

Family Life

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Tune's Notes

[Mike has spent many years encouraging us to read the Bible on a daily basis. The following article features our young people who have risen to that challenge. Mike has generously donated his space here to a report from his

wife, Monica Tune, who has promoted and encouraged this reading program.]

My boys will tell you that when I say to them "I'm proud of you." they know I AM PROUD OF THEM! I do not say those words lightly. When they did their best and tried their hardest, I was proud and I told them so. Today, I would like for everyone to know that I am VERY PROUD of the 14 children who completed their 2012 Daily Bible Readings

It's not easy to get in the habit of sitting down for a few minutes every day to read your Bible, especially with our hectic lifestyles – *and our children's schedules are often more hectic than our own!*

It takes planning, desire, and sometimes a strong determination to complete a goal. These 14 children had a goal. They all completed their goal. I know that my every week reminder "Are you caught up?" may have helped a little, but whatever inspired them to achieve their goal – it worked. I hope you all (young and old) have set a new goal for 2013. I hope you plan. I hope you have the desire. I hope you find the determination to find a Bible you enjoy reading and start again. Start today – it's not too late.

A fun time was had by all who attended the Daily Bible Reading Pizza party last week. We ate pizza, made ice cream sundaes with all the trimmings, played games (Bible Trivia, of course) and received prizes, and everyone received a little something for reading the Bible. I hope next year's party will be bigger.

Monica Tune



Resolutions

In the main stairwell of our church's building you will find a bulletin board. This board is regularly updated in various and creative ways by Peggy Williams. Currently she is highlighting "resolutions."

There is a tradition in our culture of people making New Year's Resolutions. These are changes we want to make to our lives during the coming year. There is also a long standing joke that most people will break these resolutions within days or months of making them. Essentially people make the same resolutions year after year because for various reasons they give up trying to keep them.

But - Peggy's bulletin board offers us a new challenge.

"Most people do not keep their resolutions. Let's try something new in 2013 - a different resolution and one a month!"

This is a great idea and a challenge I have taken. In my calendar I have a copy of the handout you can find tacked to the bulletin board. I will be using it as my resolution guide for the year.

You will find great ideas on the handout. For instance, in January we are challenged to "Pray each day for a certain person." In May we are challenged to "Find someone to help each week by doing a special deed." In September we are challenged to "Give thanks each day for a different blessing." As you can see, there is a wide variety of resolutions each month to encourage, bless and challenge each other.

I feel very encouraged about our growth this year. I feel that if we take advantage of our Elder's weekly prayer theme, these monthly resolutions and daily Bible reading, we will walk more and more deeply as the church the LORD has called us to be.

Finally thank you Peggy for your ministry through this bulletin board.

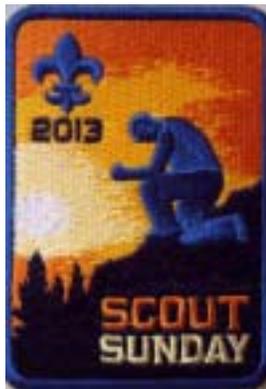
GRACE + PEACE
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Youth Corner

Today is the deadline to register for **Winterfest 2013**, and there will be a brief meeting at the front of the auditorium right after the service this morning to turn in your forms and fees. **Registration is not complete until the forms and fees are turned in, and Josh Byrd** must have this

information **NO LATER THAN** this evening.

Scout Sunday is coming up on February 3. All scouts - Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts - and leaders are invited to wear their uniforms at this special service. Josh Byrd, Youth Minister, states, "For just over 100 years of Scouting, God and faith have been central."



Prayer Sisters Return for 2013

Prayer Sisters - the program that started last year - will resume in February, according to **Diana Kuhn**, program coordinator. She added, "All the ladies of the congregation are invited to participate in this wonderful fellowship and ministry of caring and sharing in order to grow closer to God and sisters in Christ." There will be a Sunday in February when participating women may register for the program.

**Congregational Prayer Request
for week of January 27:
*Thanksgiving for Salvation
Through Jesus***

The **Quarterly Meeting of the C.A.R.E. Committee** [formerly benevolence] has been postponed until Feb. 10, according to **Wayne Doran**, the Elder contact for this program.



