

Wi-Fi HOTSPOT

If you would like to connect to the Internet here at the church, we've got good news for you, you can! And the best thing of all, it's free! All you have to do is click on the network that says **Faith Covenant Wi-Fi** and use the following password: *revolutionary*

SERMON NOTES: "Revolutionary Living"

1. The early Christians had revolutionary commitment to Christ's lordship
 2. The early Christians showed revolutionary compassion
 3. The early Christians showed revolutionary courage
 4. The early Christians prayed with revolutionary boldness
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"Revolutionary Living"

Leonidas, King of Sparta, was preparing to make a stand with his Greek troops against the Persian army in 480 B.C. when a Persian envoy arrived. The man urged on Leonidas the futility of trying to resist the advance of the huge Persian army. "Our archers are so numerous," said the envoy, "that the flight of their arrows darkens the sun." "So much the better," replied Leonidas, "for we shall fight them in the shade." Leonidas made his stand, and died with his 300 troops!

To live a life 100% committed to what you believe in is a life worth living. It takes being committed to what you believe in, which in turn demands courage and lots of prayer. In the Christian life we have the great cause to live for. The early Christians paved the way and we are called to follow in their footsteps! Today we look deeper into the revolutionary lives they lived. My prayer is that you will be inspired by their example and do the same! God bless you as you pursue being a liberator for Christ!

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Children and Youth's Mission Project

Last Sunday our kids made a silent announcement about sponsoring the annual Food Drive for Mercy's Gate. They would like to invite all of you to bring in bags of food to help fill the pantry at Mercy's Gate. Let's support the kids in their efforts to bring in the food for our neighbors who are in need of assistance.

Here's a list of the items that are needed:

Sugar, crackers, Rice-a-Roni, coffee, spaghetti sauce, flour, Ramen noodles, pinto beans (bag ONLY), large bag of rice, all canned vegetables (except corn and green beans), canned fruit, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, toiletry items and brown paper bags.

Farm Fresh Foods: fresh vegetables, fresh fruits and dairy products such as: eggs, cheese and butter.

Commitment

A missionary society wrote to David Livingstone and asked, *"Have you found a good road to where you are? If so, we want to know how to send other men to join you."* Livingstone wrote back, *"If you have men who will come only if they know there is a good road, I don't want them. I want men who will come if there is no road at all."*

- Good News Broadcaster,
April, 1985, p. 12.

Courageous

The late Earl J. Fleming, an Alaska state biologist, was perhaps the only man to investigate objectively the bear's reputation for attacking humans. When Fleming encountered a bear, he neither ran nor shot. At the end of his unique study, he had encountered 81 brown bears, and although several staged mock charges, not one actually attacked.

- Mark Walters, Reader's Digest,
November 1992, p. 35.

Soup and serve

Soup and Serve is back on October 21st! It starts @ 12:30pm at Arvada Covenant Church in Arvada Denver.

Here are five reasons you do not want to miss it:

- 1.Free Food** – Need we say more?
- 2.Shopping** – It's not often that we can shop for gifts and help women in need at the same time.
- 3.Service** – You will be helping to provide a foster child with a warm blanket! No sewing experience is needed but bringing a pair of scissors is appreciated. I love the quote from St. Francis of Assisi – "Preach the gospel always. If necessary use words." I think service is one of the quickest ways for others to see Christ reflected in your life.
- 4.Awareness** – It is no secret that Women Ministries has a passion for getting women and children out of human trafficking. Yet, we recognize that it is really difficult to hear about this topic. You will have the option to listen to a seminar that doesn't focus on the horrors of trafficking but that does focus on how we can help women and children around the world by the way we spend our money on everyday items!
- 5.Fellowship** – Shopping and serving are great ways to form and strengthen friendships with other women!

Adult Spiritual Formation Class

Simply Christian by N. T Wright

A word from Chuck: "The book Simply Christian by N. T. Wright is a bit reminiscent of Mere Christianity by C. S. Lewis. It is more theological and of course much more current. The book is divided into 3 parts. The first part, which we will cover in the first week, explores "echoes of a voice" and deals with universal feelings that point to something greater than us. Part 2 (weeks 2-4) lays out the central Christian belief about God. While this may seem elementary, I believe you will be challenged by Wright's insights to rethink your beliefs. Part 3 (weeks 5-7) deals with what it looks like in practice to follow Jesus, energized by the Spirit, and to advance the plan of the creator God. While it is not necessary, your experience in the class will be enhanced if you read the book before the class. Each class will cover about 30 pages of the book, 1-2 hours of reading. You will find the book easy to read and thought provoking. I will also post notes and provide a forum for discussion at SimplyChristian.eklund.io. I'm looking forward to a stimulating 7 weeks."

- Chuck Eklund.