

February  
2012

Faith Baptist Fellowship

# Focus on Faith

It's Time for **Sacred 7** Once Again

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On Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> we will again distribute our **Sacred 7** brochure. We will NOT simply collect them on the spot as we have other years, but rather give you several weeks to pray and ponder and then return the extra copy as you discern whom to put on your list. It's very simple:

*Write down the names of 7 people in the sphere of your life who don't know Christ as Lord and Savior. Pray daily that by God's grace they would be saved. As you pray, consider ways to also reach into their lives with encouragement, friendship, care and kindness. And be ready! When God opens the door, be prepared to share the gospel with your friends. Point them to Jesus! He is the way, the truth, and the life.*

The brochure actually has two lists: one for you to keep in a safe and prominent place, so that you can pray daily and not forget. The other, a copy, you will turn in so that we can pray over a master list of names. This list is not made public; confidentiality is not compromised. But we will pray over the list collectively and say, "Lord, our heart's desire and prayer is that each person on this list will hear the good news of the gospel, repent of their sins, and trust Jesus Christ alone for salvation."

### **Prayer – Care – Share**

As you pray, ask God for wisdom to discern how best to reach out to these friends. "What else should I do, Lord?" Maybe you could...

Change their oil	shovel their snow (what snow?)	bake brownies
Enjoy a concert together	write them a letter	babysit their kids
Buy them a Bible	go out for coffee	paint their deck
Listen	invite to church	lend them a book
Burn them your favorite CD	celebrate their birthday	tell them your story

God will guide you when you ask Him for help. God will open a door for you.

II Thessalonians 3:1,

*Pastor Dana*

# Student Ministries

## HS Students "Dare 2 Share"

High school students will attend the "Dare 2 Share" evangelism training conference on February 24–26, held in Minneapolis MN. Through talks, dramas, and testimonies, students will learn how to share their faith in practical ways.

### Summer Camp Dates:

Middle School Camp at Swan Lake  
June 3-8

High School Camp Judson  
June 17-23



### Planning ahead:

March 7th:

Connect Service

March 9-10th:

"Operation 28" Outreach  
Training Weekend

March 11th:

Daylight Savings Time

March 25th:

Variety Show

### Belize Update:

- 19 students have been interviewed and will begin training soon.
- There are several ways you can support the team:
  - 1.) Purchase HyVee and Bracco/ Spezia cards between now and July from the Promotions Center or office.
  - 2.) Save your used, but useful items to donate for the rummage sale in April.
  - 3.) Purchase Valentine's baked goods on Sunday, February 12th.
  - 4.) Bring your child to the church between 5:30 and 7:30 PM on February 14th, and take your spouse on a date.  
Free-will offering



### February 1

- MS/HS Connect Service, @ The Ministry Center, 6:30-9PM (load bus @ Faith)

### February 7

- S.M.D.T., 6:30PM

### February 8

- Belize Parents' Meeting, 6 PM (#225)
- MS "Close Encounters", 6:30-8 PM (Loft)
- HS Faith Groups, 6:30-8PM

### February 10-12

- MS District Winter Retreat @ Swan Lake Camp. 6:30PM Friday—2PM Sunday

### February 12

- Valentine's Bake Sale
- \$50 due for Dare 2 Share

### February 14

- Valentine's Day
- Parents' Night Out

### February 15

- No Regular Ministries

### February 16

- HS All-Nighter @ the Elmen Center, 10PM-6AM; cost \$12 (Meet there)

### February 19

- MS/HS UGM Chapel Service, 7-9PM

### February 22 & 29

- MS "Close Encounters", 6:30-8 PM (Loft)
- HS Faith Groups, 6:30-8PM

### February 24-26

- HS Dare 2 Share Conference, cost \$50, 2PM Friday—4PM Sunday

# Coming Events

## GUEST LUNCHEON

### Sunday, February 12th

All new attendees are cordially invited to be our guests following the second service (about 12:15 PM) in the Fellowship Hall, on Sunday, January 8th. R.S.V.P. to the church office, 331-3800, for the lunch. We look forward to getting to know you better! Can't make it this time? The next Guest Luncheon will be March 11th.

## SINGSPARATION,

### Sunday, February 12th

Join us at 6:30 PM for a time of worship through congregational singing of traditional hymns, gospel songs and Sunday school songs. Invite your friends, neighbors and family to attend this fun night of worship. A free will offering will be received. Please bring cookies or bars for the fellowship time.



## PrimeTime Valentine Party

PrimeTime (ages 55 and up) will meet on Tuesday, February 21st at 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Hallelujah Hooligans, from Baltic, will be making a joyful noise! R.S.V.P. to Julie, 334-5303, for the catered meal; cost is \$8.50.

## PARENT/CHILD DEDICATION

### Sunday, February 26th

For those wishing to participate in dedicating their child and themselves to the Lord, please contact the church office, 331-3800.

