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“Jesus on The Main Line”

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What's Right Now on RightNow Media

With the addition of RightNow Media, We have an abundance of resources to help us in our spiritual development. Below are some of my recommendations to check out. If you still have not signed up for RightNow Media, or can't find your invitation e-mail. Feel Free to contact me so I can get you signed up.

1. **Unstuck**

Unstuck focuses on the mundane of life. It asks the question, “Do you feel like your life is going nowhere? Do you feel Stuck? Through powerful teachings from Mark Batterson, Francis Chan, Lisa Harper, etc., and through testimonies it will give you insight and strength to get out of the rut you are in.

2. **Work as Worship**

Work as Worship focuses on how you can make your work worshipful to God. J.D. Greer does an excellent job and painting a picture as to why our work is important in building the kingdom of god. The testimonies range from your big corporations, to your small town shops giving you a fire to bring Jesus into the Workplace.

3. **What's So Amazing about Grace**

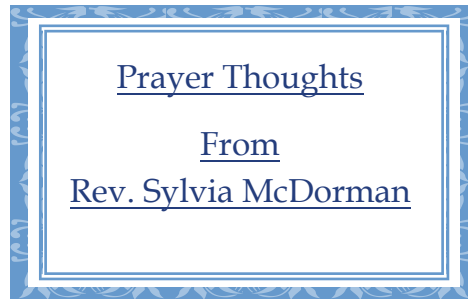
I read this book way before I watched the video. Philip Yancey is an amazing teacher and to see the stories he write about come to life is absolutely incredible. What does grace look like, and why is it so amazing? When you watch this series, you will get a great idea about what grace is all about.

4. **His Needs Her Needs**

When I do Pre Marriage counseling, this is the main source I use. It focuses on the 10 basic emotional needs that men and women have. By learning what your and your spouse's emotional needs are, it can help strengthen your marriage. The Video is Dr. Harley with a handful of couples so you get to hear their questions and interact with them, instead of just having someone talk to you the entire time.

5. **One Way Love**

One Way Love focuses on how we don't have to do anything to receive God's Love. He gives it freely and unconditional. Through this series you hear real people's stories on how God's one way love transformed their lives.



Everyone knows the classic psychology question of “is the glass half full or half empty?” It has been used to determine if we are an optimist or a pessimist. Sometimes people will say that someone has it in fifth gear, or they need to refuel or they are running on empty. We have all been there, said and done that!

How are we running? Do we have a good reserve tank? Don’t we all like the overflow of goodness rather than running low or living in a deficit of spirituality? Spirituality, the inner soul and attitude of a Christian life; that is the subject. Psalm 23:5 talks about our cup running over! It reminds us that God has an abundance for us, that he can supply our needs fully and beyond, to overflow.

We all need the daily refill, recharge from the Lord so that we run equipped to run the race for the Lord. Paul prayed a beautiful prayer for the people of Ephesus. It is just as meaningful today for us. Open up the Bible and pray Ephesians 3:14-21, make it personal, pray it for others. We all need it, our church needs it, the lost need to know it. Let’s run on full to overflow so others can see Christ in us!!

“.....that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God”. Ephesians 3:19b (NJV 1984)



A Note from the Elder Board



The Elder Board,
Jamie Hendricks, Chair
Debbie Brown, Secretary
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Nathan Simmons
Bernie Wolcott



...Her Special
Missions
Rev. Debbie Brown



Operation Christmas Child



By HikingArtist

Christmas Gifts
should be filled with
love,
not expectations.

Don't forget to fill your
Shoe Boxes !!!!



HAVE A HEART

There are still many struggling to put food on the table for their families. The Food Bank has a great need for all items.

So, let's have a heart and fill the Food Barrel in the narthex.

Don't forget to have a heart !

Living Link Missionaries
David and Barbara Miller
Cochabamba, Bolivia

We have supported David and Barbara Miller as our Living Link Missionaries for many years. They have four grown children and two grandchildren all living in the United States.

David and Barbara make their home in Bolivia but are not home very often. Being regional coordinators for Central/South America and the Caribbean keeps them traveling.

From Dave and Barbara, “Greetings from Bolivia to all at First Church of God. We thank God for the love you are shedding abroad in Staunton and beyond. (Romans 5:5)

Highlights from some their most recent work:

Central America: We were blessed to visit four countries in Central America the last half of February to facilitate consultations related to church planting. We were encouraged by all that God is doing in Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador, and Guatemala .

