

Family Life

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Tune's Notes

Tonight's assembly is one of four specific gatherings each year we devote to singing. I look forward to every one.

Singing instills within our minds memorable and encouraging thoughts of God that can sustain us even when

scripture and experience themselves fail.

I've probably mentioned this before, but after my father's passing, it occurred to me I was waking up each day with a different hymn on my mind. Time and practice have engraved many hymns in my memory and they are always there for me.

But this was different. It was noticeably different. Every day was a different song and I noticed the song's presence immediately on waking up. It continued that way for about eight months. In moments of trial and joy, hymns reinforce the knowledge of God's presence and love.

My last Sunday in Vietnam we were crowded together like sardines in a gathering that covered the main level of the house and snaked its way up the stairs to the second floor. The young lady beside me sang in English. But what got my attention was this little girl directly in front of me. She held her hymnal, but never looked at it. She sang every song from memory. I thought: "how cool is that!" She is unlikely to ever forget the words to those songs – or their message.

Look forward to our assembly tonight and let's lift up the Lord in praise.

Love you all.
Mike



The purpose of our Youth Ministry is to equip our students to hear God's call to ministry, reach out to unbelieving students and bring them into a community that praises God's Holy name.

To follow up with the Youth Ministry being the high-lighted ministry of the day at the end of February, we have

been exploring the five purposes found in our the purpose statement (See above). They are: Equipping, Ministry, Reaching, Praise, Community. This week we are going to look at the Youth Ministry's Sunday and Wednesday meeting times.

To start with I want you think of our Youth Ministry as a pyramid. At the bottom is a wide foundation. This foundation supports the rest of the structure and without it the entire pyramid would collapse. You can't have the very narrow top of a pyramid without the wide foundation. Our weekly meetings act as that wide foundation. They are the most important programmed part of our Youth Ministry.

We use our Sunday morning meeting as a more traditional Bible Class time. We use a combination of self written curriculum and the Live Curriculum from Youth Specialties during this class. This is the best attended class and a time we focus on fulfilling the purpose of discipleship.

On Sunday nights we have Sunday Night Live for the 7th - 12th grade and Kids for Christ for the 3rd - 6th grade. During Sunday Night Live we do a number of things. We spend some time fellowshiping together. Then we will have some devotional time and usually a short teaching time. The goal is to use this as a less formal or non-formal teaching environment. There are small groups and lots of discussion

Finally on Wednesdays we spend time getting a deeper understanding. This is the smallest meeting we have and it enables us to spend more time talking about deeper issues.

You may notice that this is a fairly non-traditional Youth Ministry. We do many things on Sundays and Wednesdays that other youth ministries might do on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday. Most of our community and fellowship building is done during our regular meetings.

This is a brief - less than 300 word - overview. If you would like more info, a handout is available.

Ministry Leaders Meeting Set for Today at 4:30 pm



The **Elders, Deacons and all Ministry Leaders** will meet today, March 30, at 4:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

This is an opportunity for each ministry leader to share information about their plans and ongoing activities. All deacons and ministry leaders are urged to attend. Each is requested to have a brief (approximately 5 minute) presentation about the activities and goals for that ministry.

Agape Group 3, Westfield Woods, Plans Luncheon Today

Agape Group 3 - Westfield Woods - will host a potluck luncheon today, after the morning assembly.

Members are requested to bring a main dish plus a vegetable, a salad or a dessert.

Leaders for Group 3 are **Ann Ford, Martha Ashley & Amanda & Beni Venkatesan.**

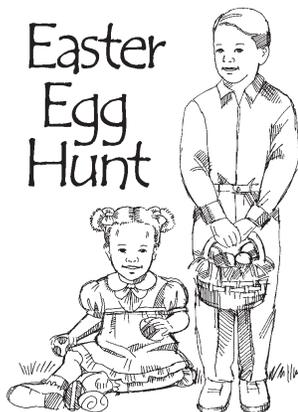


An Easter Egg Hunt

is scheduled for Sunday, April 13, from 4:30 to 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Brandon Durant is the contact for this event.

Further details - such as the specific things that each family should bring - will be forthcoming.



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.

Healthy Snack Collection for Bailey's Elementary School Starts Today

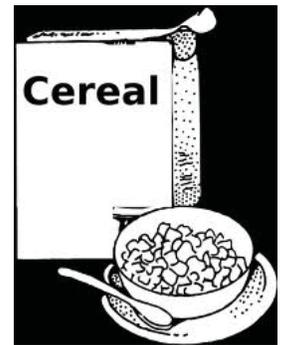
Our annual **Healthy Snack Collection** for children who attend Bailey's Elementary School for the Arts & Sciences, will begin on **Sunday, March 30** and end on **Sunday, April 27**. The snacks collected will be delivered to the school during the week of April 28.

