



Little Rock Church

Join Us In The Journey

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Teaching Assembly 9 AM
Worship Assembly 10 AM

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CALENDAR

January 2010

January 17, 2010

THIS WEEK

Wednesday Teen Refuge–Dinner @ 6:15 PM

Thursday Men’s Basketball 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 Pre-School Ministry hallway. During the worship assembly, children ages 3-PreKindergarten will be dismissed to Children’s Church.

Foundations Class

Foundations Class will be held TODAY, January 17 at 9:00 AM. We host Foundations Class to share important information about LRC for those considering LRC as a church home. The class will meet in the middle classroom of the multipurpose room.

Elder Prayer Time

Our elders meet to pray every Sunday morning during the 9:00 AM class period. They would like to remind everyone they are always available during this time period for anyone who desires prayers.

Women’s Ministry Planning

The Women’s Ministry is making plans for 2010-2011 and would love your input! Anyone who has a passion for women’s ministry and would like to be a part of the planning process, please contact Jeannie Cagle by January 17 by email (jcagle@cokergroup.com) or phone (678-773-5146).

Building a Successful Stepfamily Conference

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9 AM Adult Bible Class – Our new class series led by Mike and Jeannie entitled “Seeking God’s Face” continues today. The class focus is on spiritual formation and the spiritual practices that keep us close to God. Through January, a combined class will meet in the auditorium. In February, we will break out into age group classes for follow-up and discussion.

Preaching Series – Today Lynn will be sharing on our 2010 vision. Next Sunday, January 24 we will begin a preaching series on I John entitled *Lessons in Love*. Lynn Cook and Chris Dickinson will be teaching the series.

Please Consider

- A one-time gift for moving and language school expenses
- Committing to monthly or yearly gifts to support the work in Angola
- Joining LRC’s support team to help keep the church informed and excited about the work God is doing in Angola
- Pray for Angolans to be ready to receive the Gospel message



Contribution forms are on the Angola board at the back of the auditorium or @:www.jordanyarbrough.wordpress.org

A Dad-Sized Challenge

Geyer Springs First Baptist Church is hosting a seminar for dads of boys February 21*, 4:30 - 7:30 PM called “A Dad-Sized Challenge.” It’s a seminar for dads with sons ages birth-teenage years. This half-day will inspire and challenge you. It’s a great investment to make in your children. Reserve a spot now by contacting Geyer Springs at 455-3474. Cost is \$15. See Chad Nall if you have any questions.

**Please note this event has been rescheduled. The original date was January 16.*

Bridal Shower

A bridal shower honoring Miranda Lybarger is scheduled Sunday, January 24, 2-4 PM at the home of Starla Goad, 19808 Mallard Cove. Miranda is registered at WalMart and Bed, Bath, and Beyond.

Little Rock Church Purposes:



Magnify



Unify



Evangelize



Mature



Equip

Update on Gateway Church

I had the opportunity this week to talk to several people in the Gateway Church family. I can't tell you how encouraging it is to me to hear about the good things happening in Saline County through the people of Gateway Church.

Gateway continues to grow. Just two weeks ago, they hit the **100 mark in attendance**. It is an important threshold for a young church and is giving them a measure of excitement and energy to keep growing.

Here's a story about their last person to be baptized a couple of weeks ago. A lonely, older lady was invited to the church a sometime ago by a young couple who are members of Gateway and have made a practice of inviting co-workers to church. The lady attended for a season and soon was in a Bible study with several Gateway members. She was baptized two weeks ago!

I also wanted to share that Brooks Nichols (longtime elder at LR Church) is doing better. He continues to use oxygen to get around. He is serving as an elder of Gateway Church and hugging everyone he can Sundays at the front doors.

Gateway Church has also bought property in Benton off Congo Road on Longhills Rd. At some point in the future, they will begin a building program. Please pray for God to bless and grow Gateway Church!

Lynn Cook

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Orphan Care and LR Church

I am so thankful for the sermon that Casey Picker shared with LR Church last Sunday. Casey did a great job! I was inspired to consider how my family and our church family can get involved in Orphan Care and Adoption. I am thankful that Cindy Stanford has a great ministry at LR Church called "Hope's Embrace". Please ask Cindy how you can get involved.

Orphan care is commanded of the church. God has commanded his people to care for orphans in the Old and New Testament. If I understand scripture correctly, it is one of the measures he uses to determine our faithfulness. Orphan care can come in many, many forms such as helping the CALL Ministry in Central AR, volunteering at a DHS office to clean up and provide childcare when needed, and working at an orphanage in the US or abroad. Adoption is a Godly option for some families. Christian families should take time to ask God if it is in his will for their family to consider adoption. Adoption is not for everyone, but everyone can consider what they can do to help orphans.

