

October 31, 2010

INTOUCH

José Henriquez: A Christian Example in Times of Crisis

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY – OCTOBER 31

12:15 PM **S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! Luncheon** Fellowship Hall
All are invited!

Come! Learn about the work of God in Brazil and enjoy delicious Brazilian food with guests, Cleiton and Elly Oliveira

4:00 PM New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells not rehearsing tonight
5:00 PM Carol Choir & Bell Canto Bells not rehearsing tonight
6:00 PM EXCEL High School not meeting tonight
6:00 PM SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER Library (205)

MONDAY – NOVEMBER 1

7:00 AM **Teleios: Women's Prayer & Bible Study** Family Room
9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Kick Boxing" Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM Community Bible Study Fellowship Hall and Classrooms

TUESDAY – November 2 ELECTION DAY

6 AM– 7PM Be sure to exercise your God-given privilege and vote today!
9:00 AM **Teleios Study: Covenant: God's Enduring Promises** 207
6:45 PM **Teleios: GriefShare: God's Prescription for Grief** Family Room

WEDNESDAY – November 3

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "That's A Stretch" Fellowship Hall
5:00 PM CBC Ringers Sanctuary
5:30 PM Elder Prayer Sr. Pastor's Office
6:00 PM Sanctuary Bells Sanctuary
6:45 PM LOGOS Kids Club 201, 203, 206-209
6:45 PM EXCEL Junior High Fellowship Hall
6:45 PM **Teleios: What Makes a Man or Women Godly?** Library (205)
6:45 PM **Teleios: The Case for Kids** Family Room
6:45 PM Sanctuary Choir rehearsal Choir Room

THURSDAY – NOVEMBER 4

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – "Cirque Du Soleil" Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Young Adult Ministry Dinner/Study Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Ecclesiastes Bible Study (alternate weeks) Josh Brook's

FRIDAY – NOVEMBER 5

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

SATURDAY, - NOVEMBER 6

4:30 PM Orpheus Male Chorus & The Phoenix Chorale Sanctuary
Boys to Men Concert – A Festival of the Male Voice

SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 7

Family Sunday

9:00 AM

MORNING WORSHIP

The entire CBC family gathered together in one combined worship service

Dr. Tim Savage

Looking back at the faithfulness of God;

Looking forward to consider the possibilities He might have in store for us

With

An OLD-FASHIONED, ALL CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC

capping off the morning

(See the back of the IN TOUCH or more details)

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5:00 PM Carol Choir & Bell Canto Bells 206, 207
6:00 PM EXCEL High School Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM Sunday Evening Prayer Library (205)

6:30-8:00 PM

Ignite Fall Celebration

A time of worship, community with each other, intimacy with Christ, and more, led by the CBC Young Adults Ministry In the Sanctuary
All ages welcome!

'This morning was special, since I received a call from the Henriquez family. At last I had the opportunity to talk on the phone with José Samuel Henriquez, "the spiritual leader of the thirty-three [rescued miners in Chile]." This was a special moment because he was still in Copiapó, and because we were accomplices of a little act that exalted the name of our Lord Jesus Christ around the world.

We talked about several topics; he sounded calm. He confidently told me: "there wasn't a moment when I felt forsaken. I knew the Lord was working." Concerning the first seventeen days, a period of time when they didn't have any contact with the surface, the testimony is moving. "At that point, some started to wonder, why didn't God kill us right away? Others started to write their letters to be read posthumously. Hope was slowly vanishing." But he continues, "This amazed me greatly, I saw them all humbled. God was pleased by this attitude." He trusted the Lord even more during these moments and let his companions know this from the beginning, "If I'm going to take the spiritual leadership role, we are going to pray, because I believe in a living God."

What happened on the sixteenth day, a day before the probe reached the refuge, is a moving testimony, "the food box was empty. Though we had rationed the food quite a bit, there was just a little bit left to appease our minds." Even more amazing, this is the moment when he says to his coworkers, remembering the multiplication of the bread and the fish, "we are going to pray; tomorrow the box will be full of food. We will have food in abundance." Through the phone, I perceived that this was the most moving moment for him; he got choked up by remembering that the next day the probe made contact with them. The multiplication was real; they saw how the box was filling up with food exceedingly. It was a miracle, a glorious moment.

