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# Salem Happenings

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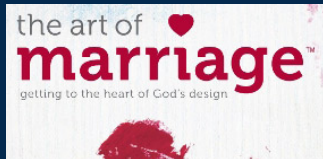
**Welcome** ... We are glad you have chosen to join us for worship today. Please take a moment during your visit to complete a Communication Card found in the pews. If you have any questions, stop by the Welcome Center, contact us at [info@salemchurch.org](mailto:info@salemchurch.org) or 937-836-6500. We look forward to getting to know you better as we support and encourage each other in our spiritual journeys!

### Curious how to get connected?

- There are many ways to receive information from Salem...
- Email [info@salemchurch.org](mailto:info@salemchurch.org) to receive our weekly e-newsletter.
  - Check out our website at [www.SalemChurch.org](http://www.SalemChurch.org).
  - Pick up a Salem Connection located in the information racks.



October 12, 2012



### The Art of Marriage

Friday, Nov. 2,  
6:30-9:30 p.m. and  
Saturday, Nov. 3,  
8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The Art of Marriage Event is a video experience that consists of six video sessions. These videos combine dramatic stories, real-life testimonies, expert interviews, humorous vignettes and other teaching methods to lay out God's design for marriage in a fresh, engaging way. Guests attending the event are each provided a manual with projects to help them apply the principles taught in each session, augmented by dozens of articles and additional content to help them dive deeper. The cost is \$50 per couple. This cost includes your books, and a continental breakfast and lunch. Childcare available for ages 6 and under. Register online at [SalemChurch.org](http://SalemChurch.org) / Upcoming Events / Art of Marriage or stop by the table in the lobby today! Contact Betty at ext. 104.

### Giving:

Weekly Need: \$34,815

Offering 10/7/12:

\$32,751.62



"Righteousness exalts a nation,  
but sin is a reproach to any people."  
- Proverbs 14: 34

The Bible does establish priorities in national righteousness. Do you know what they are? In this series of messages we will examine what the Bible teaches us about our responsibilities as his people. We will look beyond the rhetoric of this year's campaign season in order to rethink the historical and current values that shape America.

### Not A Sermon, Just A Thought from Pastor Moss

This Sunday we begin a pre-election sermon series entitled Faith in America.

In the early years of our country, it was a common practice for ministers to preach "Election Sermons," and frequently ministers were invited to give a sermon before newly-elected government officials.

In 1790 the Reverend Daniel Foster preached a sermon before the Massachusetts Governor (John Hancock), Lieutenant-Governor (Samuel Adams), and both houses of Legislature. He used the Biblical text to remind them that they were serving by Divine Providence. *"By Me princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth" Proverbs 8:16.*

Such was the tone of America at our founding. In the secularized America of recent generations, it's hard to imagine any clergy having such a front and center role with our elected officials.

In 1954 Congress amended the Internal Revenue Code to impose limits on the political activities of churches and other tax-exempt non-profit organizations. We (churches) who enjoy the benefits of tax exemption are reminded that by law we cannot be both free from taxation and enmeshed in political activity. We must choose.

Over the next several weeks I will share with you messages of Biblical and historical import. No candidates will be endorsed, but the Scriptures will be examined and accounts will be given of how faith has shaped America. The intent is to raise your sights to the higher and nobler issues we must consider as believers. I hope to help you filter your thoughts through a Biblical view as we prepare for Election Day.

People of faith founded and built our nation. People of faith must sustain it. It's my job as your pastor to help you to sustain your faith and to live as a follower of Christ.

See you Sunday!  
Pastor Moss



## Empty Nester's Annual Turkey Project!

The Empty Nester's Annual Turkey Project has begun! For a number of years, Salem has provided deserving families in our community with a Thanksgiving turkey to make their holiday special. During the next several weeks please help us add feathers to our lobby turkey by donating to our "Turkey Project." One dollar will purchase a small feather, five dollars a regular size feather and ten dollars will purchase a large tail feather. For every \$13 donated a turkey will be provided to a family. Last year we were able to give out 265 turkeys through your generosity. Stop by the table in the lobby to learn how you can help. This year we will be serving along with the Northmont F.I.S.H. program. Contact Jo & Jerry Wick at 937-839-5123 or kinseystation@aol.com or Alisa at ext. 123.

## Fundraiser for Missions

Purchase an Elder Beerman Community Days booklet and show your support for missions through Helping Hands and Women of the Word circles. The entire purchase price of \$5 goes to missions. The booklets have special offers for shopping on November 9 and 10. To get a booklet contact Helping Hands members Harriet Coppock (277-4402) or Patty Ernst (833-2266); Women of the Word members Sherry Hoying (836-4070) or Terri Stump (836-3647). Thank you for your support and happy shopping.

