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Summer Adventure of Faith Salt & Light

On June 5th we will begin an exciting summer trek together. We'll combine elements of our disciple-making process for a seamless, summer-long interaction with the heart of Acts. Daily readings in chapters 8—15, combined with Faith Group action, a combined adult Faith U. interaction, and messages during worship will make for **maximum life impact!**

During my time with Prayer First at Converge/BGC, I worked on both **Fire & Reign** (Acts 1-7, previously done at Faith) and **Salt & Light** (Acts 8-15). Truthfully I can say that there is dynamite in these **Salt & Light** passages of Scripture, and that this adventure will be well worth your personal worship time, Faith Group action, and attendance at Faith U. and summer worship. When you receive your **Salt & Light workbook** during Faith U. on June 5th, you will also receive a free prayer and fasting guide which I wrote for the adventure.

Wouldn't it be great if God moved powerfully among us by His Spirit this summer? Rather than being a break from God, let's make this summer an adventure of Faith in God! Today in staff meeting I read Acts 9:31, which says "the church...had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, **it multiplied.**" The church multiplied! Wouldn't that be a great thing to say at the end of this summer? Faith multiplied! To that end, let's fear the Lord and live in the comfort and power of the Holy Spirit. Let's live out the faith adventure described in Acts 8—15. Let's be **Salt & Light.**

By Faith and With Love,

Pastor Dana



Father's Day

Sunday,
June 19th

Student Ministries

New 6th Graders Pizza Fellowship Night

All in-coming 6th graders, and their parents, are invited to our annual Pizza Fellowship Night on Wednesday, June 1st at 6 PM in 'The Loft'. Come for an orientation of our Faith Weavers Student Ministries program. This is a great first-chance to meet some other middle school students and leaders, play games and enjoy pizza and pop together. You will also receive a special gift from Pastor Dave Moe. See you then!

Camp Season is Here

Over 60 students (MS/HS) and adult staff from Faith Baptist Fellowship will be attending Camp Judson on June 19-25 and Timberlake Camp in Nebraska, July 24-29. We trust that the Lord will do a great work in all those that attend these camps; please keep all of us in your prayers.

Summer Missions Kick-Off

Three mission teams are preparing to go out and help fulfill The Great Commission this summer. The first team of 10 leaves for Montana on Sunday, June 5th and will return Saturday, June 11th. This team will participate in kid's clubs, service projects and sharing the Gospel with those on the Crow Reservation. The other two teams will be going to Grand Island in July (10-17) and downtown Sioux Falls in August (10-13).

Summer Sunday School!

Starting June 5th students that have completed 5th grade will meet with the MS Sunday School class and those that have completed 8th grade will attend the HS Sunday School class. Both groups will be doing a discipleship study called, "Ground Your Faith" which include lessons on the existence of God, the deity of Christ, salvation, prayer, the resurrection and walking by faith.



June 1

- New 6th Graders' Pizza Night in 'The Loft', 6 PM. Parents invited.

June 2

- Montana Team Training, 6:30PM

June 5-11

- Montana Mission Trip

June 18

- Staff to Camp Judson

June 19

- Father's Day

June 19-25

- HS Camp Judson



Upcoming Events:

July 3: Camp Sunday

July 10-17: Grand Island Mission Trip

July 13: "Hot Summer Nights" (downtown outreach)

July 14-15: MS Camp-out

July 17: UGM Chapel Service

July 18-22: VBS

July 20: MS/HS Wild Water West Day

July 24-29: MS Camp at Timberlake NE

CAMP SUNDAY, July 3rd

Mark your calendar for July 3rd! On this Sunday, students that attended Camp Judson will share their experiences, along with camp songs, videos and the message by Pastor Dave Moe. We are planning a cook-out after the second service, complete with hotdogs and hamburgers. Plan on dressing casual (shorts and t-shirts).

NOTE:

The Lord's Supper will be observed on July 10th rather than July 3rd.

TORNADO RELIEF

Starting June 12th, the SHARE team is encouraging our congregation to help support the USA Tornado Relief through Converge Worldwide. Go to www.convergeworldwide.org/give/10538 to give online. You may also designate your giving to this relief effort on Sunday morning by noting on your envelope "USA Tornado Relief." (The regular SHARE fund offering will be taken on Sunday, June 5th.)

SHARE MINISTRY UPDATE



Jesus declared, "I am the Bread of Life..."

John 6:35

Where does your SHARE dollar go?

70% goes to Faith's Weekly SHARE Fund

to assist those from within our church or from our local community who apply for assistance & meet with the SHARE Team

20% goes to Faith's Catastrophic Fund,

which accumulates to be used when someone within our church body suffers great need due to a catastrophic event

(Examples: house fire, severe prolonged illness)

10% goes to National & District Converge Benevolence Funds,

primarily used to assist pastors or pastor's widows

Thank You for your generous May donations.

May you be blessed for sharing your blessings.

SINGSPARATION, Sunday, June 12th



Join us at 6:30 PM, at Faith Baptist Fellowship, 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.

Prime Time

The PrimeTime group will host the Central Baptist Seniors on Tuesday, June 21st at 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall. A musical program will be presented by the Celebration Band with Doug & Mary Modica. A catered meal (\$7) will be served; reservations are necessary, call by Friday, June 17th, to Julie Hegstrum, 334-5303.

Faith University Summer Classes

Faith Steps Class

Teacher: Pastor Greg Dirnberger

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.