José Samuel focuses now on the community aspect, "we were at the point where everybody sang. It wasn't just a service for praying but for worshipping the Lord." This made me remember that the first time we communicated through a letter; he had confided to me that he was trying to gather them twice a day, which he successfully accomplished.

Concerning the MP3 players, he told me that when they received them, "they were happy. They loved the dramatized story telling of the Jesus film. They listened to it several times and whenever they could since the conditions weren't the best; there was dust, rocks and water falling due to the work they were doing above." Anyway, "the Word was planted and now we must hope that God continues His work."

As far as the possibility of the miners encountering Christ, Henriquez holds that at least "twenty of them indicated a decision." Several have given testimony of their conversion through the letters they sent to the surface and the public thanksgiving to God when they were coming out of the mine. Their wives have also witnessed the change.

We came to the topic of the t-shirts [shirts which bore a star on the front with the words "¡Gracias Señor" - "Thank You Lord!", and on the back, an Old Testament quotation from Psalm 95:4, "In his hand are the depths of the earth, and mountain peaks belong to him." He said, "I told them that it was a unique opportunity to give the glory to God. It was an agreement. There was no problem; nobody said anything to oppose this idea. In fact, two of the rescuers were Christians and one came in saying, 'there is nothing impossible for God' a phrase that some started to write on the star of the t-shirt."

José is, without a doubt, a man of faith: a Christian example in times of crisis. How would our faith be at seven hundred meters (around 2000 feet) underground, without hope of life? It is possible that most of us will never experience a dramatic and extreme situation like this. But at least it should be expected that our faith in Jesus Christ would be the same and that, like Henriquez, we would conclude, "I have peace having planted the Word of God, having experienced what the Word did in their lives; and now trusting that He will finish the work that He started."

Christian Maureira
National Director of Campus Crusade for Christ, Chile
Jesus Film Representative in Chile

This was translated by Paola Daly

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Be sure to be here!

**This is going to be a Sunday unlike any other;
one you simply do not want to miss!**

Plan now to set aside the full morning of November 7th
to be with God's family . . . this, your CBC family.

We'll be all together in
ONE COMBINED SERVICE at 9:00 AM

looking back at the faithfulness of God,
and continuing together as we consider the possibilities
of what He might want for us in the future

Nursery for age 0-3 will be available as usual.
Children age 4 through Grade 3 will be dismissed from service to classes.
Adult/Youth/4th-6th Grade classes will not meet but attend the full service.

and

we'll conclude the morning with a
BIG, OLD-FASHIONED, CHUCH FAMILY PICNIC,
celebrating God's gift to us of one another!

Grilled hot dogs and hamburgers, condiments, and drinks provided
WE BRING ALL THE OTHER FOOD: SIDE DISHES & DESSERTS

Please bring two dishes (if possible), to feed 8 to 10,
to the kitchen before the 9:00 AM service. Thank you!

WE NEED LOTS OF FOOD FOR THIS GREAT BIG FAMILY!

Comfortable picnic attire suggested for the morning

SYMPATHY is extended from the CBC family to Linda Lierman and her extended family following the recent death of her 100 year-old father, Delos A. Talbert, Sr. of Kountze, Texas. The family, while losing someone very important to them, celebrates his love for and now presence with the LORD.

DISCOVERY I, our once-a-month session that introduces attendees to the strategic role of the local church, will be held on Sunday, November 14th, at 9:00 AM in the Family Room (off the Sanctuary entry), postponed one week in deference to the Family Sunday (outlined above). Newcomers to CBC are encouraged to attend, as well as those seeking to pursue membership in this church family.

Women's Christmas Brunch

Saturday, December 4, 2010, 10:00 a.m.

"In The Fullness of Time"

"In the fullness of time . . . God sent forth His Son"
Galatians 4:4

Ladies, mark your calendars for our CBC Women's Christmas Brunch on Saturday, December 4th. Bring all the women in your life – family members, friends, and neighbors, to this wonderful outreach event. Tickets go on sale November 14th after Sunday services and in the church office during the week. We are planning on a special time of worship, fellowship, food, and a Christmas message from our own Kathy Holcombe. Tickets are \$5, with scholarships available for those who would otherwise be unable to attend. We will be serving a buffet-style brunch again this year, with homemade Christmas cookies always a highlight! Reserved seating is available for those with physical needs.

Would you like to make some new friends and have some fun?

Come join the Brunch Committee!

