

October 16, 2011

INTOUCH

Our Liberating God

By Burk Parsons

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY – OCTOBER 16

12:30 PM	Mentoring Training	209
12:30 PM	Nursing Home Ministry	meet in Fellowship Hall
2:30 PM	Nursing Home Ministry	serve at Osborn Health & Rehabilitation
3:00 PM	A CONCERT OF AMERICAN SONGS	Sanctuary
	<i>with husband and wife, Earl and Alexis Hazell (Bass and Mezzo-soprano)</i>	
4:00 PM	Carol Choir & Bell Canto Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	Girls' Ensemble	203
5:00 PM	Teleios: <i>Who's in Charge Here?</i>	209
6:45-8:30 PM	EXCEL Jr. High Small Group	The Collins' home
6:45-8:30 PM	EXCEL High School Small Groups	The Quick's & Pitrat's homes
6:00 PM	SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER	Library (205)

MONDAY – OCTOBER 17

7:00 AM	Teleios: Women's Prayer & Bible Study	Library (205)
9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – <i>"Kick Boxing"</i>	Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM	Community Bible Study	Fellowship Hall and Classrooms

TUESDAY – OCTOBER 18

9:00 AM	Teleios: Women's Precept Study in <i>Hebrews</i>	207
6:45 PM	<i>GriefShare</i> Recovery Support Group	Library (205)

WEDNESDAY – OCTOBER 19

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – <i>"That's A Stretch"</i>	Fellowship Hall
5:30 PM	Sanctuary Bells	Sanctuary
6:45 PM	LOGOS Kids Club	Classrooms, B'ball Court & Field
6:45 PM	EXCEL Junior High & High School	Fellowship Hall
6:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir	Choir Rehearsal Room
6:45 PM	Teleios: <i>Ecclesiastes</i>	Library (205)
6:45 PM	Teleios: <i>Intentional Spiritual Parenting</i>	Burch Hall, PCDS

THURSDAY – OCTOBER 20

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – <i>"Cirque Du Soleil"</i>	Fellowship Hall
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FRIDAY – OCTOBER 21

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – <i>"Dance It Off"</i>	Fellowship Hall
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SATURDAY – OCTOBER 22

10:30 AM	Messianic Bible Studies	209
6-10 PM	CBC Adults Movie Night Out with Childcare & Cheesecake!	
7:00 PM	Riznica Chamber Choir Concert	Sanctuary

SUNDAY – OCTOBER 23

9:00 and 10:40 AM	MORNING WORSHIP	Sanctuary
	Dr. Tim Savage	

THE PLAN, Part VI

Reclaiming all things for God's glory!
"Christ in Us . . . the Hope of Glory"

9:00 AM	Nursery (birth – 18 months)	301-304
9:00 AM	Children's Discipleship (19 months – gr. 6)	101-103, 201, 203, 206
9:00 AM	Adult Fellowship Classes	208, 209
9:00 AM	Baptism Preparation Class (Grade 4-8)	Library (205)
9/10:40 AM	Teleios: <i>New Life Essentials, Part I</i>	Pastor's Office
10:40 AM	Teleios: <i>Sacred Marriage</i>	
10:40 AM	Nursery (birth – 18 months)	301-304
10:40 AM	Children's Church (19 months – gr. 6)	101-103, 201, 203, 206
10:40 AM	Teleios: <i>"The Plan" Sermon Discussion</i>	Fellowship Hall
10:40 AM	Teleios: <i>Heartfelt Forgiveness</i>	207
10:40 AM	Teleios: <i>Shepherding a Child's Heart</i>	209
12:15 PM	BIBLICAL CONCERT: Harrison Whyte, Violin	Sanctuary
4:00 PM	Carol Choir & Bell Canto Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	Girls' Ensemble	203
5:00 PM	Teleios: <i>Who's in Charge Here?</i>	209
6:00 PM	CORPORATE PRAYER w/ Elder Bill Eaton	Fellowship Hall
6:45-8:30 PM	EXCEL Junior High Small Groups	The Collins' home
6:45-8:30 PM	EXCEL High School Small Groups	The Quick's & Pitrat's homes

Why would anyone love the law of God? Why would we love that which constantly tells us what miserable wretches we are, daily points out all our shortcomings, relentlessly reminds us of all our death-deserving sins, and keeps knocking us down to our knees, leaving us crying out for help?

