

May 29, 2011

# INTOUCH

## From Friends in Joplin

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### SUNDAY – MAY 29

12:20 PM S.A.I.N.T.S ALIVE! LUNCHEON Fellowship Hall  
**MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTE**

*to all Veterans featuring stories and testimonials*  
 Everyone of all ages invited! Veterans, be sure to join us!

6-8:00 PM EXCEL Slip-n-Slide Kickball Arcadia Park

A combined Jr. High and High School event  
 Dinner + "you will get wet" + Fun + Gospel Talk  
 (SW corner of 56<sup>th</sup> Street and Indian School Road)

#### MONDAY – MAY 30

### Memorial Day

*May we remember, with gratitude and thanksgiving to God,  
 His protection and provision  
 through the sacrifice of many on our behalf.*

*May we uphold in prayer  
 and by our encouragement  
 those who currently serve our country  
 so faithfully and sacrificially.*

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Kick Boxing" Fellowship Hall

#### TUESDAY – MAY 31

VBS preparations underway all week long – Campus-wide

6:30 PM Teleios: *Managing Our Finances God's Way* Library (205)

#### WEDNESDAY – JUNE 1

7:00 AM Elder Prayer Paradise Bakery, Tatum & Shea

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "That's A Stretch" Fellowship Hall

5:30 PM Elder Prayer Pastor's Office

6-9:00 PM EXCEL Junior High Pizza & Pool Party The Klontz's home

7:00 PM EXCEL High School Small Groups Meeting in homes

#### THURSDAY – JUNE 2

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Cirque Du Soleil" Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM Young Adults Ministry The Tessmer's home

#### FRIDAY – JUNE 3

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Dance It Off" Fellowship Hall

#### SATURDAY – JUNE 4

10:30 AM Messianic Bible Studies 209

10:30 AM S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! Coffee Family Room

#### SUNDAY – JUNE 5

9:00 and 10:40 AM MORNING WORSHIP Sanctuary

Dr. Tim Savage  
 GOSPEL FOR LIFE

**"Working Out Our Own Salvation"**  
 Philippians 2:12-18

9:00 AM Nursery (birth – 18 months) 301-304

9:00 AM Children's Discipleship (19 months – gr. 3) 101-103, 201, 203

9:00 AM Adult Fellowship Classes 208, 209

9:00 AM Teleios: *Six Steps to Encouragement* Library (205)

9:00 AM Intergenerational Class: *Lord Teach Us to Pray* 207

9:00 AM DISCOVERY I Family Room

10:40 AM Nursery (birth – 18 months) 301-304

10:40 AM Children's Church (19 months – gr. 3) 101-103, 201, 203

10:40 AM Teleios: *Crown Study – God Provides* Family Room

10:40 AM Teleios: *The Reason For God* 208

12:30 PM Nursing Home Ministry meet @ Subway, 44<sup>th</sup> St. & Indian School

2:00 PM Nursing Home Ministry serve at Osborn Health & Rehabilitation

6:00 PM EXCEL High School Fellowship Hall

6:00 PM SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER Library (205)

A member of our CBC family, who graduated from a Christian college in Joplin, Missouri, still has a number of friends and acquaintances there serving in churches and the college. In asking for prayer for two couples who lost their homes in Sunday's tornado, she wrote:

*One of their homes blew apart while my friends were huddled in an inner closet, but they survived with only minor injuries. I marvel at the quickness of the churches in town who have mobilized to help, and how quickly they coordinated efforts with the Red Cross and other community services. Through story after story that I've read from friends, Jesus Christ is being exalted in countless ways in the midst of this storm's aftermath. Praise Him for that, and pray that it continues and spreads. Please pray for the "staying power" of the churches' efforts to help their own as well as those in the community. One pastor says he knows of 50 families in his church whose homes were completely destroyed, 100 others with damage, and the number keeps growing. Many have opened their homes to tornado-refugees, and that need will likely continue for some time to come.*

And later, she provided the following quotes:

From Phil Mehrens, Worship Minister at College Heights Christian Church: "So proud of the Bride of Christ today. The outpouring of compassion is astounding. Hundreds of work teams going out. Churches from everywhere are planning trips. All of our 60+ homeless church families have been taken in by other CHCC families. Constant phone calls. Truckloads of supplies line the hallways, gym, and atrium. Families are coming by to get necessities."