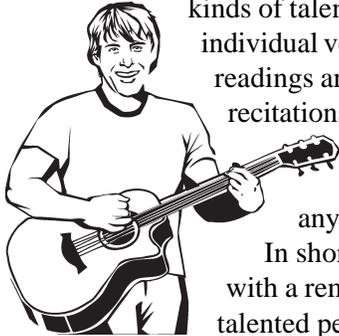
Two of our Elders are available after the morning assembly, in room 221 on the main level, to meet with anyone who would like prayer for special concerns.

What Is Your Talent? Think "Talent Show" on February 2

The annual **Talent Show and Chili/Soup Dinner** is scheduled for next Saturday, Feb. 2, at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. This event is for ALL ages - young children to senior citizens and everyone in between.



Over the years the show has been a display of all kinds of talent - duets on the guitar, individual vocal pieces, dramatic readings and comedy routines, poetry recitations, athletic demonstrations, performances of violin or cello or piano or drums or any number of instruments.



In short, Falls Church is blessed with a remarkable collection of very talented people - from the very

young to the more "mature" individuals.

Of course, some people just can't admit their talents, but that's ok too, since performers need an audience.

We plan to eat before the show, so bring a pot of chili or soup. Don't forget the "fixins" which include - but are not limited to - bread, cornbread, oyster crackers, regular crackers, croutons, shredded cheese, sour cream, black olives, minced onions, chopped tomatoes, corn chips, potato chips, etc.



Naturally, these events don't simply happen due to a fortuitous alignment of the stars. They



actually require some effort - like setting up tables and preparing and refilling drinks and putting out spoons and bowls and cleaning up the kitchen and putting away ladels and serving pieces. So, make sure you advise Janice of your availability to help.

Musicians needed

Snow or Inclement Weather Closing Policy

Please Post This Notice Where You Can Find It When You Need It

The weather definitely is cooler, and it's time to review our policy with regard to snow and collateral closings.

Not only heavy snow, but also icy conditions or a power failure can cause a cancellation. This is particularly true after dark. If the weather is at all doubtful, please call before coming.

We will attempt to alert you of any closings. However, sometimes that is impossible, so here are the tips you may use to prevent coming here to a closed building.

On Sunday, if weather conditions seem questionable, call the church at 703-820-4506. When you hear the recording, press #5 - News to learn of cancellations. You also may check the home page of our website: www.fallschurchcoc.org

During the week, program closings are linked to the Fairfax County Public Schools, as follows:

On Tuesday: If schools are closed or have a two-hour delayed opening on Tuesday, Ladies Bible Class will not meet.



Winter Closing Policy

On Wednesday: There will be no mid-week service if schools are closed due to inclement weather, whether school has been cancelled all day or closes early, or if all evening activities are cancelled.

The following are ways in which we will try to contact you:

1) If you will give us your name, your cell phone number, and the name of your cell carrier, we will notify you via text-message of any change in service times.

You can write these on your attendance cards or send us an email.

2) We will send out an email to all members.

3) We will post the notice on the home page of our website - www.fallschurchcoc.org or via Twitter - <http://twitter.com/cocfc>

4) We will post a notice on the church's phone system. If you dial the church's number (703-820-4506) and it rings but there is no answer or message, it means there is no electrical power to the building.

5) If all these fail, call your Agape group leader, one of the Elders, or Mike Tune.

