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The Alarm is ringing, can you hear it?

Dear Church Family,
Summer is always interesting in the life of churches. For many churches attendance is down, for others it is constant and for a few it even goes up. The past several summers have been fairly constant at the CCR and I hope that trend continues. There is always that temptation when the weather gets nice to forsake fellowship and worship for any number of activities. May was rather alarming for attendance for me as many were gone. Not that it is bad to travel once in a while or to attend different events, but I hope that we don't make that a habit. Also alarming is the tendency that people have of not gathering together for worship or studies in the summer. The weather is good, the fish are biting, the game is on, or whatever.....

As we move to part three of our DNA this month it speaks of maturity. Part of maturing in our faith is by being plugged into a Home Group or Bible Study. Something beyond Sunday morning.

A Disciple of Jesus is:

1. One who is committed to following and has made Jesus Lord of their life. (Luke 9:23; John 8:31).
2. One who is becoming like Christ in attitude and action. (John 15:8; Romans 8:29; Galatians 5:22; John 13:35)
3. One who has committed their life to the mission of Christ (to save the lost world). (John 15:8; Matthew 4:19; 2

Corinthians 5:19-20).

4. One in a relational environment with other spiritually minded believers.

A relational environment is:

1. A small group of 3-15 people.
 2. A meeting with purpose and intentionality to grow as a disciple.
 3. A group led by a more mature disciple.
 4. A place where safe relationships are built.
 5. A place where accountability, pastoring, encouragement, and teaching exist.
 6. A regularly reoccurring meeting.
- We need relationship to succeed as a Christian. Hebrews 3:12, 13, "See to it brothers, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness."

Based on the definition of a disciple of Jesus above, are you living out the life of a disciple? Are you committed to a small group of Christians that is holding you accountable to God and helping you grow in your faith?

None of the activities that we engage in for summer fun are bad in and of themselves, but if they pull us away from worship or fellowship then there ought to be an alarm ringing in our ears. If we are not committed to each other in the body of Christ then Hebrews 3:12 and 13 can be true of us. Our hearts will turn away from God. This passage says to en-

courage one another daily. Who do you need to call today and give an encouraging word to?

As you enjoy this great world God has given us this summer, ask some questions of yourself before you engage in any activity. Based on the definition of a disciple of Jesus above:

1. **Does this activity help me follow Christ and keep Him Lord of my life?**
2. **Does this activity help me become more like Christ in attitude and action?**
3. **Does this activity help me in my mission to save the lost world? (am I bringing others closer to Jesus by doing it?)**
4. **Can I participate in this activity with other spiritually minded believers that will keep me focused on Christ?**

It has been great to see our small groups and studies increase already this year. That is one of our goals that has already been accomplished. There are many opportunities for you to be involved in fellowship and fun throughout the summer. Take advantage of them and may your faith be strengthened in the next three months. And don't just come to Church next Sunday invite a few others to come with you. After all the CCR is the best place to be in Riverton on Sunday mornings!

On The Journey,
Pastor Todd

Servant Evangelism

No planned outreach for June, but stay tuned and watch your bulletins for other opportunities for Outreach!

NCD Survey - Thank You!

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Natural Church Development Survey with us. Results will be in soon!



Don't forget - Senior and Junior Camp this month

Senior High Camp is for 8th-12th grade students and will be from June 22nd - 28th.

Junior Camp is for youth going into 4th up to 7th grade and will run from June 29th - July 4th.

The fee for either week of camp is \$85, but if you pre-register by June 10th to receive a free T-shirt, and save \$5

(That'd be \$80 and a t-shirt!)

If you are interested in camp, see Isaiah or Todd, or visit www.wwcyc.org for the camp's website, photos and more info.

Parade Float - July 26th

We will be having a float in the parade on July 26th, advertising the Live Nativity for next year. If you would like to help see Todd or Melissa.

No Family Movie Night

We will not be having a family movie night this month because of Camp. Stay tuned for another night in July.

Power Lab VBS June 2-6

There will be a VBS program for youth from age 3 all the way up to 5th grade this year at the United Methodist Church, June 2nd - June 6th from 12:30 to 3:30p.

See Eloise Himes if you have any questions.

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 CWC students.

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

Answers to common questions

I've been thinking about how we answer the common every day questions people ask, like "How are you?" I've come to find that I, and most people, treat it as a reflex action now, and say, "Fine," "Good," "Ok," and usually immediately respond, "How are you doing?" - and usually we tend to just say it and most likely ignore the answer the person gave.

