

CALENDAR

Today Class 9:00 AM
 Worship 10:00 AM

THIS WEEK

Wednesday	Teen Refuge 6:45-8:15 PM Dinner @ 6:15
Wednesday	Mundo de Fe 6-8 PM

Nursery and Children’s Church

During the worship assembly, LRC has nurseries available for children ages birth – two years of age down the Preschool Ministry hallway. During the worship assembly, children ages 3-PreKindergarten will be dismissed to Children’s Church.

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.

Information and Communication

Please make sure that you keep up-to-date contact information in the church office. Please call 501.455.0900 or send an email to dave@littlerockchurch.org if you change your phone number or email.

Little Rock Church on Facebook: Please join the Little Rock Church Facebook page if you have a Facebook account. This is an open group and anyone can join. Please note that weekly announcements and leadership blog posts will also be posted on the facebook page.

Leadership and Student Ministry Blogs: Please take time to sign up for the LRC blogs on the webpage. You can see the blogs on the LRC webpage by clicking on the “blogs” tab at the top of the page.

Food Bank – Tuesday May 31

Food Bank will be open Tuesday, May 31 instead of Monday because of the holiday. As always, extra help is appreciated during the day setting up tables and chairs as well as packing boxes and also in the evening helping serve dinner and distributing boxes of food.

Summer Schedule for Little Rock Church
BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY!!!!!!

Meeting Schedule Changes Begin Sunday, June 5

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. **Sign up today at the rear of the auditorium.**

A list with dates and places for Summer Play Days is on page two. Please see Rachael Smith or Deana Nall for more information

Little Rock Church Purposes:



Worship



Community



Outreach



Spiritual Formation



ReNew Community Church Update

I had the privilege of preaching for ReNew Community Church last Sunday. I had a great time seeing a few families that attended LRC at one time now very involved in the life of ReNew Community Church. Spencer is doing a wonderful job reaching out to those in Cabot Community without a church home. Many families are getting involved in a church for the first time in many, many years

I met one man that had recently returned to Cabot to be near his family after a painful divorce and has found a church home after meeting Spencer in a parking lot. I met a family who had been looking for a church home and then met Spencer and Jennifer at the community school. I met an 18 year old young lady who had recommitted her life to the Lord through the ministry of ReNew and was ready to be baptized on Sunday night.

Spencer is leading worship for us today at LRC. Let's all thank God for his faithful ministry in Cabot!

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. I wanted to share the information with you so that you can join me in praying for these people.

Judy Garner and Cindy Stanford:

These two ladies are on a mission trip in Rwanda, Africa for two more weeks! They are working with Africa Reads which is a ministry that teaches literacy in English classrooms in the country of Rwanda. You can follow their travels by reading Judy's blog at rowndrwanda.blogspot.com. I enjoy reading Judy's post very, very much.

Kendall White:

Kendall is in Haiti for three weeks of ministry with a group from Harding. Please pray for safety for his travels and ministry.

We will also have the youth group mission trips this summer to Ft. Worth and New Orleans. I will be traveling with the JR High Group to New Orleans. Please pray for our teens to grow in the Lord on these trips.

LRC Summer Play Days Summer 2011

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Friday, June 17

Maumelle Pool Party
(At Maumelle Pool)
Evening pool party for families
Starting time (TBA)

Thursday, June 23

Pool Play Day
Home of Katie Mitchell
10:30-12:30
Bring appropriate pool gear and lunches

Thursday, June 30

River Market Play Day
(Peabody Splash Park)
10:30-12:30
Bring swimsuits for the kids, towels, and a lunch

Thursday, July 7

Water Play Day
LRC
10:30-12:30
Water slides, bubbles and more!
Bring towels, sunscreen and lunch

Thursday, July 11

Play Day
TBA

Thursday, July 21

Play Day
The Wonder Place
10:30-12:30
Pack a lunch

Thursday, July 28

Pool Play Day
Williams' Pool
(1021 Cherry Ridge Rd., Alexander)
10:30-12:30

Thursday, August 4

Play Day
Home of Beth Moore
(40 Danube Drive, Maumelle)
10:30-12:30

Thursday, August 11

Play Day
TBA



“Questions: Growing our Faith Through Scripture”

7-12th graders will join the adults this summer as Lynn Cook and others lead us through an important teaching series called “*Questions: Growing Our faith Through Scripture.*” Topics include the role of Scripture in a postmodern world, spiritual authority, sexuality and God, dealing with pain and suffering in our world, and more. These are great topics for parents and teens to discuss at home. Relevant articles, resources and links will be posted to the web site as appropriate.

