

INTOUCH

June 20, 2010

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY – JUNE 20

*God bless all the “fathers” in our lives,
whoever they may be,
and however they may have come to be there.*

EXCEL and Staff at Summer Camp, Forest Home C.C., Forest Falls, CA
 12:30 PM Osborn H. & R. Ministry meets Fellowship Hall
 2:00 PM Osborn H. & R. serves at Osborn Health & Rehab
 6:00 PM SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER 206

MONDAY – JUNE 21

EXCEL and Staff at Summer Camp, Forest Home C.C., Forest Falls, CA
 9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – “Kick Boxing” Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY – JUNE 22

EXCEL and Staff at Summer Camp, Forest Home C.C., Forest Falls, CA
 6-8:00 PM 9 AM Worship Team practice Sanctuary
 6:30 PM Elder Board Meeting The Family Room
 7:00 PM Teleios: *Crown Biblical Financial Study* Library (205)

WEDNESDAY – JUNE 23

EXCEL and Staff at Summer Camp, Forest Home C.C., Forest Falls, CA
 9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – “That’s A Stretch” Fellowship Hall
 5:30 PM Elder Prayer Sr. Pastor’s Office
 6:45 PM EXCEL will not meet tonight (Summer Camp in progress)

THURSDAY – JUNE 24

EXCEL and Staff at Summer Camp, Forest Home C.C., Forest Falls, CA
 9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – “Cirque Du Soleil” Fellowship Hall
 6:30 PM College & 20-Somethings Dinner/Study Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY – JUNE 25

EXCEL and Staff en route from Summer Camp
 9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – “Dance It Off” Fellowship Hall
 Noon RESOLVED CONFERENCE attendees depart from CBC
 5:30 PM EXCEL Summer Camp attendees return to CBC

SATURDAY – JUNE 26

RESOLVED CONFERENCE in Palm Springs, California
 10:30 AM GriefShare Reunion The Family Room

SUNDAY – JUNE 27

RESOLVED CONFERENCE in Palm Springs, California
 9:00 and 10:40 AM Prayer for Worship Services Prayer Room
 9:00 and 10:40 AM MORNING WORSHIP Sanctuary
 Dr. David D. Edgington
“Faith as Heavenly-Minded Perseverance”
 Hebrews 11:8-16

9:00 AM	Nursery (birth – 23 months)	301-304
9:00 AM	Children's Discipleship (24 mo – gr. 3)	101-104, 201, 203
9:00 AM	Teleios: <i>Intergenerational Stewardship Class</i>	207
9:00 AM	Sojourners Adult Fellowship	208
9:00 AM	Diakonia Adult Fellowship	209
10:40 AM	Nursery (birth – 23 months)	301-304
10:40 AM	Children's Church (24 mo – grade 3)	101-104, 201, 203
6:00 PM	EXCEL – High School	Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER	206
Midnight	RESOLVED CONFERENCE attendees return	to CBC



Logan, Cade, Bill and Taylor Pinalto
 (with Christine behind the camera doing what she does best; taking great pictures!)

Dear Camelback family,

I am looking out the windows of my office as I write, enjoying the beauty of my urban Chicago neighborhood. The tulips are in bloom, tall trees form a shady canopy over the street, and dark green “shoots” of ivy climb their way up the ornate 100 year-old brownstones and red brick buildings around me. It’s quite a picture.

But as beautiful as the scenery is in this city, it pales in comparison to the beauty of God’s work in the lives of His people here. I love my new church family! The people are wonderful, friendly, generous, and warm. Most importantly, they are eager to proclaim the gospel in our neighborhood...and they are doing it in many ways! It’s so much fun to be a part of a close knit, yet diverse urban community. Because of our dense urban setting, we are forced to “live” together - in almost every way. I am surrounded by people from the church. They live above me, beside me, across the alley...literally all around me. But it’s great! Our ability to love one another daily, in front of our non-believing neighbors, provides a tangible witness to the power of the gospel in our lives. People around us are definitely taking notice...and God is using it to transform their lives, as well (evidence of John 13:35, Matt. 5:16).

Craig and Becca Devereaux moved into the neighborhood a week after my arrival, and they have been able to worship with us for two Sundays now. They live just 2 blocks away from the church building (and from us). We’ve also had Andrew Stravitz and his wife, Stacey, in attendance lately. What a joy to see some familiar faces from Camelback in our new church! Praise God.

We love you and miss you all. Despite the excitement of a new city and a new church, Christine, the kids, and I do get homesick from time-to-time. I’m sure that will continue for a while. I promise that this letter will not be my last. I’ll keep you all updated on the Lord’s work here in Chicago, as I know many of you are interested to hear about our ministry here. Thank you for all of your loving support! We are blessed to know that you are mindful of us. Please keep us in your prayers. You will be in ours!

Bringing Christ to the City,

Bill Pinalto



"The joy of the LORD is your strength" Nehemiah 8:10

The word "joy" is used today in many ways to express emotions of delight, gladness, happiness, typically brought about by external circumstances such as this youngster experienced on the very popular water slide that celebrated – along with a closing program and hot dog picnic for family and friends – our week-long Vacation Bible School on Friday, June 11, the last day of VBS.

But Scripture uses the word "joy" in a much deeper and more profound sense. As Unger's Bible Dictionary describes it, "Joy is a delight of the mind arising from the consideration of a present, or assured possession of a future good."

