

March 23, 2009



Kid's worship is **BIGstuf** ... and growing fast! ALL Kids and Volunteers will worship in "big church" on March 29. On April 5 we will begin including the 3rd-5th graders in this exciting time of worship! So... volunteers, parents and kids... mark your calendars as we begin an exciting time of **BIGstuf** on Sunday, April 5! We still need more volunteers to join our team! See Bro Wes to find out how you can help!

Men's Ministry Survey

Okay, some of you guys still haven't returned the survey. So...just to help out as a reminder... the last page of this newsletter is the survey. Fill it out and email to us... or print, fill out, and then return it to the church office.

SOFT BALL - - - Men and Women's Softball: Did you sign up? Ready to play? For those playing as "well seasoned softball veterans"...is your deductible met? GREAT! Games will begin April 6th after Spring Break. All games are in Baker across from Pilgrim Rest Church during the week night: starting at 6:30 or 7:45. One, sometimes two games a week.

FOOD DRIVE : The Samaritan House is having a food drive during the month of March. Anyone, everyone, can bring one canned or boxed food item each week. Food items may be placed in one of the receiving boxes located in the Fellowship Hall or in any foyer. Many in our community are struggling at this time: Help us help them.

AND... Don't forget about the ACTEEN challenge to all the Sunday School Classes/Departments. They're counting on you too.

the SINGLES CLASS

There are hundreds of singles we need to reach in our community. Do you know of any single between the age of "out-of-college-ish" and early 40ish? Most of us probably know of at least 1. Can you imagine what would happen in our church if everyone invited a single adult to Sunday School... that would be over 300 Singles... and if only 12 % attended, that's 36 Singles! Can you imagine? What a huge boost to the Singles ministry here and the community. If you know of a Single in need of a church family, invite them this week.

CHURCH PICTURE DIRECTORIES ARE IN. EACH HOUSE HOLD RECIEVES 1.



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We sure hope you're not tired of hearing and reading about VBS... only a little more than 50 volunteers and we can jump to the next step in planning and training. God has already called each believer to work in the harvest... so if you're looking for a row out in that great field to help plant and nurture, come and join us! This is your personal invitation.
- - If you have any questions please contact Wes; he's expecting you. - -

***Easter Week - "The Passion Week Experience" - April 5-12with
Remembering the Lamb worship, April 9***

Don't forget to pick up your brochures with devotions for each family member this week and next. There will also be an emphasis on prayer during the Passion Week: Monday is the regular scheduled "First Monday Prayer" and on Tuesday and Wednesday the sanctuary will be open for you to come and pray for the week's ministries from 6:00pm until 7:00pm. Our hope is that during the week you will have the opportunity to experience The Passion Week and Love Of Christ in a powerful way as you deliberately set aside time to walk with our Lord. Invite a friend for our Remembering the Lamb service on April 9 beginning at 6:30 in the Fellowship hall and moving to the Worship Center at 7:00 pm.

Men's Breakout Dinner/Conference with Danny Singleton – April 18-19

MEN: Are you ready for a transformation? What is holding you back from following Christ with all of your heart, soul and might? How will you answer those who ask about the hope within you? We've mentioned before that those who have been with Jesus are changed... and degrees and diplomas have nothing to do with it...(Acts 4:13). We are not interested in beginning any new programs; what we are interested in is getting men involved with a ministry that will focuses on biblical manhood, godliness and following Christ daily. This thing called Men's Ministry is about accountability to God's word and growing in Christ as we walk with Him daily.

Be sure to place April 18 on your calendar. There will be a men's conference here at our church hosting guest Men's Leader Danny Singletary from FBC Woodstock. Supper will be around 6 pm and then we'll gather for worship and teaching. We will also gather on Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for a great time of worship.

SHOUT OUT TO THE DEACONS... Over the last few weeks there have been numerous complements regarding several deacons calling and making personal contacts. Men, thank you for your personal ministries! God is using this wonderful group of men to accomplish many "unseen" tasks. Thank you for being available and willing. Your involvement in personal ministry is greatly appreciated by your church staff.

Men's Ministry Survey

In an effort to develop a more effective Men's Ministry program for our community we would like your input. Please complete the following survey and return it to us at the end of today's program or to the church office. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Name: _____ Contact Phone Number: _____

Contact E-mail Address: _____

Do you believe your spiritual needs are being met by our current Men's Ministry programs?

Yes No

What type of program(s) would you be interested in participating in?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marriage Enrichment | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parenting | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

What areas of our Men's Ministry program would you be willing to participate in?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher/Instructor | <input type="checkbox"/> Support Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asst. Teacher/Instructor | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

What do you consider to be your strengths? (Example: Administration, Planning & Organization, etc.) _____

What are your vocational areas of service (where you work now or in the past) that church members should know if they are seeking a trusted source of wise counsel or Christian business? (Example: finance/ accounting, builder, insurance, banking/finance, plumbing, electrical, counseling...)

Are you retired? Yes No

What are your special talents or expertise that you could use in ministry or missions? (Example: Auto Mechanic, Carpenter, Nursing/first aide, coaching, etc.) _____

There are hundreds of hobbies. What are your hobbies? (Example: Hunting/Fishing, Golfing, Gardening, Outdoors, Mechanics, Electronics, Technology, etc.) And, which areas could you help model for others who share the same interest? _____

What men's conference/discipleship/training programs or events have helped you grow the most? _____

Would you be interested in participating in a weekend Men's Ministry conference?

Yes No