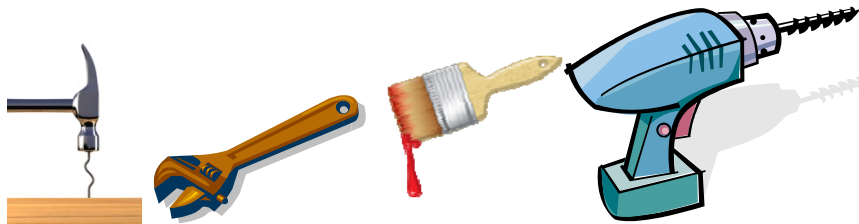
I hope LRC grows this ministry in the coming years. Orphan Care and Adoption are signs of a healthy church with people eager to serve God.

Mike Cagle

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Fixin' things Upward



Steve Thompson is starting a new ministry this month called "Fixin' things Upward." The purpose of the ministry will be to serve others in our community who need small repairs or services. The people he has in mind are the elderly, poor, infirmed, disabled, and others who don't have the means to do their own household repairs.

We are looking for people with the "handyman" gift and tools to do such work. Some of you may be like me who can be a good assistant. Steve says, *"I envision each volunteer doing 1 or 2 repairs per month. Cost of the supplies to do the repairs will either be borne by the volunteers, paid by the people requesting the repairs or perhaps even the Fixin things Upward program could raise funds to offset these costs."*

If you can help, please contact Steve Thompson at drthompson@lrccar.com



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Winter Retreat

Winter Retreat is this weekend, January 22-24, at Wyldewood. It's not too late to sign up. We will leave LRC at 5:30 PM this Friday and return Sunday around 1 PM. Cost is \$35 per student. See Chad Nall for more details.

Wilderness Trek

Registration has begun for Sr. High Wilderness Trek July 23-31. Wilderness Trek is a guided expedition in Colorado that includes, rappelling, hiking and white-water rafting. Chad Nall and Mike Cagle will lead this trip.

All participants must submit a \$75 deposit by February 1, attend all pre-trek meetings, and help with fund raising efforts. Students must be entering 9th grade fall 2010 in order to go. Please make checks payable to Little Rock Church. See Chad Nall for more details.

Youth Huddle

The first youth huddle for 2010 is scheduled for January 31 at the home of Scott and Ashley Philbrick.

To Save a Life

9-12th graders will go see a movie, *To Save a Life*, for Refuge, Wednesday, January 27. Cost is \$6 if paid by this Wednesday, \$9 at the door. You can find out more about the movie at www.tosavealifemovie.com

Calendar of events

Jan 22-24 Winter retreat
Jan 31 Huddle
Wilderness Trek deposit due

Weekly Student Ministry Events

Bible Study Sundays 9:00 AM
Refuge Wednesday 6:15-8:15 PM
Calling 7-12th graders to become more like Jesus for the sake of others.

Chad Nall or Krissi Fry

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LRC Kids Ministry

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

Prayer List

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Home Away from Home Patients	Kyle Bennett
Juanita Rigdon, Lee Hambleton, Shirley Casey, Letitia Syler, Don Trammell, Sandra Allen, Richard Rich, Harvey Moody, Paul Urban, Pearl McCoy, Carla Ferguson, Ruby Ray, Earl Siles, Paula Gimer, and Richard Denstatt	Kyle Bennett, who is the brother in law of Kevin Birdwell and Kama Medders, has been diagnosed with cancer. Lesions have been discovered in his lungs and neck. He will be meeting with his doctors Tuesday to discuss treatment.
Vipin Nischal	Buddy Cagle
Please continue to pray for Vipin's mother who is ill with cancer.	Mke's father was in the hospital this week for observation after a fall. He is home, but still experiencing quite a bit of dizziness.
Lathan Gregg	Bradley Smith (nephew of Ken and Pat Waits)
Lathan Gregg, son of former LRC members Rance and Heather Gregg, and grandson of former members Gary and Carolyn Gregg, is being treated for leukemia.	Bradley Smith, who had been in Afghanistan only about a month was killed in action recently. Please continue to pray for this family.
Sherry Nichols	Sid Moore's Father
Sherry Nichols is scheduled for more tests this week.	Mr. Moore is meeting with his doctors to discuss bypass and heart valve surgery.

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 Jan Abbey 18-36 Months Linda and Hayley Murphy	<u>Today :</u> Trey and Lana Clifton	<u>Serving in January:</u> Ballard/Walker HC
<u>Next Sunday:</u> Angie King, Stephanie Shepherd, And Becky Cranford	<u>Next Sunday :</u> Alan and Jill Dabbs	<u>Preparing in December</u> Philbrick Family

We wanted to share this note from one of our Food for the Hungry families:

Dear Little Rock Church,

I am always appreciative of the help you give me with food.

I wanted to thank you for the wonderful Christmas Dinner you served and also tell you how nice it was to have a turkey to cook for Christmas.

Thank you so much for all you do.

God Bless,

Velina Lynch