According to the school's website, the elementary magnet school has over 1,200 students representing 40+ countries of origin and 30+ languages spoken at home. For the 2012-13 school year, over 800 students (65%+) of students qualified for the free or reduced lunch program. Often those families struggle to provide nutritious meals at home and sometimes must choose between paying rent or buying food.

The healthy snacks not only help children develop a taste for healthy food, rather than for junk food, but also help supplement the food and nutrition students receive on school days. The school uses the collected snacks to provide dry, in-school snacks for hungry children, either between breakfast and lunch or before they return home.

Below is a list of recommended snacks that are easy for children to pick up with their fingers, are low in sugar but high in fiber, are **PEANUT-FREE**, and are enriched with vitamins and minerals. The children **DO NOT** use milk with cereal.

Kellogg's:	Crispix or Wheaties
General Mills:	Fiber One, Cheerios, Rice Chex, Wheat Chex, Corn Chex, Multi Grain Cheerios, Total, Kix or Life
Kashi:	GoLean
Quaker:	Oatmeal Squares
Post:	Shredded wheat



Congregational Prayer Request for the week of March 30:

Pray for the success of our missionaries in Torrington, CT. Falls Church has supported this effort since 2002 when Steve and Maryann Bastin began the congregation, and has continued support since 2009 with the work of Don & Esther Roarabaugh.

Wedding Shower



“Senior Saints” Workday Announced for April 12

A “**Work Day**” is planned for April 12 to assist some of the **Senior Saints** of this congregation with a variety of household chores.

This is **NOT** a workday by our Senior Saints, but rather will involve work to be done **FOR** them by the Men’s Ministry.

Some **possible** suggestions for work that they might perform for you - *a Senior Saint* - are:

- ◆ Yard clean-up in time for spring planting
- ◆ Preparing flower beds for planting
- ◆ Cleaning the garage
- ◆ Washing the car
- ◆ Doing some minor repair work - remember, they

aren’t necessarily licensed electricians/plumbers/etc.

Talk to **Jonah Shumate**, the point of contact for this event.



More Details Now Revealed for the Ladies Lock-In April 25-26

Now it can be told!!!!

Reads like the marquee for an old (1960’s) movie, doesn’t it?

But it’s not - it’s just the location for the **Ladies Lock-In** scheduled for Friday night to Saturday morning April 25-26.

Yes! You no longer have to stake out the softest couch to rest your weary bones overnight. How great is that??

And - we have a theme - “Titus 2:3-5” - and no, that has nothing to do with **Monica Tune’s** new grandson. It is the scripture that admonishes older women (those who know what a theater marquee is) and younger women. It is as follows:

3 Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good. 4 Then they can urge the younger women to love their husbands and children, 5 to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God. NIV



The festivities will commence at 6:30 pm Friday night with a catered dinner! The Saturday morning session will begin at 8:45 am with breakfast.

IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT THE SIGN UP SHEET! Since the Friday night food has to be ordered in advance, there will be a Lock-In sign up sheet, and you **MUST** add your name by April 23. You can do this - really!

You now know a LOT about the event, but there is still an element of mystery - since you won’t know the guest speakers until they start talking. **HINT:** They are our Falls Church sisters, and they are sworn to secrecy, so don’t even think of asking those you think are likely candidates.

There will be three presentations, one Friday evening, and two Saturday morning, beginning at 9:45 am.

The program will conclude around noon, so there will **NOT** be a luncheon.

As usual, following the program on Friday will be a time for visiting/fellowship (sistership maybe??), etc. So bring your comfortable pjs and house slippers.

We **ALL** are blessed by having many dear friends - and we **NEVER** have enough time to catch up. But this gives us the opportunity to kick back, relax and put a dent in the conversational backlog!

