

March 14, 2010

INTOUCH

Youth at Osborn: Bringing Christ to the City

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY – MARCH 14

'til 12:30	Spring Blood Drive	Bloodmobile east of F. Hall
12:30 PM	FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON	Fellowship Hall
	<i>with our guests, the members of the Bethel University Choir</i>	
1:00 PM	Missions Meeting – All invited!	209
	<i>with Cleiton and Ely Oliveira</i>	
3:00 PM	BETHEL CHOIR CONCERT	Sanctuary
	<i>Beautiful Music for a Beautiful Afternoon</i>	
4:00 PM	New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	Carol Choir, Bell Canto Bells & CBC Ringers	206, 207, 208
6:00 PM	Sanctuary Bells (Adults)	208
6:00 PM	Teleios: Discovery III, Finding your place of ministry...	209
6:00 PM	SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER	205

MONDAY – MARCH 15

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Turbo Blast"	Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM	Community Bible Study	F. Hall, 205-207, 209

TUESDAY – MARCH 16

7:00 AM	Teleios Women's Prayer/Study	205
9:00 AM	Teleios Women's Precept Study: James	207
9:15 AM	Teleios Women's Study: The Apostles Creed, Pt. 2	205
6-8:00 PM	9 AM Worship Team practice	Sanctuary
6:45 PM	Teleios: GriefShare – "The Uniqueness of Grief, Pt. 1"	205

WEDNESDAY – MARCH 17

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
6:45 PM	EXCEL Student Ministry (Jr. & Sr. High)	Fellowship Hall
6:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
6:45 PM	Teleios: Simple Answers to Hard Questions	205

THURSDAY – MARCH 18

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Cirque Du Soleil"	Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM	College & 20-Somethings Dinner & Study	Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY – MARCH 19

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Dance It Off"	Fellowship Hall
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SATURDAY – MARCH 20

7:00 PM	Phoenix Chamber Music Society Concert	Sanctuary
	<i>Muir String Quartet</i>	

SUNDAY – MARCH 21

9:00 and 10:40 AM	MORNING WORSHIP	Sanctuary
	Pastor Bill Pinalto	

WHAT I'VE LEARNED FROM MY TIME AT CAMELBACK BIBLE CHURCH

"What Does It Mean To 'Serve In Our World As Christ Served In His'?"

John 4:1-42

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: Lies Women Believe...	Pastor Tim's Office
9:00 AM	Teleios: Being Salt & Light in Contemporary America	207
10:40 AM	Nursery (birth – 23 months)	301-304
10:40 AM	Children's Church (24 mo – grade 6))	101-104, 201, 203, 206
10:40 AM	EXCEL (Jr. High and High School)	Fellowship Hall
10:40 AM	Teleios: Six Steps to Talking About Jesus	208
12:30 PM	Osborn Health & Rehab Ministry meets	Fellowship Hall
2:00 PM	Osborn Health & Rehab Ministry serves	at O.H. & R.
3:00 PM	Mark Dupere Concert – Cello	Sanctuary
4:00 PM	New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells	206, 207
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6:00 PM	CORPORATE PRAYER w/ sister churches	Roosevelt C.C.

I praise God for our EXCEL student's recent experience of bringing Christ to the City, specifically to Osborn Health & Rehab; the site of one of our ongoing CBC Isaiah 58 ministries. I am thankful that they experienced loving the loveless, putting value on those who are not able to help themselves, and sharing the love of Christ with those who are often forgotten.

CBC touches the residents at Osborn twice a month through a worship service that is conducted for the residents and visits that are made to their rooms. Additionally, individuals from CBC are beginning to visit for one hour, once a week, with a resident whom God has laid on their heart. Three of the residents have provided us opportunities to draw them into a deeper, or a new, relationship with Jesus. It is awesome!

And it was two weeks ago that the youth delivered to the residents seventy custom designed vases overlaid with scripture verses, 33 of which were personalized with the resident's names. Each vase was filled with fresh flowers as a reminder of God's grace.

I asked the students to relate their recent experience, asking what it was like bringing Christ to the City.

Harrison Whyte, 13, said, "It's a little bit frightening at first...it's something new and it's a little bit unsettling. It's a little weird to visit people you don't know, who are quite different than you, and being with them. But once you start meeting them, talking with them, then it's better." Harrison continued, "I don't think they really have any other way for Christ to be brought to them other than through people at our church and the other churches. It's good that they can feel Christ's love through us."