I started asking myself, "Is that how I should be?"

I remember one time an answer caught me totally off guard. My brother and I were in the lawn-mowing business and would mow this guy's yard every week. One time I saw him, and asked him, "How are you doing?" and he said,

"Praising Him!"

Now that's how we're supposed to be! Praising God in everything!

So the next time someone asks you, "How are you doing?," think about if you're praising Him, or just going through the every day motions...

Just some thoughts,

In Christ,

Isaiah



WWCYC Camp

Senior Camp - June 22nd-28th
Junior Camp - June 29th-July 4th
See Isaiah or Todd for details

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1) Music: B Archie Tank 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6pm Middle School YG 	2) 1230 to 3:00p Power Lab VBS @ United Methodist Church Ages 3 thru 5th grade Monday - Friday	3) 1230 to 3:00p Power Lab VBS 7pm Men's Life Transformation Group	4) 1230 to 3:00p Power Lab VBS 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting	5) 1230 to 3:00p Power Lab VBS 7pm Youth Group 7pm Home Group 7pm Circle of Friends group	6) 7am: Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Elder's Meeting 1230 to 3:00p Power Lab VBS	7) Matt & Kimee's Wedding - 5pm
8) Music: C Text: Job 1-3 9am S.S. 10am Worship Board Meeting following 6pm Middle School YG	9) 	10) 2pm Homestead Services 7pm Men's LTG 7pm CWF 	11) 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting	12) 7pm Y.G. 7pm Home Group 7pm Circle of Friends group 	13) 7am: Men's Prayer Breakfast	14)
15) Music: A Text: Job 4-14 9am S.S., 10am Worship Father's Day Picnic at Sunset Park after service 6pm Middle School YG 	16)	17) 6pm Ladies' Mother's Day Tea with Salad buffet 7pm Men's LTG	18) 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting	19) 7pm Y.G. 7pm Home Group 7pm Circle of Friends group	20) 7am: Men's Prayer Breakfast 8am Elder's Meeting	21)
22) Music: B Text: Job 15-21 9am Sunday School 10am Worship Senior Camp	23) Senior Camp	24)  2pm Homestead Services 7pm Men's LTG Senior Camp	25) 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting Senior Camp	26) 7pm Home Group 7pm Circle of Friends group No Youth Group - Senior Camp	27) Senior Camp	28) Senior Camp ends
29) Music: C Text: Job 22-31 9am Sunday School 10am Worship Junior Camp	30) Junior Camp	1) 7pm Men's LTG Junior Camp	2) 1pm Minister's Prayer Meeting Junior Camp	3) 7pm Home Group 7pm Circle of Friends group No Youth Group - Junior Camp	4) Junior Camp ends	5)
Birthdays & Anniversaries in June June 1st: Randy and Carol Stelzner June 9th: Curtis and Ethel Godfrey June 10th: Rod and Michelle DesEnfant June 12th: Val Reinke June 15th: Stanley and Lucille Maxson June 24th: Val and Retha Reinke			Major Events in June: June 2nd-6th: Power Lab VBS @ United Methodist - 12:30 - 3pm June 7th: Matt and Kimee's Wedding - 5pm June 8th: Board Meeting right after service June 15th: Father's Day Picnic at Sunset Park after service June 22nd-28th: Senior Camp June 29th-July 4th: Junior Camp			

Date	Meditations	Prayer	Nursery	Children's Church	Music
6/1	Rod DesEnfants	Rita Schmidt	Sara Henni	Michelle DesEnfants	B
6/8	Randy Stelzner	Retha Reinke	Lori Santee	Melissa Smith	C
6/15	S. Huddleston	Dean VonKrosigk	Autumn Vick	Carol Stelzner	A
6/22	D. VonKrosigk	Rita Schmidt	Charleen VonKrosigk	Henni's	B
6/29	Archie Tank	Retha Reinke	Sara Henni	Melissa Smith	C
7/6	Barney Himes	Dean VonKrosigk	Lori Santee	Michelle DesEnfants	A

Men's Prayer Breakfast Chefs:

Date	Chef	Date	Chef	Date	Chef
6/6	Isaiah	6/13	Barney	6/20	Dean
6/27	No Breakfast	7/4	No Breakfast	7/11	Todd

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



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