



## Pastor's Note

"Ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus. I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better." (Ephesians 1:15-16)

I want to thank Randy Seib for bringing God's Word to us this morning! I am in Edmonton this weekend at the annual Breakforth Worship Conference.

Since I've returned to you I've spoken frequently about the importance of **applying ourselves to the Study of God**. He has revealed things about Himself to us so that we might examine them and enjoy them! Along these lines, let me share a couple "clips" with you from two good authors on this subject:

*"The GOD who speaks to us in the Bible is the Lord of Heaven and earth. A true experience of Him will awaken a thirst in us for more and more, making us students of God who long daily to know and encounter Him. A biblically nourished faith will produce a disciplined and faithful Christian. The Christian who is diligent in this respect is seeking to understand more of God and His revelation in Jesus. But let's be honest. There is an inherent laziness in most of us. This will take the biggest toll on our faith. We must be men and women of self-discipline who find time for a real study of God and His Word. We can always find good excuses for putting this off. To turn our full attention to studying God demands a strong self-discipline in us."* (Lesslie Newbigen, *The Good Shepherd*)

*"To become TRANSFORMED by the RENEWING OF YOUR MIND (Rom 12:2) means getting God's Word on the inside to saturate our lives, thoughts, attitudes, emotions, and actions, so that we are conformed from the inside out into the likeness of Jesus Christ."* (Ronald Jensen, *Biblical Meditation*)

*"The aim of all this is that we may grow in wisdom, understanding, and holy discernment, that we may no longer be children tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine, instead remaining faithful to the Lord and His revealed truth."* (Newbigen)

I agree! Spiritual laziness is a deadly disease. I've experienced it myself. Jesus commanded us to "watch" and "pray" in order to overcome sin and live in righteousness. This is not a passive act. In my opinion, there is some very wrong-headed thinking among Christians which believes we must "step aside" (let-go-and-let-God) because any effort on our part to walk in Christ is "sinful". The Bible doesn't teach that! We are to be diligent and disciplined (Jms 1:25) as we seek to walk in His righteousness and be pleasing to the Lord.



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Currently Waiting On God's Direction

## Welcome!

to our Morning of Worship

January 29, 2012

11am Service

PRAISE TEAM

Monica

SERMON

What Do You Do – When You Don't Know What to Do?

II Chronicles 20:1-12

Randy Seib

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**Supervised Nursery for 0 - 2** (11am to end of Service)  
**Children's Church for Age 3 to Grade 1** (Dismissed during the Service)

*Special Thanks to Randy Seib for filling our pulpit this morning  
(Pastor Al is away at Breakforth in Edmonton)*

**Our Mission . . .**

is to be a worshipping community which builds mature disciples who love one another, and who share the good news of Jesus Christ both at home and abroad for the glory of God.

## THIS WEEK:

**Monday 7pm**  
Senior Youth Worship Night

**Tuesday 9:30am**  
Ladies Prayer Time at Alice Berg's, 224-305 Pinehouse Dr.

**Tuesday 6:30-8:30pm**  
Marriage Seminar

**Tuesday 7-8-30pm**  
Club DJ for ALL kids K-Gr 6!



**Wednesday 10am**  
Mom's Group at the church

**Thursday 6pm**  
Jr Youth Soul Food (Cost: \$2)  
**7:30** - Church Cleaning

**Friday & Saturday**  
Promise Keepers Workshops, "Brothers" (Fri) & "Basic Training" (Sat) See bulletin board for info  
**Saturday**  
Mentoring Workshop at MLBC, led by Seth Briggs - see poster.

## NEXT SUNDAY:

**9:45** - Sunday School for All ages  
Adult Class - Rm 1, 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians  
Prayer Class - Fireside rm

**11am** - Worship Service

## COMING UP:

## FEBRUARY...

**10-11.Fri-Sat**  
**MEN'S RETREAT** at Ranger Lake.

Cost: \$55, \$25 for boys 5-12. Please bring a Bible, snack to share, warm winter year, sleeping bag & favorite table



game. See Bob W or Matt T for info and to register. Please reserve a spot by **Feb. 5!**

## MEN'S RETREAT



### 11. Saturday

Kids Workshop at CDA. See Kim for more info.



### 12. Sunday

Potluck Sunday - All Welcome! Please bring a casserole to share, PLUS, according to your last name, a salad (A-N) or Dessert (O-Z). C & C/Singles - please bring 1 Dz buns (no casserole). ALL those with last names L-R are responsible for Set up & Clean-up.

### TO FOLLOW POTLUCK...

Senior Youth **Dessert & Pie Auction!**



### 24-25. Friday-Sat



Visit [www.mfest.ab.ca](http://www.mfest.ab.ca) for info.

## NEWS & NOTES:

### Greenhouse Ministry:

Due to a combination of low attendance and lack of volunteers, this ministry will no longer be offered. Children up to 2 years are welcome in the Nursery and Children's Church will be available most Sundays to those 3 years to Grade 1. A HUGE THANK YOU to RACHEL WONG for her years of service in the Greenhouse & Nursery!



## Join The Prayer Chain!



We are adding the option of having requests emailed! See Bulletin Board & please add your name to the Sign-Up List of your choice. Questions? Please see Marion or Anne G.

### GREETERS

If you're interested in being a part of this ministry to welcome people on Sunday mornings, please see Pastor Al.



### Sexual Purity Workshop:

"Finding Victory in Jesus" - a 6-week encounter group, beginning Feb. 25, 10am. Cost: \$30. See Pastor Al to register. Deadline: Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>



### Ministry Opportunity:

2-3 Leaders are needed for Children's Church. Rotation is once every 6 weeks and material is provided. Please see Marion if you feel this is where God is asking you to get involved!



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

### Pledge Forms:

To support Nathan & Renee in their call to Africa are available from the sound booth ledge. (Suggested Church Goal: \$1000/month = 40 people giving \$25 each)

## MISSIONS PRAYER & PRAISE

### BOLIVIA

Jake & Dorothy Fehr

### Praise:

- For changed lives as a result of listening to the radio programs!

### Prayer:

- For the planning and funds for a new radio station at San Jose de Chiquitos

### THAILAND

Larry & Diane Willems

### Praise:

- The Lord for Pastor Kittikun who desires to join the Willems in planting a church

### Prayer:

- As they visit the areas where there are few Christians and no churches
- Pray for the one Christian family in the village of Baan Mae Sai Nalaw

### VENEZUELA

Ernest & Effie Dyck

### Praise:

- They have now safely returned to Venezuela & her father is doing ok

### Prayer:

- As they catch up and return to their busy ministry in Venezuela.

### CENTRAL ASIA

### Praise:

- The gas leak in their house was taken care of and no one was harmed!

### Prayer:

- To learn the language and wisdom on where to minister within the TeaHouse

### CANADA

Anne Reid

### Praise:

- For the 2 young adult women who are making wise decisions in their lives.

### Prayer:

- For Bible study for these women; for hearts that want to obey and believe God