



January 24, 2010

Teaching Assembly 9 AM
Worship Assembly 10 AM

CALENDAR

Today

All Adult Classes Meet in the Auditorium

THIS WEEK

Monday	Food Bank – Workers needed at 7:30 AM And 4:30 PM
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 PreSchool Ministry hallway. During the worship assembly, children ages 3-PreKindergarten will be dismissed to Children’s Church.

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 January by email (jcagle@cokergroup.com) or phone (678-773-5146).

Building a Successful Stepfamily Conference

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Lessons in Love: I John Preaching Series

Today we begin a preaching series on I John entitled *Lessons in Love*. Lynn Cook and Chris Dickinson will be preaching the series. Please see the study guide in the bulletin each week for house church discussion questions, an overview, and memory verses for adults and kids.

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 First Baptist Church at 455-3474. Cost is \$15. See Chad Nall if you have any questions.

Bridal Shower honoring Miranda Lybarger

A bridal shower honoring Miranda Lybarger, wife of Sean Lybarger and daughter-in-law of Mike and Carol Lybarger, is scheduled today, 2-4 PM at the home of Starla Goad, 19808 Mallard Cove. Miranda is registered at WalMart and Bed, Bath, and Beyond.

Baby Shower honoring Kasie Birdwell

All ladies are invited to a baby shower honoring Kasie Birdwell Sunday, January 31, 2:00-3:00 PM at the home of Beth Minor, 3809 Hwy 128, Londsedale, AR. Kasie is registered at Target and Babies R Us.

Baby Shower honoring Amanda Gentry Johnston

A baby shower honoring Amanda Gentry Johnston, daughter of Charlie and Renee Gentry, is scheduled February 7, 1:30 – 3:30 PM at the home of Angela Driskill, 906 Hilltop Road, Alexander. It’s a boy and she is registered at Target and Babies R Us.

Bridal Shower honoring Erin Reed

All ladies are invited to attend a bridal shower for Erin Reed on Sunday, March 7, from 2-4 PM at the home of Jeannie Cagle, 23 Kanis Creek Place, Little Rock. Erin is registered at Bed, Bath, and Beyond.

Haiti Relief

Several have asked about how and where to donate money to help with earthquake relief in Haiti.

Pleasant Valley Church of Christ is serving as a collection point for relief funds. The church has supported mission efforts for many years in Haiti and the Haiti Development Project has been overseen by PV member Dr. David Smith.

Checks can be sent to Pleasant Valley Church of Christ, 10900 Rodney Parham Road, Little Rock, AR 72212, Please memo the check *Haiti Relief*. For more information, please contact **Roger Pritchett**, Missions Minister at Pleasant Valley, at (501) 492-2723 or roger@pvcc.org.

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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Lessons In Love: I John

Today we begin a Textual Study out of the book of I John. I am so excited that we are presenting this material. We realized early in our preparation that you cannot understand I John without understanding the author of the book, the Apostle John. Our first lesson will be an overview of the life of John. I will be presenting the lesson today. The series is collaboration between me, Chris Dickinson and Mary Lee Dell. We are the preaching research team for this preaching series. I am so thankful to work with these guys. Next week, Chris will be presenting a textual study from I John Chapter 1:1-4.

Each week in this series we will present a sermon, an overview/study guide, memory verse for adults and kids and follow-up discussion questions for use in house church. Please take time to work on the memory verses in your house church meeting. We are asking everyone to learn a verse each week.

Mike Cagle

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Angola Mission Update

Thanksgivings have been poured out to God for the generous response to Jordan's plea for financial assistance in getting to Portugal and working in Angola. She is very close to being able to purchase her ticket for Portugal. She can't do that until she has raised all her funds. There are two areas where she still needs help. One is her one time expense in Portugal for language training. The second area is her yearly salary.

On February 21, Sunday, we are having a fundraiser to raise the \$8,500 for her onetime expense for language training in Portugal. Please pray and consider what you can give to help make that possible.

The second area is her yearly salary. She still needs \$7000.00 dollars a year for four years and two months (50 months). She needs just under \$600 a month. If six people can give a \$100 a month for that time period it will be covered. If 12 people can give \$50 a month for that period it will be covered. If 24 of you can give \$25 a month she will be covered. Please consider what you can do to make her dreams and calling come true.

Mike Cagle



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Winter Retreat

This morning our 7-12th graders are at Wyldewood for our annual winter retreat. They should return around 1 PM today.

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. **There will be a brief (15 minutes or less) Trek meeting Wednesday, February 3 right after Refuge for those signed up.** 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 from 6-8 PM. Dinner will be provided.

To Save a Life

9-12th graders will go see a movie, *To Save a Life*, for Refuge, Wednesday, January 27. Cost is \$9 at the door. You can find out more about the movie at www.tosavealifemovie.com. Meet at LRC at 6:15 or Tinseltown in Benton at 6:30 PM.

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.

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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 Gateway Church members Kevin Birdwell and Kama Medders was determined NOT to have lymphoma. He does have an unusual infection which is quite widespread and has not been responsive to antibiotics. Please continue to pray for him and his family.
Vipin Nischal	
Please continue to pray for Vipin's mother who is ill with cancer.	
Lathan Gregg need to update	Norma Kaiser
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.	Mrs. Norma is recovering from back surgery last week.
Edna Higdon	Sid Moore's Father need to update
Edna Higdon, Tammy Higdon's grandmother, has been placed in hospice care.	Mr. Moore will be 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 18-36 Months Angie King, Stephanie Shepherd, and Becky Cranford	<u>Today :</u> Alan and Jill Dabbs	<u>Serving in January:</u> Ballard/Walker HC
<u>Next Sunday:</u> Susie Brown, Tracy, Mary Beth, and Hope Williams	<u>Next Sunday :</u> Chad and Deana Nall	<u>Preparing in January</u> Philbrick Family



Lessons in Love: I John Week One John – Pastor of Love

Basic Information about John

- John wrote the 4th Gospel, I II and III John, and Revelation
- John's parents Zebedee and Salome. Zebedee was a wealthy fisherman from Bethsaida area. John was a 1st cousin for Jesus through Salome. (Matt.27:56, Mark16:1)
- John was a follower of John the Baptist (John 1:35)
- Called to follow Christ (Mark 1:19-20)
- In the inner circle of disciples that followed Jesus

What was John's personality like?

- Firey – Luke 9:54
- Arrogant and Ambitious – Mark 10:35-45 and Luke 9:46-50
- Self Focused – Luke 9:49-50

What were the events that changed John?

- John 19:25-27 (Foot of the Cross)
- John 20:1-9 (Empty Tomb)
- John 21:1-14 (Restoration)

Questions for further discussion:

- How can you see John change as he followed Christ?
- How did each of the events outlined above call John to change?
- Can people see the power of Christ in your life because you have changed?
- What areas of your life need to experience change?

Memory Verse:

Acts 4:13

"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were untrained and uneducated men, they marveled. And, they realized that they had been with Jesus."