Mid-Week Informer

FEBRUARY 22,2017



A COMMUNITY OF GRACE THAT IS GROWING & GOING

UPCOMING EVENTS:

FEBRUARY

 Mission Meal Feb. 26th after morning service

MARCH

- Fellowship / Family Night March 5th
- Mission Night with Doug Williams (KBC) on March 12th at 6:30 PM

REACH—Tuesday, Feb. 21st 6:00—8:30 FLC Upward

FAMILY LIFE CENTER WALKING

Monday - Friday (7:42 - 10:02 AM)

From Your Pastor Is your SS Class Evangelistic?

Evangelism and church outreach has changed much over the past 25 years. Sunday School used to provide an effective evangelistic strategy as members would often invite others to attend their SS class and some would often come to a Sunday School class before ever attending a worship service. Now, most people usually come to a worship service before considering a SS class. SS classes are considered open groups because they use an ongoing curriculum that allows guests to enter the study at any point.

Many growing churches are now using small groups as part of their evangelistic strategy. Small groups usually meet for a set number of weeks and emphasize discipleship and spiritual maturity. Small groups can be evangelistic if the members are intentional about inviting an unchurched individual or couple to every new small group that is formed. We are going to start some small groups in March (Lord willing) and I'll speak more to how they can be evangelistic in the coming weeks.

We already have SS classes and most are open to new people. However, most classes see very few (if any) nonbelievers ever come to their class. If they aren't careful, evangelistic focus can quickly disappear.

How can we make sure our Sunday School classes remain evangelistic? Consider these questions:

- 1. Have you had any new faces in your SS class in the past 6 months or year?
- 2. Do you spend a few minutes each week discussing evangelistic opportunities (who could you invite)?
- 3. Are you praying for any non-believers by name?
- 4. Have you planned any fellowship/outreach events within the past six months? (Maybe you can use March 5th.)
- 5. Has your teacher prepared/studied well and able to teach in a way that encourages visitors to attend and learn?
- 6. Does your teacher & members live a lifestyle of personal evangelism where they regularly look for opportunities to share their faith and invite others to attend?
- 7. Does your class get excited when you have a visitor? Do you get even more excited when a non-believer is saved?

Bro Harold

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Visit:

www.tellyourstory.today

DVDs & CDs:

We have DVDs & CDs available for our Sunday services. Please see Chris Woolums (sound area) if you would like one (free). Donations welcomed.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MEAL: We do a few mission meals throughout the year to help the mission team provide financial support to the Chervens (Haiti), Amanda Hubler (EKU) and Bro. Ken (Hispanic Church). The next mission meal will be this **Sunday, Feb. 26th** (BBQ and fixins).

RECEPTION/SHOWER: There will be a shower for Matt & Hannah Sparks on Sunday, Feb. 26 at 2:30. Location is Hyattsville Baptist church and everyone is invited.

FELLOWSHIP/FAMILY NIGHT: March 5th. Maybe your Sunday School class can schedule a time of fellowship and outreach.

DISCIPLES PATH: Starting in March, several of our SS classes will begin a 1 year Discipleship journey call Disciples Path. This curriculum will take us on a 1 year journey to maturity in Christ.

MATERIALS REQUESTED: This year LBC turns 175 years old and we are making plans to have a celebration in July. Linda Rudolph would love to have any old pictures or memorabilia to use for the celebration. Thanks!

MARRIAGE RETREAT 2017: March 10-12 in Pigeon Forge, TN with Buck Run Baptist and Dr. Herschel York. Register by going to: http://www.buckrun.org/event/marriageretreat/.

ALASKA MISSION TRIP: Michael Anderson is leading a mission trip to Alaska July 16-23.

GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP: Bob and Carmen Miniard will be leading a mission trip to Guatemala July 29-Aug. 4th. Shelia Taylor is coordinating the trip (Miniards are in Florida). See Shelia if interested.

RIGHTNOW MEDIA: Resources from over 150 leading Christian publishers will be available. See Bro. Stephen for details.

SUNDAY PM STUDY OF MALACHI: We will conclude our study through Malachi this Sunday evenings at 5:00 PM (Feb. 26th). Services will go back to 6:30 PM starting on March 12th.

OASIS "TIME TOGETHER" LADIES RETREAT 2017-Overwhelming Victory March 10-11th. \$85 per person – let Vicki Murphy know if you want to go.

BOTTLES OF BLESSING: Haven Care Center has asked us to join them in raising money for the pregnancy crisis center though Bottles of Blessing. Please take a baby bottle and fill with change.

CHILDCARE ASSISTANCE: We are trying to help the Hispanic Church with childcare during their services on Sunday afternoons (2:00-3:15). If you could help every 6 week or so please let PerriAnn know.) Thanks!

SMALL GROUP HOST/LEADERS: We would like to have a short meeting with anybody interested in hosting or leading a small group after church on Sunday (26th) in the Choir room.

In All Things By Prayer...

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Juanita Gullett
Della Meadows (CCC)
Anna Meadows
Tina Montgomery (CCC)
Marie Naylor
Dorothy Shockley (CCC)
Katherine Sowder
Myrtle Stump (CCC)

OUR CHURCH

- Bro. Harold & family
- Bro. Stephen & family
- Bro. Nehemiah & family
- Bro. Ken & family
- Chervens
- Amanda Hubler
- Our Deacons
- SS Teachers
- Church leaders
- New believers
- Chervens
- CJ & Adam—Clear Creek

COMMUNITY

- County Judge (Wilson)
- City Mayor (Davis)
- Representative (Shell)
- Police/Sheriff
- Fire/EMS
- Schools
- Lost

NATION

- President (Trump)
- Governor (Bevins)
- Legislatures
- Armed Forces
- Missionaries
- Persecuted Christians
- Spiritual Awakening

Memory Verses: Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints. **Ephesians 6:18**

Please contact Della Hall at 859.548.9250 to serve as Prayer Warrior.

Prayer Warrior Walt Browning Sun., February 26, 2017



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Senior Pastor: Worship Pastor:

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Youth Pastor: Stephen Brogli

Services are broadcast live on our Facebook page and on 105.1 FM.

Mission

Opportunities

2017 Missions: We are planning the following mission trips to Alaska (July 16-23), Guatemala (July 29-Aug 4), and Haiti (July 8–15). If you are interested in any of these mission trips please let the Mission Team know.

New Series starting Feb. 26th







DO YOU WANT TEXT MESSAGE UPDATES?

If you would like to receive text message updates (deaths, canceled services, prayer request) from the church you can text (502) 512-0276 and put **@4e5fd** as the message and you will be added to the list for text updates.