Salt & Light

Acts chapters 8-15 describe how the Lord led his people to step out of safe and familiar places to bring his love and truth into other people's worlds. The early church – persecuted and scattered from Jerusalem throughout the Roman Empire – brought the good news of Christ's power and presence with them. They became the "salt & light" Jesus talked about in his Sermon on the Mount:

"You are the salt of the earth"
"You are the light of the world"

This study of Acts 8-15 will help us obey Jesus' call to display his love and truth in every setting we enter. We'll learn important spiritual lessons from the experience of the early church: sharing Christ's heart for the world, seizing our "Antioch moment", joining his spiritual battle, setting our sails into the wind of the Spirit, opening doors of faith.

Young Adult/College Group

Facilitator: Caleb Dirnberger

This group is open to college/young adults who want to join together for fellowship, interactive Bible study and prayer time. Currently the group is studying the New Testament book of Hebrews.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!

July 18th–22nd

THE EGYPT FILE:

Decoding the Mystery of Life

THE EGYPT FILE, from Answers in Genesis, is an evangelistic, joy-filled journey that uses apologetics to teach about the mystery and value of life. It is action packed, fun, but most importantly teaches kids that the Bible really is true and trustworthy. Join us July 18th-22nd, from 9AM-Noon.

Get in on the Secret!

What do you think of when you think of July?
Shining sun, hot days, and Vacation Bible School!!



The Egypt File: July 18-22

9 am – 12 pm

VBS will be here before you know it. And we are looking for some talented people to assist in the following areas to make this year's VBS the best ever!

- Registration
- Decorating
- Snack Oasis Crew
- Nursery
- Adventure Team Leaders
 - Ages 2-4 (for workers children only), Kindergarten through 5th Grade
- Dig Site Teaching Time
- Drama Team
- Craft Market
- Music Leaders
- Sound Tech
- Publicity Team
- Prayer Time

If you are interested in one of these positions, please call the church office, 331-3800.

Dave Ramsey's

Financial Peace
UNIVERSITY

Financial Peace University is a biblically-based, video-driven small group study that teaches families to beat debt, build wealth and give like never before!

THIS PROGRAM IS FOR YOU IF ...

- Your credit cards ARE your emergency fund.
- Your dog responds to the name "Ebay".
- You're intrigued by the word "plasectomy."
- You want to know what God says about money.
- You have to sell your house to put your kids through college.
- Stocks, Bonds, and Mutual Funds are friends you haven't met yet.



Come check out Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University class. Visit the first class, **June 14, 6:30-8:30 PM, for no charge**, and pay \$82.92 (special price for this series only) per couple if you decide to stay for this 13-week, life-changing class. The average family pays off in debt or puts \$8000 into savings during the 13 weeks. They just plain "grow up" financially. This series will be led by Roger and Joyce Swanson, who candidly share their own financial struggles and eventual success that led them to bring these classes to SD in 2002.

Call Joyce Swanson at 605-359-0191
for more information and to register for this class.

Faith Groups Update:

As we enter the summer season, we continue to rejoice and give thanks to God for the ways He is working in and through our Faith Groups. We currently have over 200 people involved in our 22 Faith Groups. This is an exciting start to our recently launched Faith Group ministry. Yet, as we prayerfully consider the purpose of our Faith Groups – "Faith Groups exist to connect people relationally for the purpose of growing in Christ-likeness, loving one another, and contributing to the work of the church", we are boldly asking God to grow this ministry area to at least 300 people by year end.

With this in mind, we encourage you to prayerfully consider becoming a Faith Group leader or joining a Faith Group. We are asking God to provide leaders to launch additional Faith Groups this fall. Please contact any of our Faith Group leadership team members (Rudy Carey, Mark Hecht, Jarrod Heinz, Lee Johnson, Leigh Tange, Jim Valder, Pastor Dave Vilhauer) with any questions. You can also call the church office at 331-3800.

Casas de la Esperanza
(Homes of Hope)

Have you hugged your garden hose lately? This was the response from Blanca when a simple PVC pipe and valve was installed so that she could use a garden hose to do her laundry without having to walk 150 ft to turn the water on and off. Seems pretty basic, right? This is one type of gift that Casa de la Esperanza provides to families. From digging ditches, pouring concrete, building frames and roofing to hosting soccer games, assisting with free food events that involve skits, music and preaching or even cutting hair – families who have not been able to provide for themselves are ministered to and shown the love of God.

Curt Van Ekeren, a former member of Faith Baptist, is a missionary through Calvary Temple of Christ in Yuma, AZ. Curt serves the Lord and the people in San Luis Rio Colorado as the Project Coordinator for mission Casas de la Esperanza (Homes of Hope). We have the opportunity to send a group of adults to Yuma in October, 2012 to work along side Curt and others who, by example and instruction, share the gospel message, baptize believers, make disciples and teach them to obey what the Lord Jesus has commanded.

Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, June 5th from 7 – 8 AM , as Curt shares about his ministry as well as details concerning the project(s) that our group could be helping with in October. Is the Lord calling YOU to be a part of this ministry?

Curt's mom is hosting a small get together at Misty Glen Park (6301 Misty Glen Pl, Sioux Falls) the afternoon of June 5th at 2 PM. If you would like to attend, please RSVP @ 605-362-4210.

Upcoming Kingdom Opportunities

June 19 & September 18 Union Gospel Mission – VOLUNTEER GROUPS STILL NEEDED

June 12 - July 31 Supply Our Students

June 26 Center of Hope Dinner

July 10 – 17 Grand Island NE Missions Trip

Oct 7 – 17 Yuma AZ Missions Trip

Construction trip for Steiger International, Krogis Germany – Date to Determined

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