The truth of the matter is that not just anyone loves the law of God but only those who have been set free by our law-giving, law-keeping, and law-liberating Savior. We love the law of God not because we possess some sort of inherent self-inflicting, self-deprecating sadistic disposition towards our sin but because, in His electing grace, God set His glorious and enduring love upon us, laid His eternal claim upon us, took hold of us and clutched us in His strong hands, and made us His dutiful bondslaves that we might be free to delight in His law (Romans 7:22) and in all the commands of Christ (Matthew 28:20), who by no means abolished the Law but in fact fulfilled it perfectly in our behalf (Matthew 5:17). His death is our life. His fulfillment is our freedom. His duty is our delight.

Our abundant life of freedom in Christ is not simply a freedom to do anything we want to do but to have the uninterrupted, Spirit-sustaining power to do what we know we ought to do as God the Holy Spirit changes our wants and daily transforms our God-given duties into God-glorifying delights. If we are genuinely to cherish the [three] uses of the law, we must first cherish the law itself – not merely as a means to an end but by virtue of its very existence and its authorship. That is to say, we must primarily see the law itself as a gracious gift from our Lord. It's crucial to understand that we don't simply love the law because of what it does for us. We love the law of God because in itself it is precious and altogether lovely (Ps. 119:72). Only from this vantage point of loving the law for what it is will we truly love what the law does for us, to us, and in us.

The Holy Spirit sovereignly uses the law in manifold ways – to teach us about our Creator, to give us a glimpse of His righteousness, holiness, and justice, to restrain our sin and the sin of all people, to reflect our heinous sin in order to give us a glimpse of it, to reveal the narrow road to life as a lamp to our feet and a light to our path, to drive us to our knees in liberating repentance, to cry daily for help, and to lift our eyes to Jesus Christ, the only mediator between God and man, who alone is our righteousness and in whom by faith alone we are perfectly righteous *coram Deo*, before the face of God.

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New Teleios Classes Starting Soon!

Register NOW for great classes beginning this month. Check out our website, www.cbcaz.org/adult/teleios, or pick-up a flier at the Welcome Center or in the church office for details regarding the classes listed below. Registration opportunities remain open for each class, and it's as simple as a phone call to the church office this week.

"New Life Essentials – Part 1" taught by Dave Jones, Sundays, Hour TBD, October 23-December 11, in Pastor Tim's Office: We'll examine the essentials to understanding and growing in your new life in Christ: Who is God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. And we'll look at the role and function of the local church; spiritual gifts, prayer, obedience, and knowing God's will. It's the first of a two-part interactive study you won't want to miss! **This class is especially helpful to new Christians**, but also a worthy review for anyone!

"Generous Justice" by Timothy Keller – Sundays, 10:40am-12:00pm, October 30–December 4, Room 207: Join Pastor James for a six-week journey through this book – a book for believers who find the Bible a trustworthy guide, as well as those who suspect that Christianity is a regressive influence in the world.

JIM AND KAREN FYE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE the marriage of their daughter **Bethany** to Matthew Engel in a church ceremony on October 1st in Flagstaff, Arizona. Many at CBC remember Bethany from her childhood here and were used by God to encourage her in her faith. She and her parents are very grateful! May God bless Bethany and Matthew in their new marriage and may they be reflections of His image as they live their lives together as husband and wife. To God be the glory!

CHILD DEDICATION is scheduled for the Sunday services on **October 23rd**. If you desire to bring your child forward in dedication on the 23rd, **please call the office by Tuesday, October 18th**, and speak to Mary Gayle. It is important to remember that one of two preparations for dedicating a child needs to have taken place: 1) You have previously dedicated a child here at CBC or 2) You have completed the three-session *Parenting Foundations Class I* that is offered several times throughout the course of the year. We look forward to hearing from you and, with you, look forward to the morning of dedication.

FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL, Wednesday, October 26, 6:30-8:30 . . . a **FREE** event! Children's Ministry and EXCEL Student Ministry have partnered to bring you an event for the **WHOLE FAMILY**:

Grade 6 & Younger (with parents) Join us for hayrides, gospel message, bonfire, bounce house, face painting, s'mores and more! Children this age must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult.

