

INTOUCH

January 24, 2010

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

An eye-witness account of the devastation in Haiti

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY – JANUARY 24

- 12:15 PM BIBLICAL CONCERT (30 minutes in length) Sanctuary
 Robbie Buss, French Horn, and Guy Whatley, Organ
 2:45 PM Campanitas and Bell Canto Bells meet in the Library for Concert
 3:00 PM DESERT BELLS CONCERT Sanctuary

After Christmas Concert

(See the announcement on the back of today's IN TOUCH)

- 4:30 PM New Song Singers (Grades 4-9) 206
 5:00 PM Carol Choir (Grades K-3) 206
 5:00 PM CBC Ringers (Grades 7-12) 208
 6:00 PM Sanctuary Bells (Adults) 208
 6:00 PM Discovery II – Session One Fellowship Hall
 6:00 PM Sunday Evening Prayer Library

MONDAY – JANUARY 25

- 9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Turbo Blast" Fellowship Hall
 7:00 PM Community Bible Study F. Hall, 206-207,209

TUESDAY – JANUARY 26

- 7:00 AM Teleios Women's Prayer/Study: John 10 Library
 9:00 AM Teleios Women's Precept Study: James 207
 9:15 AM Teleios Women's Study: The Apostles Creed, Pt. 2 Library
 6:30 PM Elder Board Meeting Library

WEDNESDAY – JANUARY 27

- 9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "That's A Stretch" Fellowship Hall
 5:30 PM Elder Prayer Sr. Pastor's Office
 6:45 PM LOGOS Kids Club Classrooms

Parents invited to "Camp Night"

For fellowship and information about Spring Fling and Family Summer Camp

- 6:45 PM EXCEL Student Ministry (Jr. High & High School) F. Hall
 6:45 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Choir Room
 6:45 PM Teleios: Simple Answers to Hard Questions Library

THURSDAY – JANUARY 28

- 9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Cirque Du Soleil" Fellowship Hall
 6:30 PM College & 20-Somethings Ministry (dinner/study) Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY – JANUARY 29

- 9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Dance It Off" Fellowship Hall
 8:00 PM Phoenix Chamber Music Society Concert Sanctuary
 Brentano String Quartet

SATURDAY – JANUARY 30

- 9:00 AM GriefShare Training Library

SUNDAY – JANUARY 31

- 9:00 and 10:40 AM MORNING WORSHIP Sanctuary
 Dr. Tim Savage
 LIGHTS OF THE WORLD, Part II
 "Until All Nations See"
 Ezekiel 36:22-38

- 9:00 AM Nursery (birth – 23 months) 301-304
 9:00 AM Children's Discipleship (24 mo – gr. 6) 101-104, 201, 203, 206
 9:00 AM Adult Fellowships 208, 209
 9:00 AM Teleios: "Delighting in Our Calling" Part II (Women) 205
 10:40 AM Nursery (birth – 23 months) 301-304
 10:40 AM Children's Church (24 mo – 3 years) 101-104
 10:40 AM Children's Church (4 years – grade 6) 201, 203, 206
 10:40 AM Teleios: "Being Salt & Light in Contemporary America" 207
 4:00 PM New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells 206, 207
 5:00 PM Carol Choir & Bell Canto Bells 206, 207
 5:00 PM CBC Ringers (Grades 7-12) 208
 6:00 PM Sanctuary Bells (Adults) 208
 6:00 PM Discovery II – Session Two Fellowship Hall
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What follows is an email sent on January 14th to the Food for the Hungry offices here in Phoenix from one of its staff members in Haiti, Marlene, their Health Programs Manager there. Perhaps her experience, faith, and prayer will help us see not only Haiti more clearly, but apply the themes of Job we've recently looked at as well. (Note: text below is given as written, by a woman for whom English is not her first, or second, language. Please excuse grammatical errors.)

As you may already know Haiti is going to a very dramatic time after a very strong earth quake that practically destroy mainly Port au Prince and the metropolitan area. We are in a situation of disaster and we are ALL left by ourselves because the UN HQ [United Nations hdqtrs.] as been completely destroyed and the compete head team has been killed after the building housing them (a huge hotel of more than 8 floor and as many at lower level) was completely smashed down...the direct consequence is that all effort (loader, tractors, helicopters, etc.) are concentrated to help the UN first and the whole population is left to her "own sake" as they reply when they are called for help. People that are under the destroyed building and still alive are not being rescued by the institutional help, we are seeing instead solidarity effort and enthusiastic and spontaneous helper rescuing people. In my neighborhood we were able to rescue alive a 98 year-old blind lady after 16 hours. Her house smashed down over her head, she is not well with her left arm broken and bruised she might end up amputated.

Seven hospitals have been destroyed including two of MSF and the results that the only remaining hospital were overloaded after 45mn following the event and after the first day they ran out of all elementary medical material like IV fluid or just gauze. Thousands of people (3,000 they say) are wounded and cannot receive help or care as a result many have died because of lack of care. Since help from the government or the UN has been totally absent the populations is fighting alone and the dead people are just abandoned on the sidewalk, we cannot count them. Caribbean Market was smashed down to the street level at the rush hour time. Many school, hotels (like the Montana: hosting at the time 200 visitors was completely destroyed) and universities while they wee having the afternoon group working. The palace is partially destroyed and the cathedral is completely destroyed.

