

Experiencing the transforming love of Jesus
Expressing that love to others

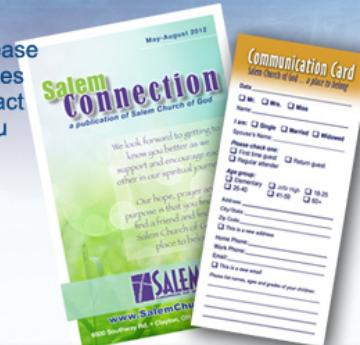
Salem Happenings

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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 on the tables at the back of the gym. If you have any questions, stop by the Welcome Center, contact us at 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 info from Salem...
- Email info@salemchurch.org to receive our weekly e-newsletter.
 - Check out our website at www.SalemChurch.org.
 - Pick up a Salem Connection located in the info racks.



Baby Dedication

Sunday, September 23, 11:00 a.m. service

Isabella Rose Jonker
Daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth

God saw you before you were born. Every day of your life was recorded in his book. – Psalm 139:16



September 21, 2012



The Art of Marriage

Friday, November 2,
6:30-9:30 p.m. (check-in
begins at 5:30 p.m.) and
Saturday Nov 3,
8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
(check-in and continental
breakfast begins at
8 a.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

Join us Sunday as we continue this sermon series!



Not A Sermon, Just A Thought from Pastor Moss

A couple of years ago I taught a sermon series based on 1 Corinthians chapter 13. The impact of the series was heightened for those of the congregation who read the chapter at least once per week during the series.

If you are like me, there are times when it is important to revisit the attributes of loving relationships described in that chapter. Why? Because each of us, by nature, tends to focus upon our own needs and expectations rather than upon the needs of others. We get hurt, disappointed, and defensive. It's hard for love to thrive in that climate.

At the end of this busy week, please reflect for a few moments upon the wonderful attributes of love. This is the kind of love that overflows from a loving relationship with our Heavenly Father.

- Love looks through a telescope, not through a microscope.
- Love gives grace and does not keep a ledger of failures and disappointments.
- Love is slow to suspect and quick to trust.
- Love is slow to condemn and quick to justify.
- Love is slow to offend and quick to defend.
- Love is slow to reprimand and quick to restrain.



couple. This cost includes your books, a continental breakfast and lunch.

Childcare available for ages 6. Register online at SalemChurch.org –

Upcoming Events - Art of Marriage.

Contact Jeff and Lin Roberts
937-548-0023
orjeffr5775@yahoo.com.

Giving:

Weekly Need: \$34,815

Offering 9/16/12:

\$27,094.82

Salem's Secret Sister Program

Young women (7th grade through college), now is the time to sign-up. If you would like to participate, fill-out and turn-in the Secret Sister questionnaire to the church office no later than Sept 23. Include a picture of yourself. Questionnaires may be obtained at Epic.

Here's how it works: You will secretly be assigned to a more mature Secret Sister. Each month you will receive cards, notes, and small tokens of encouragement. Your Secret Sister is committed to upholding you and your family in prayer. Your Secret Sister will be revealed at the party next spring!

Women, if you are interested in being a Secret Sister, contact Patty Ernst at 833-2266. This is a wonderful opportunity to *inspire* the next generation toward faith and *nurture* believers to grow up in Christ!

Check it out!

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

Love is slow to belittle and quick to appreciate.
Love is slow to demand and quick to give.
Love is slow to provoke and quick to conciliate.
Love is slow to hinder and quick to help.
Love is slow to resent and quick to forgive.

As you take inventory, you may feel that your capacity to love others is being challenged. Why not pray right now and allow God to stretch your heart.

See you Sunday!
Pastor Moss

Wednesday Morning Men's Fellowship

Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 a.m., Tim Horton's, Englewood

Guys, join us for a time of fellowship at Tim Horton's on Rt. 48 (Main St.) in Englewood. We are now meeting the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month. Whether you just have time for a cup of coffee and a doughnut or can stay for the whole hour, we welcome you. Contact Craig at mensministry@salemchurch.org or ext. 112.

Empty Nesters Fall Outing

Saturday, September 29, Brumbaugh's Fruit Farm, Arcanum

Mark your calendar for a beautiful fall evening at Brumbaugh's Fruit Farm in Arcanum. We'll have everything from hot dogs, and marshmallows to roast, and we'll top this off with a hayride. Look for us in the lobby through September 23 to sign up to bring a covered dish. Contact Kathy Troehler at 583-5003.

Women join us for a ... 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" and you will enjoy learning how to create several projects just in time for the holidays. 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 from 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 for household
Registration with payment deadline: Sunday, October 7. Contact Betty at ext. 104 or b.scheibly@salemchurch.org.

Children of Promise Sponsorship Sunday is Today!

Today, Sunday, September 23

Would you be willing to be the hands and feet of Jesus to a child in desperate need? Through the Church of God child sponsorship program, Children of Promise is ministering to children in 27 countries, providing food, education, basic medical care and spiritual nurture. It takes only \$25 a month to change the life of a child forever. Stop by the display table in the lobby on September 23 to select a child who is waiting for your love, prayers, and support right now. Contact reneemoss@hotmail.com.



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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.

