, Charles has dedicated countless hours and boundless energy to its work. December 1 marked the first day since the pantry's inception that Charles has not served as director or as a member of the board! We extend to Charles our deepest gratitude for his profound dedication to the pantry and, in particular, for the incredible gift of service he has offered during the past several months. We are heartened by the knowledge that he will continue as a faithful pantry volunteer in so many other ways. Thank you, Charles!

Please also note that, since the departure of Scott Evans, **Southwest Family Ministries** has decided to continue as a Micah 6 supporter but step back from its role as an official Micah 6 member.



Wednesday, December 12: Shop at Sweet Charity Gift Shop

The Sweet Charity Gift Shop will donate 25% of proceeds to any charity named by a shopper on Wednesday, December 12 from 9 am – 7 pm. Located in the 26 Door Shopping Center on 38th street west of Lamar, Sweet Charity has great gifts, food items and Christmas decorations. So, remember to shop at Sweet Charity on December 12th and designate Micah 6 Austin as your charity!

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A HAPPY THANKSGIVING AT THE PANTRY

On the Thursday and Saturday prior to Thanksgiving, Pantry volunteers distributed a combined total of 195 turkeys and chickens to pantry shoppers. It was a joyous week with plenty of other food for everyone. Many thanks to **Jim Harrington** and **Linda Williams** who were Pantry managers during these openings, to **Beth Kelley** who stocked the pantry very fully, to **Pat Smith** who diligently worked out the Capital Area Food Bank order, and to **Mary Bowles** who checked in the very large CAFB order and worked with **Charles Locklin** in optimizing the number of turkeys and chickens.

CLOTHING DONATIONS NEEDED AT UUMC'S FIG LEAF STORE

Micah 6 member congregations have been gathering clothing in November and December to be donated to the Fig Leaf Store at University United Methodist Church. Donations of men's clothing are particularly needed. All donations can be dropped off at UUMC at 24th and Guadalupe. The Fig Leaf is open from 9:00 – 11:30 on Saturday mornings. The store needs volunteers during its open hours, but also during off-hours (to sort clothes). If you're interested in volunteering or have other questions, contact the Store's Co-Chairs — **Emily Roe** at 799-8866 or **Pam Clinger** at 970-9485. The influx of clothing donations in November is yet another inspiring testament to the impact of the Micah 6 coalition working together to serve those in need.

SAVE THE DATE! CONCERTS BENEFITING M6A

Austin Singers will perform concerts on February 1 and 2, 2008, both benefiting Micah 6 of Austin. The Friday evening, Feb. 1 performance will be held at University Baptist Church at 8:00 p.m., and the Saturday, Feb. 2 concert will be held at 8:00 p.m. at Hope Presbyterian located near 183 and Anderson Mill. Last year, the two Austin Singers benefit concerts resulted in over \$1,300 for Micah 6. Plan to bring a friend!

GRANT AWARDED TO M6A

In November, Micah 6 of Austin received a \$3,000 grant check from the Episcopal Diocese of Texas to augment the pantry's food supply this fall. Many thanks to **Charles Locklin** and **Pastor Mike Adams** of All Saints Episcopal Church for submitting the grant application through the Austin Episcopal Convocation. The funds are already being used to expand the food supply for the holidays.

Member Churches

All Saints' Episcopal Church
Central Christian Church
Congregational Church of Austin
First English Lutheran Church
Hyde Park Presbyterian Church
Saint Austin Catholic Parish
University Avenue Church of Christ
University Baptist Church
University Christian Church
University United Methodist Church
University Presbyterian Church

The mission of Micah 6 of Austin is to work together to identify and meet the needs of the homeless and the impoverished in the University of Texas campus area.

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The Micah 6 Food Pantry is at
University Baptist Church
2107 San Antonio St. (at 22nd street)
Thurs 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. &
Sat 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

What does the Lord require of you?