Carly Sloan commented, "When you first walk in you get a sense of loneliness, not for me personally, but for the other people. You don't see smiles at first. But then the further you go you get a sense to touch each person. The longer you talk with them, the more their face lights up. They get going, and they love it when you touch them, hold their hand, or give them a hug. It really makes them come out of their shell and smile and feel more comfortable, knowing that these people really do care for them".

Samantha Sloan added, "Senior citizens are just as much a part of the community as teenagers. I met a women named Nan...she was telling me about how much she enjoyed the piano from having played it for years. I play the piano, too, so we had that in common. She was telling me how she gets lonely. Seeing all the kids from EXCEL was a great encouragement to her. It was an encouragement to me...telling them about Christ. It was a great experience, and I definitely want to go again. I want to become more involved in the community through EXCEL in the community."

Carly Sloan commented, "Most of the people are older and don't have visitors. It was really special for them to have younger people visiting them. The comment we heard was, 'it's so nice to see a fresh face.' It made them feel valued that someone took the time to talk to them." Carly continued, "A lot of times witnessing for Christ is geared toward younger people; but older people get forgotten. Jesus doesn't love younger people more than older people. I think it's important to be reaching out to them too."

Harrison commented, "It felt like I had a way to share Christ and share my gift of playing my violin. It's a lot cooler than it seems. It feels like you have more purpose by bringing Christ to them."

Carly added, "I just went with my friend after school and visited her Grandpa in a similar type of facility. And then we went and visited with another person in the facility and had a 45 minute conversation. It just doesn't have to be after church at this one place."

"As a youth pastor the highlight of going to the nursing home was seeing our youth boldly going to different rooms loving the residents, initiating conversations, giving them flowers, and praying for them. This was a great chance to bring Christ to our city." -Brent Klontz

David Haneke

Jesus Christ's Passion



is for God's glory and our good.

HOLY WEEK AT CAMELBACK BIBLE CHURCH

Jesus enters Jerusalem

Palm Sunday, March 28th, 9:00 & 10:40 AM

Jesus serves Passover (The Last Supper)

Maundy Thursday, April 1st, 7:00 PM

Jesus is crucified

Good Friday, April 2nd, 7:00 PM

Jesus' tomb is empty

Sunrise Service, April 4th, 6:30 AM

Jesus is alive!

Resurrection Sunday, April 4th, 9:00 & 10:40 AM

FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT, Saturday, March 27th, 9:00 to 11:00 AM Come join us for a fun Easter Egg Hunt on the CBC grounds. This hunt is just one of the many family events which are designed to reach our City for Christ! So, please invite your friends and neighbors. Our hope is that those who come will taste the love of a Christ-centered community and will be encouraged to join us for our Holy Week services, and be drawn closer and closer to our Lord

"THE GOSPEL OF MARK" – A WELCOME ADDITION to our Holy Week celebration on Palm Sunday, March 28th, 3:00 PM in the CBC Sanctuary: The Camelback Bible Church Creatives Group will be presenting their dramatic interpretation of the Gospel of Mark at 3:00 PM on Palm Sunday afternoon as part of CBC's Celebration of Holy Week. For those who did not see it when first presented in October, this is a fully-memorized ensemble presentation of the exact ESV text of Mark's entire gospel (with a few sections skipped for time). It offers a new and unique perspective on the familiar stories, teachings, and parables, and especially reminds us of the point of view of the disciples who, for most of Jesus' ministry, just didn't get it! The presentation offers an ideal opportunity for invitations to friends and neighbors, whether church or unchurched, and is appropriate for all ages from K through 100+.

RESURRECTION SUNDAY BREAKFAST An added tradition here at CBC on Easter Sunday is the lovely continental buffet served on the upper lawn area near the classrooms from 7:30 to 8:45 AM. It's a perfect opportunity to enjoy a light breakfast with the church family following the Sunrise Service at 6:30 AM (held nearby on the lower lawn by Fellowship Hall) and/or before celebrating our Lord's resurrection at the 9:00 AM or 10:40 AM gathered worship in the sanctuary.

BAPTISM: In recent years, baptism has been one of the glorious elements of our gathered worship on Resurrection Sunday and it is planned to be again this year. Please, if you are Christ's own and not yet baptized, call the office ASAP. A meeting with one of the pastors will need to take place before March 28th. Thank you!

