



June 5, 2011

CALENDAR

Today Worship 9:00 AM
Teaching Time 10:00 AM

THIS WEEK

Wednesday	Teen Refuge 6:30-8:00 PM
Wednesday	Mundo de Fe 6-8 PM

Nurseries Available

During the worship assembly, LRC has nurseries available for children ages birth – two years of age down the Preschool Ministry hallway.

Monday Evening Elder Prayer Time

Our elders meet to pray every other Monday at 6:00 PM. Anyone desiring prayer with the elders may come to the multipurpose room during this time. They will meet again for this purpose on June 6.

Foundations Class – June 12

The next Foundations Class will be held at 10:00 AM on June 12. We host Foundations Class to share important information about our church for those considering LRC as a church home. The class will meet in the middle classroom of the multipurpose room.

Giving

As we begin the season of vacations and increased weekend travel away from Little Rock, we want to remind everyone that our ministries continue throughout the year and the need to support our commitments does also. Our weekly budget for 2011 is \$11,400 and our giving for the last four weeks has averaged \$9488.

If you would like to set up regular payments using your debit card, go to the LRC website and look for the tab “Giving/Payments” in the Member Section of the website.

Summer Schedule for Little Rock Church
BEGINS TODAY!!!!!!

Meeting Schedule Changes Begin Today

Worship Assembly 9 AM
Teaching for All Ages 10 AM

Adult Teaching: We will have one combined adult teaching assembly in the auditorium that will meet at 10 AM. The teaching series will be entitled: “Questions: Building our Faith through Scripture.” This series will be focused on questions presented by the church on current, relevant topics. We will explore Biblical teaching and implications for following Christ in the 21st Century. We are making this change to allow for adult teaching and conversation on topics that are not appropriate for young children. We want your suggestions for topics. Email Lynn lynn@littlerockchurch.org or text 529-9138.

Worship Assembly: We meet at 9 AM for worship. Our shepherds will have a devotional each week focused on the Lord’s Supper. Our primary teaching/preaching experience will be in the 10 AM assembly. We ask that everyone attend both assemblies.

Children’s Classes: Children’s Classes will meet in the youth ministry rooms during the 10 AM assembly and will use the familiar “Summer on the Rock” format. Lots of fun!

Women’s Ministry Summer Schedule

Our Women’s Ministry has planned a six-week study in June and July based on Lysa TerKeurst’s book Made to Crave.

The class will meet at the LRC building from 6:30-8:00 PM on 6-13, 6-20, 6-27 and 7-11, 7-18, and 7-25. Childcare will not be provided.

Contact Beth Moore bmoore@arva.org for more information and to order materials for class. Cost for the book and participants guide is \$18.00.

Little Rock Church Purposes:



Worship



Community



Outreach



Spiritual Formation



He-Man Carb Haters Club Update

Several of you have asked about the men's weight loss club that ran for 8 weeks. It has finally ended and the group lost a total of 68 lbs. between four people. Sid Moore was the biggest loser of the group and won the special prize! The group was fun and successful for those involved.

Several of you have asked about a group like this for women. My response has been that all we lack is a leader. If you would like to lead a weight loss group for women of the summer or fall, please let me know. The groups are fun and encouraging!

Please note the article on the front of the bulletin about the women's summer class on Monday evenings. The group will discuss areas of our life that hold us captive in negative ways.

Blessings! Lynn

Little Rock Church on Mission!

The summer is a season when many people get the chance to go on mission trips. I was praying this week and realized that we have a good list of people that are going on a mission trip this summer. Last week I shared about two trips that are happening now and this week I will highlight some trips later in the summer.

Casey, Mary Beth and Caleb, and Billy Stanford will be traveling August 13-23 to Ethiopia, along with several others from around the U.S. They will be meeting with the Lifesong missionary contacts (Americans) in Ziway, Ethiopia, and spending most of their time at the new school building in Adami Tulu, Ethiopia. Also, they will help get the Adami Tulu school set up for the new school year and host some Bible classes for the kids in the village. Additionally, they will spend a lot of time with the local church in Adami Tulu, encouraging and supporting them. The Pickers and Billy Stanford will also be visiting some orphanages in the capitol city, and a hospital for poor women suffering from complications after giving birth.

Chad has scheduled youth group mission trips this summer to Ft. Worth and New Orleans. We will have four adults traveling with the teens this summer. Please pray for our teens to grow in the Lord on these trips.

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A Word of Appreciation to LRC

In recent days many members of LRC have extended extra grace to my family and me. Ann and I want to say, "Thank you."

As some of you know, our family has shared some unusual experiences in the past three weeks. On May 17 our nine-year-old son, McKenzie, was admitted into a 28-day residential diagnostic program in the PRI Child Unit at UAMS. A primary goal is to identify proper healthcare interventions for his continued development and growth. Since parents are allowed to be present at all times, including nights (unique among residential programs), Ann or I have been in the hospital every night and several hours each day. And Caleb, too, (our youngest – he turns six years old on June 6) has demonstrated notable flexibility during this odd days and nights.