## Fruit Sale

Fruit for winter and the holidays. Place your order now . . . members of the Helping Hands Circle will be at a lobby table to take your order. Proceeds from this event help fund missions.

## Check it out!

### [SalemChurch.org](http://SalemChurch.org)

Click on the "get connected" tab and scroll through the different areas. Listen online to teachings, or submit a prayer request!

## Missionaries Robin and Faith Jelle to Visit Salem

**Sunday, October 21, 12:15 p.m., the Gathering Place, Carry-in Meal**

Everyone is invited to come and meet Robin and Faith Jelle, missionaries to the Navajos in Arizona. The Jelles attended Salem Church prior to moving to our present location in 1981. Robin helped with the construction of our present building. They were called to the Navajo ministry at the end of the 1980s. Come and hear as they share what is in their hearts about their ministry. To help with the planning, sign-up in the lobby today or contact Jeanie Rarick at [rarrickj@gmail.com](mailto:rarrickj@gmail.com).



## Women, last chance to sign up for the ... Fabulous Fall Fun Night!

**Friday, October 26 - 6:45-10 p.m. (the event will begin promptly at 7 p.m.)**

The Women's Ministry Team invites you to a relaxing evening of fun, good friends, and food! This intergenerational event will feature a very special "Tasting Party" highlighting your own extraordinary recipe. Our crafting theme for the night is "Paper Arts." Additionally, we will all have the opportunity to support missions by donating one of your own card creations to a local card ministry. Drinks and table service provided and as always, guests are welcome. Open to all women Jr. High age and up.

**What to bring:** Favorite appetizer/dessert to share; One copy of your recipe (please include your name); Basic crafting supplies: pencil, ruler, regular scissors, deckle-edge scissors (if you already own them), and a glue stick. **Cost:** \$10 adults; \$5 students (Jr. High through college); \$20 maximum fee per household **Today is the last day to register! Stop by the table in the lobby.** Contact Betty at ext. 104 or [b.scheibly@salemchurch.org](mailto:b.scheibly@salemchurch.org).



## Children's Ministry Openings

We are looking for a few people with some computer knowledge who would be interested in "checking-in" on a laptop, our Preschool and/or Elementary kids on Sunday mornings. This would be once a month, or more if you like, from 9:00-9:45 a.m. Contact Craig at the ext. 112 or at [childrensministry@salemchurch.org](mailto:childrensministry@salemchurch.org).

## Congregational Care

We are updating our list of shut-ins. If you know of someone in the Salem family who is confined to home, please notify [Beth](mailto:Beth) at ext. 115 or [b.jones@salemchurch.org](mailto:b.jones@salemchurch.org).

## Gal Pals Lunch

**Today, October 14, Right after second service, Cracker Barrel, 7171 Miller Lane, Dayton**

Gal Pals are a group of women who are divorced, widowed or never married that meet once a month to share a meal and fellowship. If you would like more information, contact Betty at ext. 104 or [b.scheibly@salemchurch.org](mailto:b.scheibly@salemchurch.org).

## Raven Sunday at Salem

**Sunday, October 21, before and after worship services**

Anderson University is excited to announce "Raven Sunday!" AU values its long-standing relationship with the Church of God and aims to celebrate this partnership by conducting the second annual "Raven Sunday" on Sunday, Oct. 21, 2012. The offices of Admissions and Alumni will be sponsoring two current AU students at our church for an informal time of sharing and connecting before and after our Sunday services. We encourage you to stop by and talk with these current students, hear their AU stories, and share your AU stories. Contact Julie Short, Anderson University liaison to the Church of God, at (765) 641-4565 or [jksort@anderson.edu](mailto:jksort@anderson.edu).

## Baptism Preparation Class

**Sunday, November 4, 9:30 a.m., Room 209**

Baptism Preparation Class will be held Sunday November 4. This class is for children, youth, and adults. We will be celebrating baptism (by immersion) on November 18. Contact Betty Scheibly at ext 104 or [b.scheibly@salemchurch.org](mailto:b.scheibly@salemchurch.org) for more information.

## Community Prayer Services

**Sunday, November 4, 6:00 p.m., Grace Brethren Village, 1010 Taywood Rd, Englewood**

You are invited to attend a community prayer service, to pray for America. When we humble ourselves and pray, our lives are touched, our churches empowered, our communities are restored, and our country is healed.



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If you have a medical emergency and need to contact a staff person after office hours please call 937-474-9753.

