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You Are Here!

Dear Church Family,
Have you ever seen one of those maps with an arrow on it that says, "You Are Here"? The most familiar one in my mind is the one in a mall that shows where all the shops are at. It has this "you are here" arrow to let you know where you are at and where the other shops are so that you can find how to get where you are going.

I think it is good for us to look at our lives and see where we are at in this Journey we call life. We need to first decide where we are going and what we want to accomplish or looking at the, you are here, sign will have no meaning. I believe that we are created as eternal beings in the image of God. That means that I can only end up in one of two places when I die, heaven or hell. I think you would all agree with me that heaven is the much better alternative. So, if that is our desire and our goal, i.e. the destination we want to end up someday we need to assess where we are on the, "You are here", map and take steps to get there.

Let's start with the basics. John 14:6, "Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

That means in order for me to get to heaven I have to go through Jesus. So the million dollar question for all of eternity is: where are you at with Jesus Christ?

An acquaintance: Maybe, You Are Here. You've heard about Jesus. You know enough to know the story that He died on a cross and rose again from the dead on the third day.

You've heard the name and little else.

A pal: You've mentally accepted the story about Jesus. You think that Church makes you feel better about life. You are willing to check out the claims and study some more to see what you want to do with Jesus.

Dating: A lot of people are at this point in the Journey. They've said, Yes I believe this is the way to go, but haven't made a firm commitment yet. Kind of like you do in a dating relationship. You like each other, you are exploring this friendship to see if this relationship is going someplace or you are going to look for someone else to meet your needs.

Married: The Bible calls the church the bride of Christ. Maybe, You Are Here. Christianity is not about religion as much as it is a relationship with Jesus Christ. If you believe that Jesus Christ died for your sins and you are ready to accept Him as your Lord and Savior then you need to follow the process that Peter laid out on the day of Pentecost in Acts 2:38, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit...." Baptism is like a wedding ceremony where we say, "Yes, I want

all that Jesus has to offer and I am willing to give my life to Him so that I may be forgiven, have the gift of the Holy Spirit within me and may spend eternity in Heaven with God."

If you were with us on Easter Sunday you had the blessing of seeing two more people say, "Yes, I want all that Jesus has to offer and I am willing to give my life to Him so that I may be forgiven, have the gift of the Holy Spirit within me and may spend eternity in Heaven with God." Cole Merly and Wanda Minard were baptized into Christ and we got to rejoice with the angels in Heaven. God is so good!

This month on April 20th at 6PM we are going to offer our CCR-DNA class for those who want to know more about the church, those who missed it in January, or those who want to grow in their faith. The first section of that has to deal with our relationship with Christ. Today as you look at your life where are you on the "You Are Here" map? Is Jesus an acquaintance, a pal, are you dating, or are you a part of the bride of Christ? If you have any questions at all about how to move further down the road on this journey to Heaven, please don't hesitate to ask myself or Isaiah or one of our Elders more. Let's all continue down the road together....

On The Journey,

Todd

The church
has left
the building.



Servant Evangelism

For April we are going to be handing out granola bars with a connection card attached at local Soccer Games. Times and Dates: **TBA**. Please check the bulletin or call the church office for more information.

Church Leadership:

The New Testament Deacon class will begin on April 13th and will last five or six weeks. If you are interested in being a Deacon make plans on attending this class.



Family Movie Night:
Saving Sarah Cain
April 18th at 7pm

Todd's taking a Vacation

Todd and his family will be taking a vacation from March 28th-April 3rd. If you have any issues or questions during this time, please seek the Elders, or Isaiah.

New Library Books

Kathleen Holbert has added some new books to the church library. Find something good to read that will challenge your faith!

CCR Goals for 2008:

1. Establish a Natural Church Development team.

The team would meet once a quarter, help the church work on the minimum factor and help the leadership set ministry direction for the next year.

2. ~~To go from 7 Home/Small Groups to 9.~~

3. To expand the leadership team of the church by:

*Seeking out men who are qualified and aspire to the Eldership

*Seeking out two men or women to be Deacons over two of the quality characteristics for churches: Need-Oriented Evangelism & Gift-Based Ministry.

4. To solidify the financial base of the church by:

*Encouraging members to greater support the ministry of the church.

*Praying for wisdom in expenses.

*Praying for God to add additional people to our congregation

5. To expand the youth ministry of the church by:

*Starting a program/study designed for elementary age students.

*Have two youth groups meeting with Junior High and Senior High ages.

*Do more outreach geared toward the youth of the community. i.e. Servant Evangelism ideas

*Continue to reach out to the CWC students.

Please pray for these goals as we continue to seek serving God and reaching our community

Be Still and Quiet...

"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

As we were talking in the Minister's meeting this last Wednesday, we were talking about personal quiet times with God, and how they're usually not that quiet...

Sometimes we're so loud during our "quiet" times that we can't hear what God is trying to tell us...

We know from 1 Kings 19 that God comes and speaks to us in a still, small voice...