A SERVING IN OUR WORLD OPPORTUNITY - HOLY WEEK NURSERIES

Palm Sunday, March 28, 2:30-4:30 PM (during Gospel of Mark performance)

Maundy Thursday, April 1, 6:30-8:30 PM (Service starts at 7:00 PM)

Good Friday, April 2, 6:30-8:30 PM (Service starts at 7:00 PM)

Easter Sunday, April 4 (for each/both Services, 9:00 and 10:40 AM)

During our Holy Week at CBC we want to provide a place where parents, especially visitors, feel secure about leaving their children. The nursery not only needs to provide a safe, secure and fun place for the children, it needs to stimulate our spirit to serve God by serving the people Jesus wanted around Him, our children. These children are a blessing not only to their parents, but to all who serve them. Consider signing up as a family or small group. Please contact Carmen Benford at 480-831-5059 or cbenford4@cox.net if you would like to serve. Thank you; your gift of service will be greatly appreciated!

"OUR OWN" MARK DUPERE IN CONCERT!

Next Sunday, March 21st, 3:00 PM in the Sanctuary

With all of the CBC family and other Phoenix friends in mind, Mark is bringing along his cello when he comes into town for the wedding of his close friend, David Martens. It's an opportunity to see Mark again after a nine year absence and enjoy the musical gift with which God has blessed him. Mark was an integral part of our CBC family from his birth through his high school graduation and returns as he is concluding three years of post-graduate work in cello performance at the Royal Conservatory in the Hague, Netherlands. As it works out, his father, our former pastor of music & worship, will be here as well! All our invited – plan to come and catch up with (come to meet) this fine young man.



CORPORATE PRAYER: Come join our sister churches (Roosevelt Community Church and Way of Grace) for a time of corporate prayer for our continued outreach to the Valley, especially during the Easter season. We will be meeting at Roosevelt Community Church (SW corner of 1st Street and Roosevelt in downtown Phoenix) at 6 PM on Sunday, March 21. You will be much encouraged as you hear what God is doing through our sister churches and have the opportunity to lift our voices together to the Lord of the harvest. — Pastor Ron

PLEASE LIFT IN PRAYER: for Rick Huisman whose eye has not healed as hoped, following the surgery needed after an industrial accident blew metal shards into his eye. Another surgery took place this week with the goal of saving some vision. Pray for better than hoped for results and calm on the home front as five young sons (newborn to 7 years) and their mom, Prisilla, deal with Rick's need to lie low and move as little as possible; Mark and Paulette Stravitz, each recovering from surgery – his on the knee, hers on the back. We praise God for Jim Hawthorne's successful thyroid surgery and benign lab results; and we give God all praise for the improvement in tiny Anthony Armstrong, whose source of breathing difficulties was NOT his heart, but a virus now on the mend.

EXCITING SHORT-TERM MISSION TRIPS THIS SUMMER! And one of the spots may be just for you! Teams heading out this summer are going to Ukraine (dates to be announced), Rwanda (August 1-15), and Asia (August 8-22). What amazing opportunities these are for expanding one's Christian world-view, literally, by way of personal contact with another part of our world and through the sharing of the Lord's love with those of another culture. For more information, contact Becca Devereaux, Missions Intern, at 602-820-7676 or bdevereaux@camelbackbible.org. Additionally, an informational meeting will be held on March 22 at 7:00 PM in Room 201. The deadline for applying is Easter Sunday, April 4th.

VBS – SERVICE OPPORTUNITY! We invite you to join this year's VBS team! Each year, over 100 CBCer's volunteer for, and over 200 children attend, VBS. Many of these children don't know Christ, making VBS the major Children's Ministry outreach into our community each year. There are many ways to volunteer, including: Classroom (teaching), Admin/Office Work, Crafts, Decorations, Music, Recreation & Snacks. Please consider prayerfully whether God would have you serve. If you are interested in serving, please contact Pastor Jason at 602-955-6370, ext. 106 or doughy@camelbackbible.org. Thank you!

EXCEL SUMMER CAMP – SAVE THE DATE! We look forward to our time way together at summer camp, June 20-25, at Forest Home in California.

AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST, we are all called to be salt and light in the world around us. That world, however, is rapidly changing, and we need to understand it if we are to be effective witnesses. A 6-week course being offered, beginning next Sunday, March 21st at the 9:00 AM hour, in Room 207, will investigate the implications for Christian outreach arising from modern American culture in light of foundational biblical concepts regarding evangelism. This class, "Being Salt and Light in Contemporary America" led by Malcolm Hartnell, had a great run during the 10:40 hour in January/February and is now being repeated during the 9:00 hour for those who attend the 10:40 service. To register, call the office by the deadline of 4:00 PM this Wednesday, March 17th.

CBC GIVING UPDATE

Budgeted Need for First Quarter	\$333,360
Actual Giving To Date	\$214,892
Remaining Need for First Quarter	\$118,468
Last Week's Giving	\$19,561