## Prayer First Gathering

The 2012 Prayer First Gathering is March 5-7. Each year Faith Baptist hosts pastors for a time devoted solely to prayer and encouraging each other. **If you would be able to provide overnight lodging for a pastor or two, please contact the church office, 331-3800. We provide all the meals.**



## Faith University Class Offerings

February 5—March 25, 2012

### Faith Steps Class

**Led by Mark Hecht/Leigh Tange, Room 224**

Faith Steps is designed for those who are new attendees at Faith Baptist Fellowship and/or for those who have been worshipping with us for some time but have yet to be joined to our congregation in church membership. The aim of the Faith Steps class is to get well-acquainted with one another so that 1) those who are exploring whether or not to get attached to this congregation can make an informed decision, and 2) the leaders of Faith Baptist Fellowship can know how best to serve those who wish to get attached to this church.

### The Heart of the Gospel

**Led by Tony Brynjulson, Fellowship Hall**

Do you have trouble speaking plainly about God's redemptive plan? Or maybe God's word has become academic to you. Come join us as we search out "The Heart of the Gospel". We will refresh and clarify our understanding of the gospel and give God an opportunity to open our hearts to see deeper into His. "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation for everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." – Romans 1:16

### Battling Unbelief (For Men Only)

**Led by Robert Sneller, Room 209**

No one sins out of duty. We sin because it offers some promise of happiness. That promise enslaves us until we believe that God is more desirable than life itself (Ps 63:3). Only the power of God's superior promises in the Gospel can free us from servitude to the shallow promises and fleeting pleasures of sin. In this DVD series featuring John Piper you will find practical ways to sever the clinging roots of sin that ensnare us, including anxiety, pride, shame, impatience, covetousness, bitterness, despondency and lust. You will be significantly challenged to think and interact with God's Word. There will also be opportunity for group discussion as we reflect on God's glorious Gospel promises that free us from these sins.

### Battling Unbelief (For Women Only)

**Led by Mary Berger, Room 225**

See above description. You will have the same opportunity to learn from John Piper's insights and reflect together on the same glorious Gospel promises.

### The NEXT (Young Adults)

**Led by Caleb Dirnberger, Room 223**

The NEXT has begun a new in-depth study on very practical steps about reading the world of God, base on a book by J. Scott Duvall and J. Daniel Hays entitled "Grasping God's Word". Join us for this hands-on approach to reading, interpreting and applying the Bible.

Trinity Communications Presents

**HERE WE ARE AGAIN** *Live*

An Evening with

**Ernie Haase & Signature Sound**



Saturday, March 17, 2012 6:00 pm  
O'Gorman High School  
3201 South Kiwanis Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57105

**Ticket Info — General Seating:**  
\$18.00 Groups (10+), \$20.00 Advance (\$25 at door), \$25.00 Artist Circle (up front closer section to stage) Children 12 & under are free (except in Artist Circle Section)

**Tickets on sale NOW!**  
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Converge Heartland Women's Retreat

*Come and Follow...*

April 13-14, 2012



**Dee Sheveland**  
Guest Speaker

Want to draw closer to Jesus?  
Join us as Dee takes us on a journey of contemplation, reflection and prayer in this peaceful, serene setting at the beautiful LIED LODGE in Nebraska City NE.



**Important Note:**  
Registrations need to be received by Center Baptist on or before 3/9/12 in order to secure your room at the Lodge. You will not want to be anywhere else!

## KINGDOM OPPORTUNITIES

The Furniture Mission is an organization whose purpose is to share the love of Christ through the distribution of furniture to those in need. They pick up and deliver beds and other furniture and clean and repair them. They also build tables and bunkie beds in their carpenter shop if funds are available. This month the KO team would like to collect bedding for the FM. Their greatest needs are for full and queen size beds and bedding. You make drop off bedding donations in the containers by the Promotion Center, drop off beds and other furniture at the FM or call them at 977-6800 if you have furniture that you would like them to pick up.

Mark your calendars for March 19<sup>th</sup>, our date to serve dinner at The Banquet. We will need persons to prepare the meal in the afternoon and then servers in the early evening. The Banquet provides a safe place where people can gather, receive nourishment and experience love in action. This is one way to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

The Yuma Missions team (Bob and Janelle Sneller, Doug Smith, Aaron Quinn and JoAnne Tolliver) left February 1<sup>st</sup>. Please pray for health and safety, clarity and boldness in sharing the Gospel and God be glorified in all we say and do. Please pray also that God would provide for the bedding needs (approximately \$800) for Luis' and Claudia's family and others.

If you have questions please contact one of the KO team members:

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Blood Mobile - Thanks to those who donated units of blood on Sunday, January 29th. We gave 27 units which will have life-saving benefits for 81 patients.

# **RUNNING**