April 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 1 Kings 8-9 <i>Ladies Bible Class @10:15 am</i>	2 1 Kings 10-12	3 1 Kings 13-15	4 1 Kings 16-18	5 1 Kings 19-22 <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
6 2 Kings 1-4 <i>Wedding Shower For Anna Parks & Corey Bean, 4:30 pm, R. 121</i>	7 2 Kings 5-7	8 2 Kings 8-10 <i>Ladies Bible Class @10:15 am</i>	9 2 Kings 11-13	10 2 Kings 14-16	11 2 Kings 17-19	12 2 Kings 20-23 <i>"Senior Saints" Workday, 8:30 am</i> <i>Family Movie Night, Frozen, 5:30-8 pm</i> <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm,</i>
13 2 Kings 24-25 1 Chronicles 1-2 <i>Easter Egg Hunt, 4:30 pm, FH</i> <i>2nd Sunday "Finger Food" Fellowship After pm service</i>	14 1 Chron. 3-5 <i>Spring Break</i>	15 1 Chron. 6-8 <i>For Fairfax</i> <i>NO Ladies Bible Class due to Spring Break</i>	16 1 Chron. 9-11 <i>County Public</i>	17 1 Chron. 12-14 <i>Schools</i>	18 1 Chron. 15-17 <i>Lads to Leaders</i>	19 1 Chron. 18-21 <i>Mendez-Euceda Wedding, 1 pm</i> <i>Trip to Nashville</i> <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
20 1 Chron. 22-25 <i>Easter Sunday</i>  <i>L to L return</i>	21 1 Chron. 26-28	22 1 Chron. 29 2 Chron. 1-2 <i>Ladies Bible Class @10:15 am</i>	23 2 Chron. 3-5	24 2 Chron. 6-8	25 2 Chron. 9-11 <i>Ladies Lock-in @ Ann Ford home, 6 pm Friday to</i>	26 2 Chron. 12-15 <i>Noon Saturday</i> <i>Spanish Worship & Potluck Fellowship 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
27 2 Chron. 16-19	28 2 Chron. 20-22	29 2 Chron. 23-25 <i>Ladies Bible Class @10:15 am</i>	30 2 Chron. 26-28			

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, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 & 221. Children are dismissed following communion.

Recordings:

Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our website after about four days.

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

March 30, 2014

Morning

Billie Bohannon
Janice McDaniel

Evening

Leah Durant (& Philip)

April 6, 2014

Morning

Jackie Arevalo
Kim Mills

Evening

Levenie Hughes

Children's Worship

March 30, 2014

2/3 Allison McKay, Joy Hayes
P-K Jessi Arevalo, Carol Alvarez

April 6, 2014

2/3 Gayla Keller, Dana Hatcher
P-K Wendy Ward, Meaza Zemech

Worship Today, March 30, 2014

Hymn #266

Majesty

Hymn #226

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Prayer

Jonah Shumate

Hymn #907

Hark the Gentle Voice

Hymn #903

There Is Power in the Blood

Communion/Collection

Jim Lane

Hymn #353

One Day!

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

Bible Reading (*Ephesians 3:1-13*)

Geosh Saxton

Bible Lesson

Mike Tune

Hymn #628

Will You Not Tell It Today?

Announcements

Oliver McDaniel

Introduction of Visitors

Grant Smith

Closing Prayer

Matt Bensky

Song Leader

John Waterston

Ushers

Brandon Durant, Ken Yeatman



There will be a 5th Sunday Night Singing this evening;
Andrew McDaniel & Daniel Williams will lead the prayers.

March servers are: Gary Allmond, Jeff Malcolm, Dave Miller,
Mark Shannon, Mark Ward, Bobby Wilkinson

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

7:15 pm

Office Hours

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Contact Information

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Elders

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

Deacons

Roberto Alvarez Jose Arevalo
Ben Bohannon Brian Collins
Brandon Durant Ignacio Espinoza
Perry May Joshua McKay
Scott Mills John Reagan
Saul Reyes Wilfredo Reyes
Hal Swetnam Jonah Shumate
Kevin Thie John Waterston
Ken Yeatman Habtu Zemech

Missionaries

Kevin & Deanna Amores, Concepción, Chile
Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI
Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez, Nicaragua
Gene & Janice Luna, WBI/Guatemala
Recardo & Monica Reyes, Cuemavaca, MX
Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Torrington, CT
Mike Tune, Amazing Grace International
Jay & Piera Young, Italy & Ukraine
Habtu Zemech, My Neighbors, Ethiopia

Staff

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

Statistics

Sunday, March 23, 2014

Bible Study 200
Morning Assembly 390
Evening Assembly 129
Contribution \$13,804
YTD Average \$12,423
Budget Goal \$12,709

Wednesday, March 26, 2014

Classes & Online 80

Wednesday, April 2, 2014

Prayer - Habtu Zemech

Song Leader - Clark Richardson