Contact these ladies:

Food preparation: call Kris Pitrat at 602-233-1432

Set-up and clean-up: Marlene Delnoce at mcjrp@aol.com

Decorations: Lisa Savale at lsavale@msn.com

Homemade Christmas cookies: Nancy Whalen at ncwhalen@cox.net

To help in other ways, please call Mischael Liggett at mrlafl@cox.net

Contributions to help with the cost of the morning are always appreciated.

Please consider a donation in addition to your normal giving.

Questions? Contact Nancy Whalen at 602-677-5263 or ncwhalen@cox.net

PRAYING FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

Monthly Prayers for our Children

NOVEMBER: Lord, I pray that Christ might take up residence in this child's heart, filling the inner being with the power of the Spirit. May he/she know strength that comes from Christ's presence to overcome every temptation and bondage the evil one will throw his/her way. **Ephesians 3:16-17a (NIV)**
I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.

WE ARE PRAISING GOD for all that took place on our campus Wednesday night as the CBC family welcomed over 155 families (the "people" count is yet to be determined) to our campus for our annual **FALL FESTIVAL**. The entire campus was **ALIVE** with activity, including our first annual hay maze, and the ever popular bonfire and s'mores. There is much more to tell, but the greatest joy comes from individual conversations sparked by the presentations of the Gospel and the interest that multiple families from the community, many unchurched, showed in wanting to know more – about the Gospel message and about Camelback Bible Church. Please pray for God's follow-up and ours! He has opened many doors!

THE SEASON OF SERVICE is off to a great start following the kick-off event at area schools in our community. Momentum is building for the Hunger Awareness outreach we will be hosting at Camelback High School on November 20. For those ready to commit, a free Season of Service tee shirt as a reward for early signup is available to all who sign up by Monday morning, November 1. Make a fashion statement by wearing yours to the church picnic following the services next Sunday, November 7. Sign up by emailing don.swierenga@cox.net and include your shirt size. Use this email if you have questions or want to learn more about this extraordinary opportunity.

IN KEEPING WITH OUR SEASON OF SERVICE THEME, over twenty of our youth served this past Monday at Neighborhood Ministries. Teens from the EXCEL group and their friends gather each month to cook and serve the evening meal for over 300 who attend the Kids Club ministry at the Neighborhood Center. An additional opportunity for our teens and young adults to serve Neighborhood Ministries will occur this Saturday evening, November 6 from 4:30 to 7:30 PM. During that time volunteers at Neighborhood Ministries will attend a dinner in recognition of their work to improve the lives of those in this distressed community. Childcare for these faithful volunteers is needed during the time of celebration. If you would like to join some of our youth and participate in this unique opportunity to support those who are bringing Christ to the city at Neighborhood Ministries, please email Don Swierenga at don.swierenga@cox.net. Thank you!

BECAUSE IT'S TOUGH GETTING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS after you have lost a loved one, please don't forget to join us at our one-day GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays" seminar. The cost is \$5.00 for materials; scholarships are available. The date is Tuesday, November 9, from 6:45 to 8:45 PM and it will be held in the Family Room, off the north side of the Sanctuary narthex (entry). Please RSVP to 602-955-6370 to be certain that your Christmas Book will be reserved for you.

WORTHY OF CONSIDERATION: 1) **A two-day Biblical Counseling Conference** entitled "Tearing Down Strongholds" will take place November 12 and 13 in Gilbert, Arizona. Speakers include George Scipione, Jim Newheiser, and CBC's David Edgington. For more information go to www.BCTCofAz.net or email adminassistant@BCTCofAz.net or call 480-813-0883, Ext. 4; and 2) from Pastor James Hoxworth, encouragement to attend a **Men's Night Out** on Monday, November 8, featuring Pastor Darrin Patrick of The Journey Church in St. Louis. His subject will be "Redeeming Masculinity." The time is 7:00 PM; the place is Tempe Mission, 2150 E. Southern Ave., Tempe. Call Pastor James for more info. To register go to <http://www.praxischurch.com/redeeming-masculinity-registration>.

CBC GIVING UPDATE

Financial Need to make budget by end of 4 th Quarter	\$902,488
Actual 4 th Quarter Giving To Date	\$ 81,867
Remaining Need to make budget by end of 4 th Quarter	\$820,621
Last Week's Giving	\$ 28,036