From Doug Welch, Ozark Christian College professor, about the OCC student who was killed in the Joplin tornado: "I still had a stack of papers to grade when the tornado hit. Today I looked on the top of the stack and there was Natalia Puebla's paper about the Resurrection of Jesus. It's a good paper, deserving of an A – but she knows this truth far better now. Please keep her family in your prayers."

The last Facebook post of Natalia's: "No guilt in life, no fear of death – this is the power of Christ in me. From life's first cry til final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, could ever pluck me from His hand. Til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I live."

And then the following first-hand account sent Wednesday from the friend whose house collapsed atop her and her husband:

*Calling this an adventure is definitely a coping mechanism at this time. Yesterday, we were able to retrieve more items from the house, most of it clothing. We don't know what we need to keep for insurance purposes and what to just get rid of. I spent all day just doing laundry. My husband spent the day at the house sifting through things. He had a great crew from our church along with some people who had made their way up here from Texas to help. God's people are great. We hurt, but you all are aware of that. Emotionally, we are a wreck (or at least I am). Sometimes I think I have no tears left. Being strong for other people is not an option. However, we will get through this because our God is a GREAT God.*

*Last night, we had to get into the crawl space of where we are staying because of the new weather system moving through. I felt safe and at peace. Not near what we had gone through on Sunday. This time I took my shoes and purse. I also have an iPad that one of my teacher friends let me borrow. I was able to talk to family and friends. One of the guys with us was listening to Stormtrackers watching what was going on. It was good to know where the tornadic activity was.*

*My host was able to take me out to our church where they have set up disaster relief for the victims. Hmmm...this is the first time I have thought of myself as a victim. I am not really a victim. I am being humbled to let others be a blessing.*

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*We were able to get some food, toiletries, laundry detergent, first aid supplies, etc. it was awesome at the same time. I found myself saying that I didn't need some items and then would come to the realization that I didn't have those items anymore. It is funny how we think.*

*We have come to the realization that we are going to need long-term temporary housing. I say long-term temporary for two reasons. First, this world is not my home! Secondly, it is temporary, but at the same time, we do not know how long it will take to rebuild. This has been the most emotional thing for me to request of some friends. While you have a need, you don't want to burden.*

*I have slept pretty well the last two nights, but I still find myself tired. I am thankful for friends, especially those who have graciously let us stay with them and use their stuff! And for the use of the iPad, I've been able to read my Bible again by having it. What a strength!*

*In the words of my wise friend, I wonder what God has in store for us?*

Hopefully, each of us can put ourselves into the experiences shared above and be encouraged by the responses of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Their lives are forever changed: physically and spiritually . . . for as formidable as the tornado was and its devastation is, our Lord is infinitely more so. And His own bear witness – within themselves, to others, and to us!

#### DON'T MISS THIS!

##### Especially you veteran's and military!

##### TODAY'S "MEMORIAL DAY" S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! LUNCHEON

will be a celebration honoring our veterans and military. They will be our guests of honor. It will start with each being greeted with an event medallion, a picture being taken and lunch. During lunch, on our big screen, a silent pictorial summary of some of our wars will be shown. The post-lunch program will begin with group singing. Our first feature will be a musical presentation by Jim Stabile of the birth of the *Star Spangled Banner*. Our military and veteran guests will be presented. Jim Hawthorne will glean military highlights from the front lines of 100 letters from World War II. And all of our guests will be given an opportunity to write the names of deceased veterans and military on a card that will be collected and included in a closing with all veterans and military gathered up front for a prayer of thanksgiving and praise by Gordon Donaldson. The sound of *Taps* will conclude the program. Everyone is invited – all ages!

**EXCEL STUDENTS:** Please visit the EXCEL booth on the patio and pick up information about Summer Camp at Forest Home, June 19-24. The last day to register is TODAY!

**EXCEL SLIP-N-SLIDE KICKBALL:** TONIGHT from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Arcadia Park (SW corner of 56<sup>th</sup> Street and Indian School Road). This will be a combined Jr. High and High School event featuring dinner, a chance to get wet (really wet!), fun, and gospel talk. Grab your friends and classmates and bring them along!

**S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! COFFEE** will be held on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. As Executive Pastor of Family Life, Reverend Ron Elwardt plays a vital role at Camelback Bible Church. Pastor Ron always provides thought-provoking and inspiring insights, and we are delighted that he will fellowship with us at our June Coffee. Plan to come and enjoy his company and the light brunch that will be served.

