

FALL SCHEDULE:

Aug. 26th – Sep. 23rd – “How to enjoy your life” Sermon series

September 16th – Progressive dinners tonight from 5pm

October 1st – 7th – Bible study groups launch

October 6th @ 8am – Men’s breakfast at Cracker Barrel on Academy & I-25

PRAYER REQUEST:

Brad Osmun is on deployment headed for the Persian Gulf and will be gone until next spring. Please pray for safety for him and for God to keep his wife Jessica in his care while he is gone. For those of you who are not familiar with Brad, he is a Navy Helicopter pilot on the Carrier John C. Stennis; attended Faith Cov during his high school years including confirmation, becoming a member, and going to CHIC, etc.

SERMON NOTES:

GOD’S PART IN CHANGING ME – 3 tools he uses:

1. The BIBLE
2. The HOLY SPIRIT
3. CIRCUMSTANCES

MY PART IN CHANGING ME – 3 choices that will help me change:

1. I can choose what I THINK ABOUT
2. I can choose to DEPEND ON GOD
3. I can choose my RESPONSE TO CIRCUMSTANCES

VOLUNTEERS TODAY

Formation Hour Nursery: Richard Martinez

Worship Hour Nursery: Lane Tande

Ushering: Cathy Ernst and Bruce Nicklas

Sound Board: Ray Sanford

Snacks: Gordon and Toni Kaufman

Coffee Set-up: Mark Miller

Closing: Mark and Susan Miller

Counting: Chuck Elkund and Cathy Ernst

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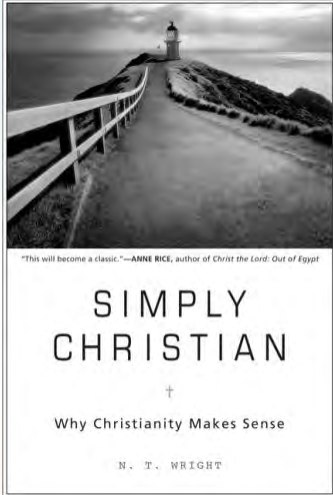
FAITH COVENANT CHURCH

Sunday, September 16th, 2012

“The inevitability of change.”

“You,” said the doctor to the patient, “are in terrible shape. You’ve got to do something about it. First, tell your wife to cook more nutritious meals. Stop working like a dog. Also, inform your wife you’re going to make a budget, and she has to stick to it. And have her keep the kids off your back so you can relax. Unless there are some changes like that in your life, you’ll probably be dead in a month.” “Doc,” the patient said, “this would sound more official coming from you. Could you please call my wife and give her those instructions?” When the fellow got home, his wife rushed to him. “I talked to your doctor,” she wailed. “Poor man, you’ve only got thirty days to live.” Change - it’s something most people don’t like, but change is inevitable and often very necessary. As Christians, we have the challenge of facing ourselves and admitting to ourselves that we can’t stay the same – we have to change daily in order to become more like Jesus Christ. Today we will explore how we can achieve this pursuit. May you find yourself blessed for being here today! –Pastor Naas

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

The Tredoux's have moved!

A big thank you from Pastor Naas and Heather to everyone who helped them move out of their “cabin in the woods!” The Tredoux's are currently living with the Eklunds as they await the final approval of their house loan. If all goes well, they hope to move into their new home in early October. Please continue to pray that they will be able to settle down very soon! It's hard to believe, but Pastor Naas & family have already been here at Faith for 11 months now! It's great to see the hand of God at work in their lives and in the life of Faith!



Sharing the love of Jesus

Last Sunday, September 9th, Faith Covenant had the opportunity to join with Hope Worldwide & Colorado Springs Christian Church to serve 364 homeless and needy men & women (approximately 50 women and 25 kids) at the “Service in the Park”. You made our church’s part in this outreach a 100% success, from the toiletries you donated, to the checks you wrote to purchase toiletries, and to your loving smiles and hands reaching out with the toiletries and the love of Jesus! On behalf of Sunday’s humble and grateful guests-of-honor, thank you, thank you!!! I would also like to acknowledge and say thank you to: Colorado Springs Rescue Mission (Jack), for a generous donation of toothbrushes and toothpaste; Walmart by Chapel Hills Mall (Pat & the Community Involvement Committee) for a generous donation of \$100 to shop for toiletries; Howard Johnson Inn near N. Academy Blvd at I-25 (Susan) for a generous donation of toiletries. We were all blessed to be a blessing to people who were without exception humble and grateful.

We will now look to our next step in outreach to the homeless as we join Rosa to make and deliver burritos on the fourth Saturdays from October through April. After church today, stay for just a few minutes to hear a brief description of what’s involved, and consider if you might become a part of this next phase of ministry and outreach.

