

NEWS, EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

JANUARY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY LIST

Now available at the information centers.

"BEHOLD & BELIEVE" CHRISTMAS CONCERT DVD

The DVD sign up is available at the welcome center.

2010 GIVING ENVELOPES

They are now available for pick up in the lobby.

UPCOMING EVENTS - MEN'S MINISTRY (SEE INSERT)

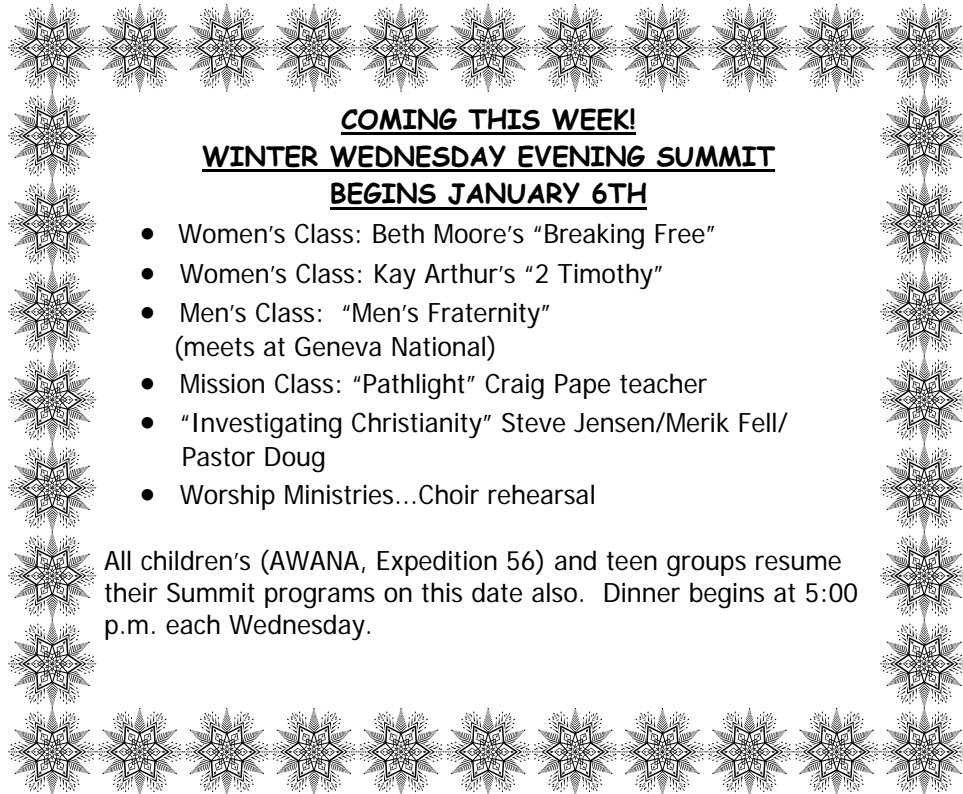
January 9, 2010, "Serving Two Masters?" speaker: Bill Pollard.

7:30 a.m. breakfast, 8:00 a.m. Bill's story, 8:30 a.m. Q & A/ small group discussion. Mark your calendars - this event you will not want to miss!

Sign up in the lobby.

February 6, 2010 Superbowl Breakfast and David Trophy

February 26, 2010 Men's Catalyst Seminar



COMING THIS WEEK!

WINTER WEDNESDAY EVENING SUMMIT BEGINS JANUARY 6TH

- Women's Class: Beth Moore's "Breaking Free"
- Women's Class: Kay Arthur's "2 Timothy"
- Men's Class: "Men's Fraternity"
(meets at Geneva National)
- Mission Class: "Pathlight" Craig Pape teacher
- "Investigating Christianity" Steve Jensen/Merik Fell/
Pastor Doug
- Worship Ministries...Choir rehearsal

All children's (AWANA, Expedition 56) and teen groups resume their Summit programs on this date also. Dinner begins at 5:00 p.m. each Wednesday.