**DISCOVERY I**, our first Sunday of the month introduction to the strategic role of the local church, will be held next Sunday, June 5, at 9:00 AM in the Family Room off the Sanctuary narthex. At Camelback Bible Church, we believe the Lord has drawn us together to be a radiant beacon of his matchless glory in a very dark world. Through us, the body of Christ, the world discovers the transforming power of Christ's love. It's a vocation we hardly deserve. But by God's grace, it's one we enthusiastically embrace. Newcomers, be sure to join us next Sunday morning!

**SPRING 2011 COLLEGE AND GRADUATE SCHOOL GRADUATES!** On Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, we would very much like to include an insert in our bulletin that let's our CBC family know of your college graduation or graduate degree completion. Please contact Mary Gayle in the church office by this Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> with your name, degree, school, and its location. Parents, if you would like to provide this information on behalf of your graduate, please do so. We look forward to hearing from you!

## PRAYING FOR THE NEXT GENERATION Monthly Prayers for our Children

**JUNE PRAYER:** Lord, may this child live a life worthy of his/her calling. May you empower him/her to live a life of faith that results in many great and good works being accomplished. Above all, would You be glorified in and through this child.

**2 Thessalonians 1:11-12 (NIV)** *With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may count you worthy of His calling, and that by His power he may fulfill every good purpose of yours and every act prompted by your faith. We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**CBC HAS RESERVED 30 TICKETS** for Faith and Family Night at the Diamondback's game on Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The wonderful music group Leeland will be performing after the game. This is a great opportunity to invite friends or neighbors to see a fun game and hear the gospel through music. The tickets are only \$12. Please contact Jeanne Bookhout to reserve your tickets – [Jbookhout@cbcaz.org](mailto:Jbookhout@cbcaz.org).

**"PEACEMAKERS: BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES FOR HANDLING CONFLICT,"** taught by Mike and Cindy Bailey, is scheduled to take place on Sundays, 9:00 to 10:30 AM, June 12 – August 7, in the Library (205). God's Word says much about how to view and handle conflict in a way that brings honor to God and serves others. This class is designed to explore and then apply God's truths to the very present conflicts in our lives. Through discussion format, participants will be able to hone their understanding of passages related to conflict management, and then be challenged to apply these principles to situations that they or others they know currently confront. You may register by calling the church office during business hours.

**VBS DONATIONS NEEDED: Bottled Water (1 gallon size), 8 oz. Styrofoam Cups, and Goldfish Crackers.** Please label items with "VBS" and drop the off in Fellowship Hall, on the table against the west interior wall (nearest the kitchen) on Sunday mornings or during normal business hours. Thank you!

**MUSIC JAMBOREE 2011** is coming in July! Sponsored by Desert Bells and CBC, this training camp provides general music instruction with specific application in the playing of bells and percussion. Open to 1<sup>st</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders, it will be held July 11-15, 18-22 here at CBC. For beginning to advanced musicians the classes and activities include: Handbells (Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Bells), Percussion (American and African Drums, South American Drums), Orff Schulwerk (Aural Development, Xylophone Techniques, Metal and Wood), and Music & Movement (Stage Presence and Music Appreciation). Registration forms are available in the narthex and the church office.

**2011 CBC DIRECTORY IS HERE!** Be sure and take a moment to pick up a new CBC directory for your family! It's compact for your "take-along" convenience – and available in the Narthex and at the Welcome Center. You may also pick up a copy at the church office between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

**FRAN LANDRO'S SON, DOUG LANDRO, AND HIS FAMILY,** CBC missionaries in the Ukraine, will be here and need to borrow a car from July 3<sup>rd</sup> through July 17<sup>th</sup> this summer. They will be attending CBC family camp in California and then will do some visiting of their supporters in the California area on their way home the second week. When he is in Arizona they will be sharing her car but if he takes it to California she will be home-bound for those two weeks. If you have one that they could borrow, please contact Fran at 480-945-2509. Thank you!

#### CBC GIVING TO DATE, 2011

Budgeted Need for May 2011	\$126,847.00
Last Week's Giving	\$ 29,133.00
May Giving to Date	\$ 99,511.00
Remaining Need for May 2011	\$ 27,336.00