Our teens also have the opportunity to serve in our children’s and preschool ministry this summer. Teens will serve as teaching assistants in our preschool classes, help lead worship, lead groups, create signs, banners, etc and provide audio and video support. Parents of teens interested in helping, please contact Chad.

Junior High Retreat

16 students and 6 adults are away on a junior high retreat. They will return this afternoon around 2 PM.

Student Ministry T-Shirts

Support our student ministry by purchasing a T-shirt today. Order your shirts today at the kiosk outside our preschool door at the back of the auditorium. Orders will be placed June 2.

Summer Kick-Off

Students from LRC, Crosswalk, Chenal Valley, University and National Park Churches will have a summer kickoff cookout at the Eldor Johnson Pavilion in Burns Park Friday, June 3. Meet at Burns Park as early at 5 PM or the building at 4:30 PM. There will be disc golf, volleyball, ultimate Frisbee and other games. Cost is \$5 for food. We will return to the building around 9 PM. Bring a friend.

Next Level

9-12th graders are invited to Chad and Deana’s next Sunday, June 5, 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

There will be no Refuge this Wednesday, June 1. Refuge will resume Wednesday, June 8, from 7-9 PM. Doors open at 6:30 PM. There will be no dinner at Refuge during the summer.

Looking Ahead

June 1	No Refuge
June 3	Summer Kick off at Burns Park
June 5	Next Level
June 8	Refuge 7-9 PM

Weekly Student Ministry Events

Refuge Wednesday nights 7-90 PM

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

Chad Nall or Krissi Fry

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Chad@littlerockchurch.org



Promotion Sunday

Sunday, June 5, 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.

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	Walker 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.	Helen Walker, Tom Walker's mother, passed away May 21.
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.	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, began chemotherapy last week.

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 - Mary Mathis and Stephanie Walker	<u>Today:</u> Tommy and Lindsey Curtis	<u>Serving in May:</u> Goad/Moore HC
18-36 Months - Phyllis Holder and Beth Moore		
<u>Next Week</u> - Carol Lybarger, Wanda Walker, Jill and Emily Dabbs, and Ericka Vargas	<u>Next Sunday:</u> Chad and Deana Nall	<u>Preparing in May:</u> Tammy Higdon

House Church Questions -- Week of May 29

Exodus 40: Filled with God's Glory

1. As you reflect back on the book of Exodus, which story was the most meaningful to you?
2. Read Exodus 40:33-38. How do you think Israel responded to God's glory filling the tabernacle?
3. Why is it significant that Exodus ends with this event?
4. Read Ephesians 2:19-22. Compare and contrast the tabernacle in Exodus to the church today.
5. Read 1 Corinthians 6:18-20. What does this passage personally mean to you as a Christian?

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Jordan's ANGOLA NEWS

A MONTHLY UPDATE ON MY LIFE AND WORK FOR ANGOLA, AFRICA



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✧ Answered Prayer! ✧

My visas application for Angola has finally been approved! Praise God! Thank you all so much for your continued prayers. Read on and see what that means for the future.

VISAS: THE NEVER-ENDING STORY

My departure is finally in sight! My Angolan visa, along with one other team member's, is approved! Sadly, the others were requested to submit more paperwork - that we had already submitted once, no less. But, the others "should" have visas in a few weeks. As we are a team, the consulate is waiting to issue my visa until the others are ready, because once the visa is issued there is only a small window of time to enter the country. I can request my visa to enter the country & begin to learn culture & healthcare, but this gives me some time to prepare for entering solo or the choice to continue waiting for the others to receive theirs'. Looking back over this time of

waiting I see some frustrations, but mostly blessings in the form of relationships & language growth. I have maintained my trust in God's timing, but struggled with feeling I have let you all down because I am not yet in Angola. I hope you all understand that I do not want to take advantage of the support you all are so generously giving, I am simply at the mercy of an essential visa process that is completely unpredictable & "unrushable". This process will be my life in Africa & I prepared mentally to some extent, though this delay exceeded all of our fears. But I hope you know that I am trying to use my time in wise preparation & to conserve financially for my time Angola.

