

# Faith in Action of Edgar County

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## ~ Christmas for Kids ~

*Faith in Action would like to help His Ministry - Amanda Fessant, in their campaign to provide a nice Christmas for approximately 500 children in the Edgar County area. We will be collecting new toys and appropriate age items for infant children through teenagers. These gifts may be brought unwrapped to the FIA Office at 104 E. Washington St. from now till December 15th.*

*See the enclosed flyer for more details or call 466-6388 for more information. ~Thanks~*

## Nila's Corner

It is hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner. Thanksgiving is now a memory and on to the excited rush of a new Holiday! While reading a daily devotion from Rick Warren, I had my eyes opened! It seems we have so many expectations of the Christmas Season that instead of joyously celebrating the birth of our Lord and Saviour we find ourselves hanging on to the very last sliver of our wits end.

I would like to share with you thoughts of Rick Warren's "Choices Control Your Calendar". His three simple steps to simplify your life are:

*First, figure out your purpose and let your purpose guide your life's goals.*

*Second, organize your activities based on your purpose.*

*Finally, harmonize your schedule with your purpose; bring your activities into agreement with your goals.*

What this is saying to me is..... Christmas time is a great opportunity to start aligning my purposes and goals with my activities.

By eliminating a few stressful activities, I will have more time to enjoy a less stressed Blessed and Joyous Holiday Season! How about You?

*Merry Christmas!*  
*Nila*

## We are Growing!

Faith in Action of Edgar County welcomes our newest volunteer **Nancy Jewell**! Nancy lives in Paris with her family and is joining us as a transportation volunteer. We are very happy to welcome her to the FIA Family. She has already been busy helping bring our residents home from dialysis!

*Nancy, welcome to Faith in Action of Edgar County!*

## We are Updating Our Records

Please let us know if you have a change in address, phone number, availability or volunteer interests. Contact the office by calling 466-6388 or email [fiac@joink.com](mailto:fiac@joink.com).

## Did You Know?

That when you use [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) to search the internet and designate Faith in Action of Edgar County as who you "Goodsearch for" you are helping to earn money for FIAEC? Goodsearch is in the process of sending their second annual check to FIAEC. It is not a lot, but every little bit helps to keep the wheels rolling!

Goodsearch is also listed on our [www.fiaec.com](http://www.fiaec.com) webpage.

## Join us for our Faith in Action Christmas Party at the Paris Burger King!

Plan to join us at Burger King Thursday Evening December the 11th! There will be a Concert, Christmas Caroling, Santa's helpers and treats for the kids! This will be a great Christmas Celebration! It is not everyday that you can sing praises of Christmas while enjoying a hamburger and french fries at Burger King! :-)

See the enclosed flyer for more details. If you have any questions call Nila at 217-466-6388

# Merry Christmas!

**FIA Wish List: postage stamps, copy paper white and color, mailing labels (1"x2 5/8"), black and color ink refills for our printers; Lexmark 70 and 20 or HP 21 and 22.**

**A BIG Thank You to Barbara Morgan, Trogdon Family and Lillie Davis for your donations of Greeting Cards. They are greatly appreciated!**



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#### Calendar of Events:

Dec. 3 FIA Board Meeting 8:30am  
Dec. 2 Card Angels FIA 10:00am  
**Dec. 11 Burger King Night Christmas**  
Dec. 18 New Volunteer Orientation  
Dec. 22 Pizza Hut Night/ Nila Hosting  
**Dec. 24 Christmas Eve - Office Closed**  
**Dec. 25 Christmas - Office Closed**  
**Jan 1 - New Year's Day - Office Closed**  
*Reminder: Volunteers Monday Morning  
Coffee Break 8:30 - 10:00  
each monday morning*



The Edgar County United Way supports  
Faith in Action. Please support the  
United Way of Edgar County

#### FAITH IN ACTION VOLUNTEERS.....ON THE MOVE!

##### MONTH OF OCTOBER 2008

Service	Hours
Transportation	117
Visiting	33
Shopping/Errands	4
Light Housekeeping	1
Yard Work	4
Telephone Contacts	11
Sewing and Mending	3
Meal Prep.	1
Special Projects	59
Office Assistance	137
Board Meetings/Fundraising	<u>51</u>
Total Hours	421 Hours
Total Miles Driven	3085 Miles
36 Volunteers reported hours for the month of October !	

175 contacts made with care receivers!

**THANK YOU FIAEC VOLUNTEERS!**

If you want to drop your timesheets after hours, use our little mail slot on the inside door.