February 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Exodus 11-13	2 Exodus 14-17 <i>Talent Show & Chili/Soup Night, 6 pm, FH</i> <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
3 Exodus 18-21 <i>Scout Sunday</i> <i>New Members Luncheon with Elders</i>	4 Exodus 22-24	5 Exodus 25-27 <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 am</i>	6 Exodus 28-30	7 Exodus 31-33	8 Exodus 34-36	9 Exodus 37-40 <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
10 Lev. 1-4 <i>C.A.R.E. Cmte. Mtg., 11:30 am</i> <i>2nd Sunday Finger Food Fellowship after pm service</i> <i>Missions Cmte. Mtg., ~ 7:30 pm</i>	11 Lev. 5-7	12 Lev. 8-10 <i>Ladies Bible Class & Potluck Lunch with Valentine theme @ 10:15 am</i>	13 Lev. 11-13	14 Lev. 14-16	15 Lev. 17-19 <i>Winterfest</i> →	16 Lev. 20-23 <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
17 Lev. 24-27 <i>Adult Education Cmte. Mtg., noon, library</i> <i>Winterfest return</i>	18 Numbers 1-3 <i>Presidents Day Holiday; office closed</i>	19 Num. 4-6 <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 am</i>	20 Num. 7-9	21 Num. 10-12	22 Num. 13-15	23 Num. 16-19 <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
24 Num. 20-23	25 Num. 24-26	26 Num. 27-29 <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 am</i>	27 Num. 30-32	28 Num. 33-35		

Continuing Concerns



General Information

For Children:

◆ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room -- located adjacent to the Assembly Center -- are available during our assembly.

◆ For ages 2 through pre-kindergarten year, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 and 221. Children are dismissed after communion.

Recordings: Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our web site after about four days. Recordings also are available in CD format for \$5.00 and may be ordered by completing a CD order envelope located in the foyer.

Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

Nursery Attendants

January 27, 2013

Morning

Lynda Eubank
Jennifer Smith

Evening

Sylvia Sartori

February 3, 2013

Morning

Agnes Jones
Kristine Spraker

Evening

Levenie Hughes

Children's Worship

January 27, 2013

2/3 Heather Musser, Anna Souza

P-K Wendy Ward, Meaza Zemech

February 3, 2013

2/3 A. Venkatesan, Aketa Simmons

P-K Misty Marshall, Denise Haukkala

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Classes	9:30 am
Morning Assembly	10:30 am
Evening Assembly	6:00 pm

Tuesday - Ladies Bible Class 10:15 am
(October through April)

Wednesday Bible Classes 7:15 pm

Office Hours 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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Elders

Steve Dasher	Wayne Doran
Bill Kincaid	Jim Lane
Oliver McDaniel	Joseph Tucker

Deacons

Roberto Alvarez	Jose Arevalo
Matt Bensusky	Ben Bohannon
Ignacio Espinoza	Perry May
Joshua McKay	Scott Mills
Saul Reyes	Kevin Thie
John Waterston	Ken Yeatman

Habtu Zemech

Missionaries

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI
Pedro & Mireya Batres - Nicaragua
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez - Nicaragua
Gene & Janice Luna - WBI/Guatemala
Deanna Meredith - Concepcion, Chile
Omar & Tana Palafox - Leon, Mexico
Recardo & Monica Reyes - Cuemavaca, Mex.
Don & Esther Roarabaugh - Torrington, CT

Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*
Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*
Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

Statistics

Sunday, January 20, 2013

Bible Study	218
Morning Assembly	314
Evening Assembly	125
Contribution	\$13,908
YTD Average	\$12,553
Budget Goal	\$12,597

Wednesday, January 23, 2013

Classes & Online 107

Worship Today, January 27, 2013

Hymn #470

Hymn #555

Hymn #155

Prayer

Hymn #96

Hymn #364

Communion/Collection

Hymn #881

Hymn #448

(Children ages 2 through Pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship)

Bible Reading (*Matthew 25:14-30*)

Bible Lesson

Hymn #412

Announcements

Introduction of Visitors

Prayer

Victory in Jesus

Seek Ye First

Highest Place

Kevin Amores

I Stand in Awe

Come, Share the Lord

Hal Swetnam

Mansion over the Hilltop

The Greatest Commands

Joe Bohannon

Bill Kincaid

Jesus, Hold My Hand

Bill Kincaid

Sam Gregory

Sam Gregory



Song Leader

Ushers

Clark Richardson

Kevin Thie, John Waterston

Steve Dasher will bring the messon this evening; Robert Spiess will lead singing; Jeff Malcolm & Caleb Mayfield will lead prayers.

January servers: Mark Dawson, Bill Furr, Calvin Lockhart, John Reagan, Jay Truitt, Ken Yeatman

Wednesday, January 30

Prayer - Brandon Durant

Song Leading - Clark

Richardson