

# =THE CROAKER=

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## President's Letter:

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby; keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

**Luke 2:8-12**

Blessed Aventurites!!

As we make our preparations for Christmas, the hustle and bustle of finding just the right gift, I pray that we do not lose sight of the real reason we are celebrating the greatest gift of all! I pray that each of us take the time to reflect on all that God has given us, the blessings of family and friends, and return to Him what He desires most of all from us - our hearts!!

I hope to see all of you at this month's reunion. We will be gathering at **Praise Christian Fellowship in Barkhamsted on Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** As usual there will be prayer and Scripture, introductions and games, a few announcements, an inspiring talk, plenty of snacks and a whole lot of fun!! It's just not the same if we don't see YOU there, so grab a few friends and hang out with us for the evening!!

We will also be having an assembly meeting in the next month or so to discuss some fundraising ideas, a possible talent show, some other fun activities, and whatever else we can think of. Stay tuned for more information via the Croaker and at the reunions!! All the more reason for joining us!! ☺

Until then, I wish each of you a very Blessed Christmas and a warm and happy New Year!

In Christ,

In His Name,

*Donna D.*

## TEAM LIST:

### Upcoming Reunions and Other Dates:

Please give some thought to hosting a reunion at your church.

**December:** Saturday, December 17, 7:00PM,  
Praise Christian Fellowship Church,  
Barkhamsted, CT  
**Downstairs, Please Park around Back**

For directions to the next reunion, please go  
here: <http://www.aventuract.org/nextreunion.php>

### Stuff to Note:

- For anyone interested, **Dennis Redline** and **Rachel LePine** are looking for Aventurites who are willing to act as voice actors to play in an audio adaptation of Dennis' book! We also need instruments to record music. Call **203-573-1780** or **203-819-3652** if you'd like to know more. =)

### Prayer Requests:

Please feel free to send prayer requests to our 'prayistas' Barb Clavette (JECravette.at.snet.net or 482-0172) and Sandy Miller (SanJeanM.at.AOL.com or 482-5601) and they will pass the appropriate ones along to the Croaker to be listed here. Be sure to let them know if you wish to remain anonymous or if you don't want the prayer published at all.

Pray for communities elsewhere - go  
to <http://aventuract.org/PalancaLoader.php> to list them.

### Birthdays:

December:

05- Victoria Vandergrift  
06- Victoria Rieley  
08- Josh Gill  
09- Shay DeRoode  
11- Dylan Morehouse  
13- Holly Sechow

## Bible Studies:

To find a Bible Study (for teens and adults), or to add one to the list that you're responsible for, click on the link or type <http://aventuract.org/BibleStudies.html> in your browser.

## Web Stuff to Note:

Art Richards and Rachel LePine are currently redesigning the Aventura site. Let us know what you'd like to see on the new site by messaging us on FaceBook!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/163216490364454/>

## Servants of Aventura:

<http://www.aventuract.org/officers.php>

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