My family was miraculously save alive: the house where I lived is completely destroyed although the roof is still standing. Next door, where I grew up my parents house is completely smashed down with my father. He died I think and hope immediately we were able to remove him under the roof from after 2 hours of effort and I have buried him in the front yard of our his home (instead of waiting for the government). Funeral home are unreachable and anyway overloaded. I am trying to help as a doctor but there is not much supply to care for wound and bruises.

Life has stopped since 2 days. Communication is impossible by phone and I am using friend internet provider to send this email.

We need is mainly: medical teams and supplies to care for wounded people, traumatic specialized surgeon and or orthopedist, and nurses (amputation will be probably the most required action at the moment help will arrived) psycho logic support will be important as well, food for the population living in the street and sleeping on the drive way on comforter and sheet mattresses, that what I am doing for 2 days with my family.

I personally have almost lost everything as furniture and clothing, shoes: however my laptop (my working life was with me and is still safe). School year is probably lost, because most schools are destroyed...I do no know....

I remain hopeful and merciful to the Lord who is on His throne the same way as HE was WHEN Noah EXPERIENCED FLOOD....

We need you to pray for lives to be changed by the grace of GOD I have never seen Haitian crying out to GOD like that so it is a right time for them to accept the Lord as their Savior.

Marlene

As we know from watching the news, help did begin to arrive from around the world, the U.S. in particular, but the devastation is overwhelming, increased by the aftershocks since. Continued and long-term help is mandatory. We remind you, that Harvest Foundation (which works closely with Food for the Hungry) is actively on the ground in Haiti, ministering to both physical and spiritual needs. See the back of the IN TOUCH for details on how to contribute.

Teleios 2010 Winter/Spring Classes

We encourage each of you to look at all the classes that are being offered this Teleios session. Several new classes are designed to build you up in Christ and prepare you to be His witnesses, enabling you to better "serve in our world as Christ served in His." Some "old favorites" are being repeated as well. Flyers are available at the Welcome Center, in the office, and online: www.cbcaz.org/teleios. Sign up by calling the church, 602-955-6370, Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM.

Starting soon...

"Foundations" led by David Jones, Sundays, Hour TBD by class members, January 31 – May 16, meeting in Pastor Tim's Office This class offers a basic biblical theology of God, His Word, and what it teaches us today, along with its application to our lives – a great opportunity for those returning to, or who are new in their faith, as well as for anyone looking for a biblical theology review. To enroll, please call the church office or Dave/Beccy Jones @ 602-861-4080.

CONGRATULATIONS are extended from the CBC family to Pastor Vernon and Dennae Pierre on the birth of their son, Judah Justice, born on January 14th. His arrival has been greeted with great enthusiasm by his older siblings, Marcel (8) and Mya (5), whose adoptions are nearing completion. We are thrilled for this family and the church family that they serve, Roosevelt Community Church in downtown Phoenix.

SYMPATHY is extended from the CBC family to Flor Garlotte, whose mother, Soledad Giraldo, passed away on January 13th. Soledad, a resident of Colombia – South America, was 71 years of age, the mother of 12 children, and grandmother to many. Services were held in Colombia and Flor was able to be there, having four days with her extended family. She appreciates our prayers as she deals with this huge loss.

CONGRATULATIONS are extended from the CBC family to John and Hazel Patterson whose marriage of 50 years was celebrated quietly at home yesterday. Hazel's deep gratitude goes to God for the years He has given them and for His faithfulness in these recent, more difficult years of John's declining health. To God be the glory!

CONGRATULATIONS from his CBC family go to Fred Sanborn who, yesterday, was honored for his 20 years of faithful service as Board Chairman of Sports Outreach Ministry (California). A celebratory tribute was held yesterday in Tempe. We are grateful for this recognition of a man who also serves his CBC family faithfully, primarily through prayer and as one of the leadership team of S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE!

BABY/CHILD DEDICATION is scheduled for Sunday, January 31st. Should you wish to bring your baby/child forward for dedication on that day, please **call the office no later than tomorrow**. Additionally, if it is your first dedication at CBC, an appointment with a pastor prior to the dedication is needed. Please talk with Mary Gayle Stewart in the office about setting up a pastoral appointment. Thank you.

S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! LUNCHEON, Sunday, January 31, 2010. Camelback Bible Church members, Dr. Travis and Kathy Holcombe, will be featured at this luncheon. We will have the opportunity hear their personal testimonies and learn how God is using them in building up the church and expanding His kingdom. We will gather in Fellowship Hall following the 10:40 AM Worship Service. S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! is a ministry targeting adults who are 55+. However, we welcome anyone of any age who has an interest in attending the luncheon.