Several of you have kindly prepared and delivered hot meals to our home while others of you have sent cards and small gifts of encouragement to both McKenzie and Caleb. Some of you have lovingly cared for Caleb for a

few hours. Many of you have expressed concern and noted to us your intent to intercede in prayer for us.

And, yes, some have shown me extra patience in my slowness to return calls and reply to emails. The staff and elders have generously supported my need to be engaged in McKenzie's program, tend to Caleb, or huddle in a meeting with Ann.

Though McKenzie is not scheduled to complete the program until June 14, I want to tell you now how much Ann and I appreciate the gracious care you've shown us.

Recently, a good friend of mine, a minister, who resides in another state, asked me how my church was responding to our unique circumstances. "I've received such supportive emails and calls," I explained, "from elders, staff, and church members...I am so thankful that the Lord has us at Little Rock Church as we walk through this experience."

"Sounds like you've found a good church," he replied.

I agree. And I thank the Lord.



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Student Ministry T-Shirts

Today and Wednesday are the last days to order student ministry T-shirts. Order forms are on the kiosk at the back of the auditorium.

Next Level

9-12th graders are invited to Chad and Deana's tonight from 5:30-8:00 PM for dinner, Bible study and to begin preparing for our senior high mission trip to the Fortress. Bring your Bibles.

Refuge

Summer Refuge schedule begins this Wednesday, June 8. Doors open at 6:30 PM. Refuge is from 7-9 PM. No dinner this summer, so eat before you come.

Jr. High Mission Trip

There will be a brief meeting immediately after the teaching time today in the multipurpose room next to the small kitchen. This will take just a few minutes. You'll receive some waiver forms that need to be completed and returned by this Wednesday, June 8. Final payment for the mission trip is now due.

Senior High Mission Trip

Final payment for the senior high mission trip is now due as well. Many of you have already paid deposits. Contact Chad to find out the balance due for this mission trip.

Magic Springs Christian Music Day

Celebrate the end of summer at Magic Springs on Saturday, August 13. Casting Crowns is in concert that night. Tickets are \$28.50 if paid for by July 24 and we have at least 15 people. Sign up at the kiosk in the Nichols Building.

Looking Ahead

TODAY	Next Level
June 8	Refuge 7-9 PM
June 17	All-church pool party
June 19	Next Level
June 24	Lock-in
June 27	Next Level@Food Bank
July 5-9	Jr. high mission trip
July 17-22	Sr. High mission trip to Fortress
Aug. 7	Family Plug-In (lunch)
Aug. 13	Magic Springs

Weekly Student Ministry Events

Refuge Wednesday night 7-9 PM

Calling 7-12th graders to become more like Jesus for the sake of others.

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Promotion Sunday

Today is promotion Sunday. Children entering kindergarten will move up to LRC Kids Ministry for Summer on the Rock in the Nichols Ministry Building. Parents, please escort your child to the Nichols Building at 10 AM on June 5.

Kindergarten-6th grade will experience a time of worship, teaching and activity in the teen room this summer from June 5-August 28. The theme of the summer is "Imagine the Impossible." Through singing, drama, puppets, memory verses and other activities children will discover and explore the virtues of faith, perseverance and grace.

Leading the next generation to become fully-devoted followers of Jesus.

Prayer List



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Home Away from Home Patients	Cabot Church Plant
Bob Perry, Ivan Szocs, Tommy Keen, Steve Panther, Alan Grubb, Hubert Conwill, Marvin Winegar, Gerald Gordon, George Kovacevic, Billy Hoggle, Walt Shearer, Elaine Washington, Greg Hilton, Doug Ray, James Pavlik	Please continue to pray for Spencer and Jennifer Dunlap as they continue their ministry in Cabot. They have begun regular meetings on Sundays.
Vipin Nischal	Mike Harmon
Please continue to pray for Vipin's mother who is ill with cancer.	Please continue to pray for Mike and Gina as Mike pursues healthy treatment alternatives.
Jerry Bryant	Harmon Family
Please continue to pray for Jerry and his family. He is at home and continuing chemotherapy. If you would like to send a card, his address is 3202 Travis Pkwy, Bryant, AR 72202.	Mike Harmon's father, Norris Harmon, passed away last week. Funeral services were held in Austin, TX.
Nancy Chandler	Melvin Young Family
Please continue to pray for Nancy and her family.	Linda Chandler's father, Melvin Young, is in hospice care in Louisville, KY.
Cook Family	Carolyn Wallis and Shirley Nipps
McKenzie Cook is in the Children's Unit of the Psychiatric Research Institute at UAMS for observation and evaluation. The evaluation is taking several weeks. Call Michelle Cook if you can help with food. Also, Ron and Ann have requested that we send cards to encourage McKenzie during his long stay in the hospital (puzzles and coloring books are also a good choice). The mailing address is: Child Diagnostic Unit, Psychiatric Research Institute, 4301 W. Markham #554, Little Rock, AR 72205	Larry and Linda Miller asked for our prayers on behalf of their friends who are both under treatment for cancer.
Andrew Vaughan	Ginny Hunt
Andrew is in basic training in California and would really appreciate cards and letters. His address is: Recruit Vaughan, Andrew C 1 st BN Delta CO Platoon 1062, 4000 Midway Ave., San Diego, CA 92140	Ginny Hunt, who has visited LRC several times, has been undergoing chemotherapy.