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CONNECTED ONES - ABF (45-60ish)

Anyone of this age group is welcome even though you do not attend the ABF. Saturday, January 16th - Progressive Dinner and White Elephant Gift exchange. Please phone or email Karen Ditthardt if you plan to attend 262-448-2005 or dditthardt@wi.rr.com.

CORNERSTONE ABF (Adult Bible Fellowship - providing foundational principles for young families) - "WHITE OUT"

Sunday, January 31st, 2010, 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. Lake Geneva Youth Camp and Conference Center. Cost: \$7.00 fee includes activities and Chili Dinner. For more information please see the bulletin board outside the church office.

DONATIONS

Bins for Clothing Outreach Center and the food pantry donations are located by the church office.

AREA EVENTS

AGAPE HOUSE COMPLETION

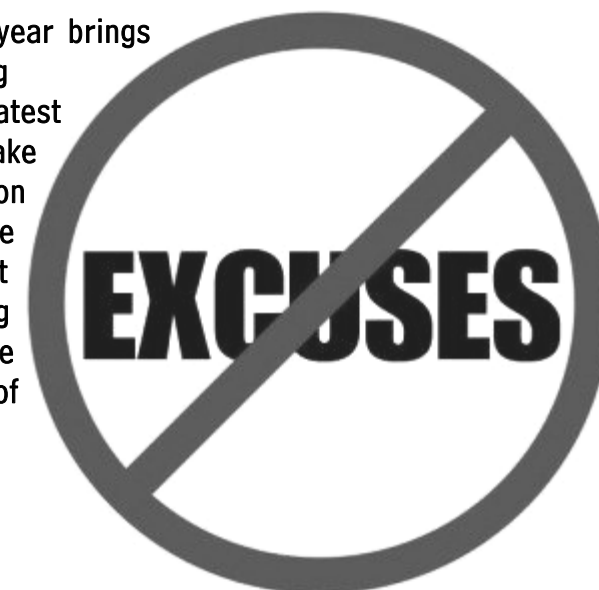
Coordinated volunteer effort to complete Agape House renovation. Interior renovation skills of all types welcome. Willing hearts and available hands are highest priority! Tim Quick 262-749-8119 Calvary project coordinator, or use tear off to offer your help.

TRINITY INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Tuesday, January 19th, 7:00 p.m. "An Inclusive Ethics for the 21st Century: Implications for Stem Cell Research". For more information, please see the bulletin board outside the church office.

GETTING RID OF EXCUSES

Looking into a new year brings the thought of making resolutions. The greatest resolution we can make is to get on mission with God. What are the excuses that keep us from doing that? What will it take for us to get rid of those excuses?



2010 ON MISSION WITH GOD

PLAN FOR THE WEEK

Times are p.m. unless otherwise noted

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast (F.H.)
- 9:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages including 3 Adult Bible Fellowships
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 6:00 Refuge (Sr. Hi)

Monday

- 8:30 a.m. Forever Fit Winter session begins (see insert)
- 7:00 Merge (18-25 yr olds) (ROOM 11)
- 7:00 Salt n' Light (20 something young adults)

Tuesday

- 7:00 & 9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Studies (SEE INSERT)
- 10:00 a.m. White Cross at Peoples Bank
- 12:00 Parish Nurse
- 6:30 Prayer Meeting
- 6:45 Board Meetings

Wednesday

WINTER SUMMIT (SEE NOTE)

- 5:00 - 6:15 Dinner
- 6:30 AWANA (ages 2 1/2 - grade 4); Expedition 56 (Grades 5 -6); The Pier (Grades 7 -8); Sr. Hi. Life's Blend; Worship Choir Rehearsal; Adult Bible Studies; (nursery for infants up to age 2 1/2)
- 6:30 Men's Fraternity at Geneva National

Thursday

- 8:45 a.m. MOPS (Mothers of PreSchoolers)
- 5:30 Forever Fit
- 5:30 Sound Man Supper (F.H.)
- 6:30 Worship Team (JEFF)

Friday

- 6:00 a.m. Men's Fraternity
- 1:00 Clothing Outreach Meeting (F.H.)
- JR HI Districts
- SR HI Blizzard

Saturday

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast (GYM) (SEE INSERT) Please sign up in lobby.
- 5:00 Saturday Community Contemporary Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

A detailed prayer list is available at the information centers in the lobby.