Desert Bells International and Kay Cook present their

After Christmas Concert

Bronzeworks, Scottsdale Handbell Ensemble and Cactus Wren Ringers

Today at 3:00 PM in our Sanctuary

Desert Bells International is pleased to present this concert as both a make-up concert for the cancelled Christmas Concert and as a fund-raiser for the ongoing needs of its musical arts program, needs which if not met threaten its continuation. Tickets may be purchased at the door: Adults \$20, Seniors (62 and over) and Students \$15. Additionally, tickets previously purchased for the cancelled Christmas Concert will be honored at this concert. Please come and be with us this afternoon for some great music and in support of Desert Bells!

SHOULD GOD BE PROMPTING YOU to provide help to those impacted by the recent earthquake in Haiti, one way that we can recommend is through Harvest Ministries. CBC Elder Keith Edwards, on staff with Harvest, indicates that whatever is given through Harvest will go directly to relief in Haiti through the Harvest staff ministering there. Make checks payable to Harvest Ministry and include a note in the envelope that the money is going to Haiti Relief (do not write Haiti Relief on the check). Send it to Harvest Ministry at 701 North 1st Street, Phoenix 85004.

A TEAM OF THREE (Susan and Faith Nsubuga, and Doug White) left on the 18th of January for Uganda. They are planning on overseeing the work of clearing the land, drilling a well, and the initial construction of the caretaker's house for Masters Vineyard Ministry. Please pray for the sharing of God's Word to be in His power and might to the saving of many, as Doug, Faith and Susan minister with the MVM team from Moroto in daily Bible study and through the evangelistic crusade planned for the Karamoja people while they are there. **Pray for the will of our God to be done and His name to be glorified, in all persons and in all ways. Amen!**

LOGOS KIDS CLUB CAMP NIGHT is this Wednesday night, January 27, from 6:45 to 8:15 PM. Parents are invited to join us! Drop your children off at Club and then head over to Room 203 to learn about our Annual Spring Fling Camp, and our 3rd Annual Family Camp. LOGOS is a great outreach to our community (over 2/3 of its attendees are not from our church). Even if not currently participating in Club, we strongly encourage you to come learn about the upcoming camps. Your children can try out a night of LOGOS, and you can meet the leaders and see for yourself what awaits your child at Spring Fling 2010! Spring Fling is for 3rd-6th graders, but we encourage ALL parents to attend Camp Night! *Light refreshments will be served.*

GRIEFSHARE TRAINING OPPORTUNITY is available this Saturday, January 30, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. What would you say to someone who has experienced the death of a friend or relative? Often we are silent . . . we don't know what to say. Please join us. There are many short and long-term opportunities where your sensitivity could be used for the glory of God to serve our church family as well as our community. This information is useful in your everyday life as you reach out to those hurting around you and it doesn't commit you to anything. Come and get a taste of this ministry. Contact: Sandra Cook, Fran Landro, or Mardette Hemann

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR STUDENTS GRADES 4-8 consists of a three-week series of classes taught by Pastor Jason Doughty. The classes will be held from 10:40 AM to 12:00 Noon on Sundays February 7, 14 and 21 in Rm. 209. Parents, please prayerfully consider enrolling your child in this important class. Please contact Renee in the church office to sign up, renee@camelbackbible.org or 602-955-6370, ext. 106. Thank you.

CHILDSAFE CLASS, Sunday, February 28, 6:00-7:30 PM, Room 205. This class is *required* for all Children's Ministry and Excel Staff, including Nursery Workers. This class is vitally important for preparing those who work with children and/or youth to know what legal and ethical responsibilities they have towards those in their care. Please RSVP to Renee Zuck at renee@camelbackbible.org or 602-955-6370, ext. 106 no later than Friday, February 12th. Childcare is provided.

CBC FAMILY CAMP – SAVE THE DATE! NEW LOWER PRICE! Join us for our Third Annual Family Camp in Pine Valley, California, July 8-11, 2010. Families, singles, couples – everyone – come be part of this wonderful, memory-filled time away. Register online at www.cbcaz.org/familycamp. The cost is \$200/Adult and \$100/Child (age 3-11). A 10% non-refundable deposit is needed to reserve your spot. Questions? Please contact Pastor Jason at doughty@camelbackbible.org or 602-955-6370. We look forward to hearing from you and having you with us!

BETHEL CHOIR WILL BE VISITING US on March 14, singing in our morning services, joining us for our monthly Fellowship Luncheon, and performing in a concert in the afternoon. Housing is needed for Saturday night, March 13, and Sunday night, March 14. If you can help with housing, please contact Julie Shumate in the church office at 602-955-6370 or Julie@camelbackbible.org. And please call Christina Watson at 602-681-9206 to offer extra food for that day's luncheon.

OUR MISSIONARY FROM JAPAN, DON TOTH, is back with us for a few months. He is taking some time to be with family and rest. Upon his return to Japan he plans to pursue his vision of working in a Coffee House Ministry as a way to draw many in, and share the good news of Christ in a non-threatening context. Coffee House management experience shared with Don is invited. Call him at 480-893-2238!