There's a story of a man working in an ice plant amid the ice, and in the sawdust in which the ice was stored, lost a valuable watch.

His fellow workmen searched with him for more than two hours, but were unable to find it. They left the plant for lunch and returned to find a little boy with the watch in his hand. "How ever did you find it?" they inquired.

He replied, "I just lay down in the sawdust and heard it ticking."

We, too, cannot find God by intensive, bustling search, but must "be still, and know that I am God."

Are you listening?

This month, go through your devotions with God with quiet intent, asking God what he wants you to hear that day. Too many times we are the ones who choose what we want to hear out of his word... When he wants to tell us things so much greater...

So I ask you again...

Are you listening for that still small voice?

In Christ,
Isaiah

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<p>30) Music: B Text: Gal 4:12-31 9am Sunday School 10am Worship</p> <p>Todd Vacation</p>	<p>31) 7pm Home Group @ DesEnfants</p> <p>Todd Vacation</p>	<p>1) 7pm Men's LTG</p> <p>Todd Vacation</p>	<p>2) 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting</p> <p>Todd Vacation</p> 	<p>3) 10am Classes for Crafty Christians 7pm Youth Group 7pm Home Group @ Smith's 7pm Circle of Friends group</p>	<p>4) 7am: Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Elder's Meeting</p>	<p>5)</p>
<p>6) Music: C Text: Gal 5 9am Sunday School 10am Worship</p> 	<p>7) 7pm Life of David - Home Group @ DesEnfants'</p>	<p>8) 2pm Homestead Services 7pm Men's LTG 7pm CWF</p>	<p>9) 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting</p>	<p>10) 10am CCC 7pm Y.G. 7pm Home Group 7pm Circle of Friends group</p>	<p>11) 7am: Men's Prayer Breakfast</p> <p>Spring Thing in Cheyenne</p>	<p>12) Spring Thing</p>
<p>13) Music: A Text: Gal 6 9am Sunday School 10am Worship</p> <p>Return from Spring Thing</p>	<p>14) 7pm Home Group @ DesEnfants</p>	<p>15) 7pm Men's LTG</p>	<p>16) 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting</p>	<p>17) 10am CCC 7pm Y.G. 7pm Home Group 7pm Circle of Friends group</p>	<p>18) 7am: Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Elder's Meeting 7pm Movie Night: Saving Sarah Cain</p>	<p>19)</p>
<p>20) Music: B Text: Eph 1 9am Sunday School 10am Worship, Carry-in dinner-Business Meeting 6pm CCR-DNA Class</p>	<p>21) 7pm Home Group @ DesEnfants</p>	<p>22) 2pm Homestead Services 7pm Men's LTG</p>	<p>23) 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting</p> 	<p>24) 10am CCC 7pm Y.G. 7pm Home Group 7pm Circle of Friends group</p>	<p>25) 7am: Men's Prayer Breakfast</p> 	<p>26) Yard Sale at the Parsonage</p>
<p>27) Music: A Text: Eph 2 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6pm Unity Service at the River 212 Stone Dr</p> 	<p>28) 7pm Home Group @ DesEnfants</p>	<p>29) 7pm Men's LTG</p>	<p>30) 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting</p>	<p>1) 10am CCC 7pm Youth Group 7pm Home Group 7pm Circle of Friends group</p>	<p>2) 7am: Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am: Elders Meeting</p>	<p>3)</p>

Birthdays in April

Apr 2: Gavin Merly
Apr 6: Charlene VonKrosigk
Apr 23: Chris Foley
Apr 25: Teddy Smith
Apr 27: Orion Garcia

Major Events in April:

April 11-13: Spring Thing in Cheyenne, WY
April 18th: Movie Night - Saving Sarah Cain
April 20th: Carry in dinner, Business Meeting following
April 25-26: Men's Leadership Conference, Cheyenne WY
April 26: Yard Sale at the Parsonage
April 27: Unity Service at the River

Date	Meditations	Prayer	Nursery	Children's Church	Music
4/6	Archie Tank	Dean VonKrosigk	Sara Henni	Michelle DesEnfants	C
4/13	Barney Himes	Chris Foley	Lori Santee	Melissa Smith	A
4/20	Rod DesEnfants	Rita Schmidt	Autumn Vick	Carol Stelzner	B
4/27	Randy Stelzner	Retha Reinke	Charleen VonKrosigk	Henni's	C
5/4	S. Huddleston	Dean VonKrosigk	Sara Henni	Michelle DesEnfants	A

Men's Prayer Breakfast Chefs:

Date	Chef	Date	Chef	Date	Chef
4/4	Barney	4/11	Dean	4/18	Isaiah
4/25	Todd	5/2	Rod	5/9	Barney

If you would like to do meditations, prayer, CC or Nursery, please see Todd, Isaiah or Chris, respectively.

One of the biggest reasons people do not attend Church is that they have not been invited. Invite someone to Church every week this month!



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