Missionary Focus

Aceh People Group (our Indonesia partners)

Prayer requests:



- For God to overcome the spiritual strongholds set up against the knowledge of Jesus.
- That God would prepare the hearts of the Acehnese to hear the truth and come to Christ.
- Opportunities, wisdom and safety for all of the national workers.
- Prayerfully consider how God may want to use you to reach the unreached of Indonesia.

Our Family

Judy Gause - three broken ribs
 David Copeland - recovering from hip replacement surgery
 Judy Kidder - recovering from hand surgery
 Shawn Aspinall - recovering from open heart surgery
 Barb Carter - recovering from hip surgery

Emergency Prayer Chain

Please call one of the following if you have an emergency request:

Bea Nieubuurt	262-740-2434
Barb Hinzpeter	262-275-3803
Valerie Troast	262-745-6605

COMING EVENTS

1/15	PRIMETIME LIVE (12:00 - 2:00 P.M.)	2/6	SUPERBOWL BREAKFAST AND DAVID TROPHY
1/16	CONNECTED ONES PROGRESSIVE DINNER	2/6	MEN - NO REGRETS AT ELMBROOK
1/25	APPLESAUCE SIX WEEK STUDY BEGINS	2/6	LAKE GENEVA ORCHESTRA CONCERT
1/31	CORNERSTONE ABF WHITE OUT (3:00 P.M.)	2/7	L.I.F.E. (JR/SR HI) SUPER BOWL PARTY
		2/26	MEN'S CATALYST SEMINAR

God's work done God's way in God's time brings God's resources

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009 Income Budget</u>
Year-to-date General Fund Income	\$1,265,032.13	\$1,178,854.25	\$1,354,489.00
Year-to-date General Fund Expenses	\$1,266,909.08		
Year-to-date Missions Income	\$ 265,282.82	\$ 281,951.15	\$ 288,000.00
Year-to-date Missions Expenses	\$ 267,914.06		
Benevolent Offering	\$ 76,545.61	\$ 42,951.81	

GETTING RID OF EXCUSES

Judges 6:1 - 7:22

Now is the time to get on mission with God!

1) God hears the cry for help (6:1-11)

Does God hear the cry for help from our communities?

2) God is telling you to be the one to help (6:12, 14)

You have strength—God is with you

You are an agent for God's salvation

God is sending you

Compare with Matthew 28:19-20

Do you believe that God is telling you to go help?

3) Finding excuses is one response to God (6:13, 15 - 7:12)

Doubt the faithfulness of God in the past (6:13)

See yourself as unworthy of His call (6:15)

Tell yourself that your stuff isn't more important to you than obedience(6:15)

Doubt that God is really with you (6:17)

Be afraid that God was with you and you missed it (6:22)



Be afraid of how others will respond (6:27)

Obey some small things quickly only for selfish motives(6:27)

Wait for more help before you obey (6:35)

Don't believe God will fulfill His word (6:36)

Don't think that God is YOUR God (6:36, 39)

Even when God proves Himself—don't believe (6:39)

When it is clear the time is right, get paralyzed by fear (7:10)

What are the excuses you use to respond to God?

4) Confidently obeying is the better response to God (7:13-22)

True obedience follows worship (7:15)

True obedience is immediate (7:14-15)

True obedience is contagious (7:17-21)

True obedience reveals God's power (7:22; see 8:10)

Are you ready to confidently obey and get on mission with God?