It is our prayer that the *Good News* of Jesus Christ takes hold of and delights the minds (and hearts) of all 250 plus children who attended VBS; that the JOY of the LORD will indeed be their strength, beginning now and into eternity!

NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRIES, our ministry partner in urban Phoenix, experienced a fire this past week. The warehouse that holds items to be sold in the Thrift Store was lost along with all the merchandise stored there. Some of the items recently donated by many from our church were consumed in the fire. Thankfully, no one was hurt and the store serving that distressed community was unaffected. To learn more about the circumstances resulting from this misfortune, you are encouraged to check out their website at www.nmaz.org. There is a link specific to the fire and a description of the many needs resulting from this catastrophe can be found there. Feel free to look through the website to learn more about how Christ is being brought to the city through this valued ministry partner despite the many challenges confronted there.

THE RWANDA TEAM IS OFFERING THEIR SERVICES, as able-bodied young adults to come and clean house, yard, or whatever you need. They will send 2-3 young men or 2-3 young women to your home to help you with your summer cleaning. The young men are available for yard work, heavy lifting, and for whatever else you might need. The young women will be available for cleaning, organizing, and any other needs they are able to fulfill. Donations will be accepted and all the proceeds will go toward the Rwanda Team Members' fund-raising efforts for their summer mission trip to Rwanda. Please contact Kelly Stewart to let them know how they can serve you: 602-321-6885 or k.stewart@yahoo.com. Do give them a call, they are anxious to serve you, as they strive to raise the funds to finance their mission trip to Rwanda later this summer.

CBC's Missionary Marina Landra is in town!

Opportunities to visit with Marina and learn about God's work being done in Ukraine through the ministry that she and her husband, Doug, carry out:

- **Friday, June 25th Open House** at the home of David and Janet Maddox, 14201 North 54th St., Scottsdale at 7 pm. **If possible please RSVP** 602-953-8097.
- **July 8th – July 11th** she will be at CBC's Family Camp as one of the medical personnel.
- She would love to schedule a time to talk with anyone or any group that would like that opportunity. You can reach her at 480-945-2509.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

that by grace we have been saved through faith. And this is not our own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2: 8 & 9

PRAYER

That God's gift of grace through faith in Jesus Christ will touch, as needed, each life that attends **EXCEL Student Ministries' Summer Camp** this week, and that the same grace would encourage and deepen the faith of those who attend the **Resolved Conference** next weekend – may His work in each individual accomplish His purposes, for their good and His glory; for **Elder Russ Rot** as he undergoes a cardiac catheterization this coming Friday afternoon at Banner Good Samaritan – for the peace of Jesus Christ to cover him and the hands of Christ to guide those of the surgeon and medical team to a successful conclusion and treatable diagnosis.

TO THE ELDERS AND PEOPLE OF CAMELBACK BIBLE CHURCH,

After two years of having no air conditioning in our main sanctuary, Roosevelt Community Church finally has air conditioning, and just in time for summer. We are a very excited and thankful group of people! The Lord was abundantly gracious to us to get us the system we got at a cost far below what we probably should have paid. However, given the size of our church, raising money for the reduced cost of this system was still a daunting obstacle.

The Lord, however, brought Camelback Bible Church alongside us to help. Camelback has been very gracious and generous to our church throughout our history. Your donations towards our AC system are only the most recent example of your grace and generosity. The work at Roosevelt is growing and even thriving, thanks to our Lord and thanks to Camelback's willingness to support the Lord's work at Roosevelt. Thank you so much for your help.

May the Lord continue to bless our partnership in the gospel for His glory and eternal benefit of many in our city.
In Christ, Pastor Vernon Pierre

PRAYER FOR OUR GATHERED WORSHIP: James (5:16b) tells us that "the effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much." Like Elijah, whom James describes as having "a nature like ours" and uses as an example (vv. 17 & 18), we are called to practice our prayers and expect God to answer. Each Sunday we have the opportunity to do this as people gather in the Prayer Room (in the lower level of the Sanctuary next to the elevator entrance) during each morning service to pray for the service that is in progress. **We would welcome more people during each hour.** We welcome you! Please join us as often as you can, during whichever service you don't attend, as we go before the throne of God with the morning services in our arms, seeking His will and His blessings. Contact David Ducharme for more information at dducharme@cox.net.



Hello All,

Praise The Lord! Anthony underwent a completely successful heart surgery on June 8th. God prepared Anthony so well; he was literally at the peak of health for his short life. And his recovery has been amazing. He was actually able to come home on June 15th, just one week from open heart surgery! (The photo is of him on the way home from the hospital..)

Our entire family would like to thank everyone for their PRAYERS! We have about six weeks until he's fully recovered, but he's very strong and it should go well.

Our family knows and appreciates how blessed we are. While we were at St. Joe's we saw many infants and children in dire straits. Please pray for them and the wonderful nurses and doctors who care for them.

Thank you & God bless you,

Al, Chaunacy, Molly & Anthony

CBC GIVING UPDATE

Budgeted Need for 2 nd Quarter	\$401,884
Actual 2 nd Quarter Giving To Date	\$286,726
Remaining Need for 2 nd Quarter	\$115,158
Last Week's Giving	\$ 15,556