Serving in the Family

Serving in the Nursery (See Krissi Fry for assistance)	Serving on the Playground & Gym	Serving & Preparing Communion
<u>Today:</u> Infant - Carol Lybarger and Wanda Walker	<u>Today:</u> Chad and Deana Nall	<u>Serving in June:</u> Dell/Walker HC
18-36 Months - Jill and Emily Dabbs & Ericka Vargas		
Next Week - Vicki Erwin, Susie Brown, Julie Thompson, and Kim Poteat	<u>Next Sunday:</u> Sid and Beth Moore	<u>Preparing in June:</u> Paul Wallace

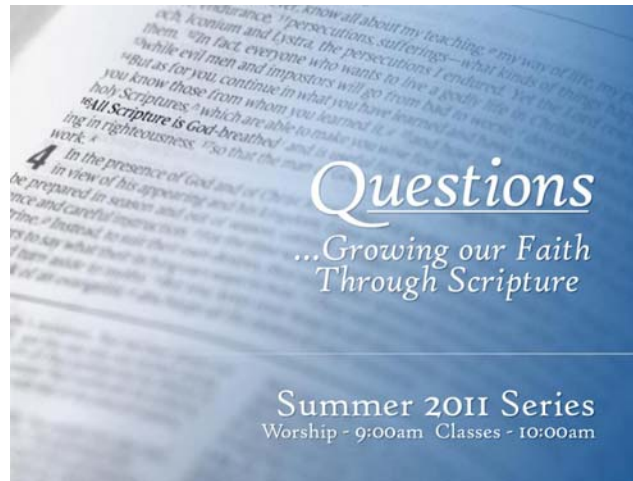
Facilitator Needed for Partnership with Dodd Elementary

Relationships have to be maintained to be healthy and meaningful. LRC leaders seek one or two people to help us do just that in our association with an elementary school in southwest Little Rock.

In 2009 and 2010, LRC made efforts to be a "community adopter" of David O. Dodd Elementary. To insure that our relationship with the school continues in a consequential way, one or two people are needed to facilitate our compassionate support.

Contact me right away if you want to know more about this opportunity to serve.

-- Ron Cook



Questions: Growing Our Faith through Scripture
“The Place of God’s Word in a Post Modern World”
Week One: Sunday, June 5

- I. Purpose of the Study
 - a. Answering questions that come up from our culture from a Biblical World View. We also want to assure you that the Bible speaks to the 21st Century world and the problems we face. Our culture may not like the answers, but we must be ready to explain what the Bible says in an honest and loving way.
 - b. What do Most Americans believe about the Bible?
 - i. Current Stats
 - ii.

- II. Reasons Some Question the Bible in our Culture Today
 - i. Issues of Translation
 - 1. John 7:52 – 8:11
 - 2. Mark 16:9-20.
 - ii. Issues of culture –
 - iii. Apparent Contradictions like the Gospel account of the resurrection.
 - iv. Some stories are hard to Believe

- III. Reasons to Trust the Bible
 - a. Fulfilled Prophecies
 - i. Daniel 9:24-27
 - ii. Zachariah 12:
 - iii. Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12
 - b. Historical Accuracy
 - i. Archaeology
 - c. Accuracy of the Current Text
 - d. Life Changing
 - e. Most importantly the Word of God teaches about THE WORD OF GOD – Jesus Christ. We believe the Bible introduces us to the person of Jesus Christ who is the Savior of the World!

1. John 14:6 –
2. I John 1:1
3. John 20:31

- IV. What the Bible says about itself.
 - a. 2 Peter 1:16-18
 - b. Isaiah 40:8
 - c. Hebrews 4:12
 - d. 2 Tim. 2:6
 - e. Luke 1:1-4
 - f. Psalm 119:5, 9-16

- V. The end of the “Questions Series” is a visit with Dr. Rusty Maisel and the Enduring Word seminar on August 19-21.
 - a. Help us in our confidence in the text of the modern English Bible.
 - b. Examples of very old English texts
 - c. Examples of style of translations

For Further Study:

The Questions Christians Hope No One Will Ask by Mark Mittleburg

The 10 Most Common Objections to Christianity by Alex McFarland

How to Read the Bible for All It's Worth by Gordon Fee & Douglas Stuart

How We Got The Bible by Neil Lightfoot