Church Planting: A missionary colleague from Spain, Ron Anderson, has asked us to coordinate the Lausanne Movement’s Church planting issue group in Latin America. This involves challenge and change. Our eyes were opened and our vision expanded through the testimonies of our Latin American brothers and sisters.

Violence is a serious plague in many of these countries. One group of Guatemalans offered an effective solution. “In the year 2020, we want to celebrate a significant reduction in violence in our country as a result of planting united Christ-centered churches which fulfill God’s mission,” they stated at the conclusion of the consultation.

Passing the baton to the next generation of Christian workers is another important challenge facing Central American churches. Networking with each other and offering leadership courses like the Global LEAD program are key elements to plant and grow healthy churches.

Barbara has also been teaching a workshop on developing people skills as a part of the leadership formation training. Please join Dave and Barbara in praying for this region of the world.

Praise: For young leaders stepping up to initiate Bible study groups and outreach to married couples. The Bolivian government has eased restrictions on church registration, a victory for religious liberty.

Faithfulness: Thanks to all our faithful supporting churches over the past decade, we have saved enough to acquire a new vehicle. We plan to use this 4-wheel drive pickup on preaching/teaching trips in Bolivia and for longer road trips through South America – maybe even beyond.

Prayer: Continue to keep Dave and Barbara Miller in your prayers as they continue to serve God and live out the Great Commission. And for the nearly 300 new believers baptized on Easter Sunday at the Bolivian national camp meeting, that they will faithfully follow Jesus.



Nice Foundation

Highland, Illinois

Although Bob and I have not been able to travel to Nicaragua in the last couple of years we continue to support Bill and Shirley Beltz in supporting many programs in Nicaragua. Our hearts await the day when we can once again travel to Nicaragua and share God's love to those seeking Him and in support to our Christian brothers and sisters in this beautiful country.

Nicaragua remains to be the poorest country in Central America. Haiti held that rank with Nicaragua being second until they had the devastating earthquake a few years ago. This event brought considerable amount of foreign aid to Haiti enabling it to rise out of the number one position.

Some highlights from the last year.

Christian Education

The foundation continues to support 25 Christian schools throughout the country of Nicaragua. 114 teachers from these schools attended a Nice sponsored retreat and workshop to better enable them to work within their school and with others schools in the supported network.

Support of these schools includes student support (school is not free in Nicaragua public or Christian), supplies, salaries for teachers, school expansions or upgrades when needed. In addition there have been mission teams from the U.S. conducting sports camps in which over 185 local kids in Chinandega and Granada enjoyed sports and prayer.

Bible school hosted by mission teams from the U.S. was held at 7 different sites.

Churches

The foundation helped sponsor 2 youth camps for more than 340 teens. Assisted in some construction needs of a parsonage and assisted the Masaya church with more security wall construction.

Empowered additional churches by supplying food and equipment to use in ministry. And sponsored a pastors' retreat and pastors' kids camp.

Christian Ministries

Shipped food and supplies to House of Hope (ministry to prostitutes). Funded a Christian radio program in the Miskito language for indigenous people in the remote jungle area. Continued to expand the layette ministry by equipping more churches and women's ministries with over 4,000 layettes. Our very own Abby McDorman supplies baby clothes to be a part of this ministry.

Feed Nicaragua: Meal Packing

The food packing program continues to supply school children and others with a nutritious dehydrated food source of foods they are accustomed to eating. This ministry has distributed meals to over 100 churches, schools and ministries. The foundation funded and packed a record 858,860 meals at 27 events, using 3,100 volunteers and over 6,200 volunteer hours.

Short Term Volunteers (Nicaragua)

Six short-term mission teams went to Nicaragua last year to build relationships and assist in ministries. 96 team members brought their willing hands, energy and suitcases filled with donated supplies, along with their love for God.

The Nice Foundation is a non-profit organization where 100% of donated money goes into the project specified. All of the foundation expenses as well as founders Bill & Shirley Belts (Church of God people) are funded by other sources.

The Faith Builders Sunday School is currently supporting a child in school.

If you have an interest in sponsoring a child in one of the Christian schools or helping to support the Feed Nicaragua Program or some other aspect of this ministry please come talk to Bob or Debbie Brown.