7th-12th graders join us for a costume contest, gospel message, games, food and fun! Invite family members, friends, and neighbors as we seek to demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ. Go to <http://bit.ly/pHxLIA> to RSVP. **NOTE: please enter and park on the west side of campus.**

ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL! Please, as you are able, bring one, some, or all of the following to the church office by Sunday, October 23rd and **THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!**

Graham crackers – Marshmallows – Hershey's milk chocolate bars (regular size) – Lemonade mix – Candy – Firewood (Contact Randy Shumate if you are able to donate any firewood: randall.shumate@gmail.com).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL! This Festival is one of our biggest outreach events of the year with over 500 attendees. It takes many volunteers to make it a success. If you'd like to help, please go online to **THE CITY** and check under "Needs" or stop by the sign-up table on the patio. Areas of service are: **Food Court, Registration & Check-In, Set-Up/Tear-Down, and Games & Activities.**

This Afternoon at 3:00 PM
A Concert of American Songs

Earl and Alexis Hazell (Bass and Soprano)
 Presenting the remarkable richness and diversity of American Song!
 No Tickets Required; Free Will Offering

CBC ACT OF GRACE Food Collection Needs October, 2011

Benefiting: Camelback High School – Food Bank
 (Please, normal grocery store sizes, not bulk size)

**Spaghetti Sauce - Breakfast Cereals – Oatmeal
 Ramon – Canned Chicken – Canned Tuna**

Help bless student and families of Camelback High School by filling a bag with the items above. Pick up your food bags today and return them next week prior to the service you attend. Look for the CBC trailer parked by the Sanctuary.

A CBC ADULTS MOVIE NIGHT OUT (with Childcare and Cheesecake)! It's happening this Saturday, October 22nd, from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Cost is only \$6 per ticket but they must be reserved: first come first serve for the 50 tickets available. Free child-care is available for those who sign up early. We're going Arizona Mills in Tempe to see *Courageous*, the new movie produced by Sherwood Pictures about four men – policemen, husbands and fathers – who are challenged to live every aspect of their lives in greater submission to Jesus Christ. Refreshments will be served in Fellowship Hall after the movie for those desiring extended fellowship and conversation. Go on **THE CITY** for more information and to reserve your tickets, or email Pastor Jason at doughty@cbcaz.org. For childcare arrangements you will need to contact Pastor Jason ASAP.

BAPTISM is scheduled for the Sunday services on **November 6th**. All Saints Sunday, a truly meaningful Sunday of gathered worship shared by the family of God called Camelback Bible Church. If God is calling you to follow our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ into the waters of baptism, as He himself commanded, **please call the office ASAP.** An appointment with a pastor will need to be scheduled prior to October 29th. Thank you!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY JACKET DRIVE: Our goal is to collect **100 NEW jackets** for children in need through our partnership with Neighborhood Ministries. To participate, stop by the wardrobe rack that is located outside the classrooms on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. **Final donation days are Wednesday, November 16, and Sunday November 20.** Thanks for helping!

S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! JOKE-A-THON – Please join us for the S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! (Senior Adults In New Testament Service) October Harvest Luncheon on Sunday, October 30th, at 12:15 PM in Fellowship Hall. We will have a wonderful meal consisting of different soups, a garden salad, and great desserts. For entertainment, **we are going to celebrate God's gift of laughter, a treasure in times like these!** So bring your favorite funny story or joke and be prepared to share it with everyone. Prizes will be given for the best joke, best Pastor of Laughter, and some other categories we haven't dreamed up yet.

LADIES, MARK YOUR CALENDARS – 2012 WOMEN'S RETREAT is scheduled for March 2nd-4th. You will *not* want to miss this wonderful weekend of fellowship together! We need your help to make this fabulous event happen. Our first planning committee meeting is on Sunday, October 30th at 2:00 PM in Room 209. If you would like to join us, please contact Tiffany Auger (tiffanyauger@cox.net or 602-748-8551) or Monica McQueen (monica@treschicaz.com or 602-432-5100) – we'd love to have you!

GOSPEL COALITION MINISTRY CONFERENCE AT ROOSEVELT COMMUNITY CHURCH – The first annual "Roots Urban Ministry Conference" will be held at Roosevelt Community Church on Saturday, November 5th from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Guest speakers include Reddit Andrews III, Json (Lampmode Recording artist), Jeff Durbin, Vernon Pierre and Vocab Malone. In partnership with The Gospel Coalition, the conference will focus on how to share the Gospel in an urban context and how to minister to the urban "de-churched". For more information and to register, please visit www.soundandpound.org. Space is limited so sign up soon! Cost: \$20.

CBC GIVING FOR OCTOBER 2011

	Current Month/October	Budgeted YTD
Budget	\$121,842.00	\$ 768,893.00
Giving To Date	\$ 34,710.00	\$ 692,989.00
Last Week's Giving	\$ 15,890.00	\$ 15,890.00
Remaining Need	\$ 87,132.00	\$ 75,904.00