CHECK OUT MY BLOG: WWW.JORDANYARBROUGH.WORDPRESS.COM

Thoughts On Learning My Second Language

I have decided the old term “second tongue” is an apt one. I need one! I am leaning to speak a different way - there are some days when my tongue muscles won't cooperate & I can't make the right sounds! But I praise God that I come a little further each day. And after all, it is a great ice breaker to laugh with people over your mistakes or lapses of memory. For continuing language practice & to prepare for the future, I am translating healthcare material, journaling in Portuguese, & preparing lessons. Our team also recently presented on our vision for Angola & ways Portuguese Christians could be involved. It was a positive challenge for me even though I don't particularly like public speaking - that is part of my life now. The hard work can get old at times, but after this year I will never take the gift of communication for granted again. There is so much that needs to be said! I appreciate the importance of sharing on a personal level (as I was unable to do it for so long) & give praise every time I am able to communicate a heartfelt thought clearly. At baby showers here, the women all take turns sharing wisdom & blessings with the new mother. I had never participated verbally in this part before, but this last time they surprised me by asking me to speak. I shared how God teaches us so much through children, speaking to us through their joy & unconditional love. When I finished, I was elated to realize I had done it!

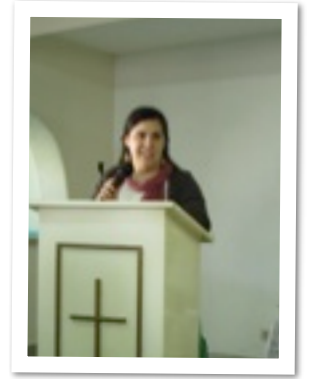


Photo: Portuguese presentation at a church in Carcavelos



Photo: united in prayer for Angola

Time of Prayer for Angola

On Sunday, March 27 @ 5pm, Little Rock Church hosted the first Day of Prayer for Angola & the Angola Mission Team in collaboration with the Meyer family's supporting church (Central church of Christ). It was a time of heartfelt intercession with over one hundred of our supporters in the area. We had so many people contribute by leading singing, focusing our intercession, and providing childcare, snacks, & support! I

was blessed to be there to join in the prayers & received so much encouragement from those gathered there. The purpose of this time was to help educate supporters about how to specifically pray during this time in our ministry, and to help forge personal connection to the people of Angola by showing some of their faces & sharing their history. We plan for the second Angola Day of Prayer in Little Rock this fall. There are also similar upcoming events in other areas where we have clusters of supporters/supporting churches. If you would like your church to host a similar event, feel free to contact me for ideas.

To see pictures & read more: www.angolateam.org/2011/04/angola-day-of-prayer-recap/ . To see the video shown about our Angola & our team go to: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-702XH1p3z8>



Photo: Placing our requests at the cross

CHECK OUT THE TEAM SITE FOR INFO: WWW.ANGOLATEAM.ORG

Prayer Requests

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- Spiritual Growth
- Work Fund
- Team Preparation
- Language Study
- Partners in Ministry
- Angola

The Blessing of “Home”!

After a wonderful month in the US, I returned to Portugal. The visit home was so refreshing & relaxing, despite my fairly busy schedule. It was wonderful to drink Dr Pepper, eat Reese’s Pieces, sing in English at church, & most of all spend time

with family & friends. I loved the visits, meals & worship with my church family, and being able to visit groups & classes to share about Angola & my time in Portugal. Thanks to all who hosted me. I only wish I had more time to spend with all of you!

TIMELINE & EVENTS

FEB ’11

Visa applications refused

MARCH 2011

Visit to States;
Day of prayer for Angola

MAY 2011

Visa application approved!

JUNE 2011

Move to Angola!
(We hope!)

PRAISE HIM!

While home, instead of receiving our visas as hoped, we learned the embassy had closed while we were obtaining the final paperwork. This was very discouraging for a time, but God used His people to remind me many times of His power over all & His perfect timing. I was encouraged to seek God’s work for me in Portugal when I returned, as well as to praise God for His protection & planning for our arrival in Angola. We hope it is soon, but we know it won’t be a moment too late.

THANK YOU!

While I was back in the States, some families told me that they set aside a certain time every week to lift me up to God in prayer. This is very humbling, but at the same time I draw encouragement & strength from this knowledge. Despite our difficulty with visas, I don’t doubt that this is where God wants me. I have never doubted that. Thank you for your prayers & please continue to pray that we can begin working together in Angola soon!

FUND RAISING

If you are interested in contributing, you can go to my blog to print off a commitment sheet to mail, or fill it out online. Donations can be sent to my supporting church at the address given on page 1. I still need one-time and/or regular gifts to provide my Work Fund while in Angola (work related travel expenses, medical & teaching supplies, internet, etc). I still need \$83.33/mo or \$1,000/yr to cover these costs. This fund is necessary for outreach once I get to Angola. Thank you!

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