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW



Dates to Remember: For JULY 2015

July 2, 2015

Thursday Night on the Hill

6:00 PM

July 10, 2015

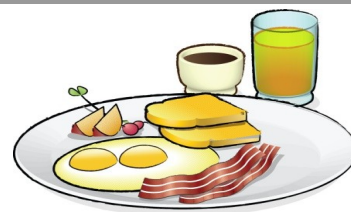
Family Movie Night

6:30 PM

July 11, 2015

Family Prayer Breakfast

8:00 am



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Free Complete Breakfast Vector

July 12-16, 2015

Vacation Bible School

Passport to the Holy Land

6:00 pm—8:00 pm

July 23, 2015

Thursday Night on the Hill

6:00 PM



Love INC

Love In the Name of Christ



The Love Garden is growing and looking healthy... Praise The Lord! We are now in need of tomato plant stakes, about 235 of them! 4ft or 5ft stakes preferred. Could you help? You can drop donations off M/W/F 9a-4p. We could also use straw and a lot of it! We are so appreciative of our generous community. Thank you so much! (And we're always looking for volunteers to help tend the garden!) Our garden will benefit our neighbors in need.



THE CWC Ladies are having a



AND ALL LADIES ARE INVITED!!

When and Where: Tuesday, July 7th at 6:00 pm

at the home of Judy Huffer

Grilled hot dogs and the fixings will be provided. Just bring your favorite side dish or dessert.

We will also have an auction! Bring something wrapped or in a gift bag that will be auctioned! It's fun to bid on these little gifts!



Ladies come on out and spend some time together!!

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Our Vision

*Is to impact our community with the Love of God
and to provide a Spirit-filled harbor for the lost and the hurting.*

WEEKLY SERVICES

SUNDAY

Sunday School 9:45AM

For All Ages

Worship Service

10:45 AM

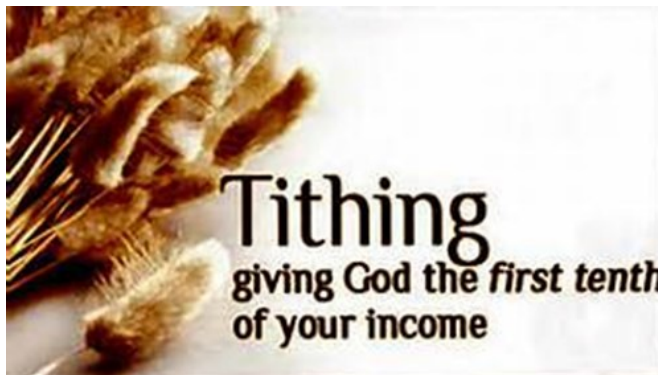
Everyone Welcome

WEDNESDAY

7 PM

Adult Bible Study

Have you remembered to "cross" someone?
Remember the cross cards are available in the narthex.
Take a few cards with you, do little acts of kindness and
give them a cross card.
Be a blessing to others and share the love of Christ!!



"Jesus on the Main Line" Newsletter Published Monthly. To Submit an article or idea
contact: Judy Huffer: jhuffer@staunton.k12.va.us or 540-290-1374
All Articles must be turned by the 20th of each month. Thank you.

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1 Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	2 Thursday on the Hill 6:00 pm	3	4
5 Family Life Center in use	6	7 CWC Meeting 6:00 pm	8 Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	9	10 Family Movie Night 6:30 pm	11 Family Prayer Breakfast 8:00 am Loving Relations Meeting 10:00 am
12 Vacation Bible School	13 Vacation Bible School	14 Vacation Bible School	15 Vacation Bible School Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	16 Vacation Bible School	17	18
19	20	21	22 Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	23 Thursday on the Hill 6:00 pm	24	25
26	27	28	29 Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm	30	31 Crossroads SS Class get-together 6:00 pm	

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Happy Birthday & Anniversary

SUN	MON	THUS	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1	2 Birthdays Gerald Smith Andrew Rauschenberg	3	4
5	6 Birthday Liam Skelton	7	8 Birthday Austin Rauschenberg	9 Birthday Jamie Hendricks	10	11
12 Birthday Debbie Hendricks Theresa Sprouse	13	14 Anniversary Leo & Rachel Cancino Birthday Rebecca Austin	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Birthday Ann Smith	23	24 Anniversary Jacob & Heather Miles Eric/ Kimberley Rauschenberg	25
26	27 Birthday Abby McDorman	28	29 Birthday Doris Pruitt Rose Wagner	30 Birthday Nancy Brown	31	