

August 22, 2010

# The Faith to Persevere

**“Because you have kept My command to persevere . . . “**  
**Revelation 3:10**

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY – AUGUST 22

12:15 PM LOGOS – All Staff Meeting & Potluck Fellowship Hall  
12:15 PM Current & Potential Small Group Leader Luncheon 209  
12:15-12:45 **BIBLICAL CONCERT SERIES** Sanctuary  
**Elizabeth Buss on the Piano**

**A concert offered to God for His glory,  
and we have the privilege of listening in!**

6:00 PM EXCEL High School Fellowship Hall  
6:00 PM SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER Library (205)

### MONDAY – AUGUST 23

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – “Kick Boxing” Fellowship Hall  
6:30 PM **Teleios: Biblical Financial Study (Crown)** The Bonetto's

### TUESDAY – AUGUST 24 PRIMARY ELECTIONS – BE SURE TO VOTE!

NOTICE: The Women's Prayer/Study held previously on Tuesday mornings at 7:00 AM will move to Monday mornings beginning next Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 AM in The Family Room

### WEDNESDAY – AUGUST 25

9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – “That's A Stretch” Fellowship Hall  
5:30 PM Elder Prayer Sr. Pastor's Office  
6:15 PM LOGOS Club registration  
6:30-8:15 **LOGOS Club Hot Dog Kickoff Party** Courtyard

Tonight is for the WHOLE FAMILY!

A tasty hot dog dinner & fun time getting acquainted with LOGOS staff,  
other clubbers and their families

6:45 PM **EXCEL Jr. High and High School** Fellowship Hall  
Campus Kickoff Fight Night

Invite friends along for a great evening of fun & introduction to EXCEL!

6:45 PM Sanctuary Choir begins rehearsals Choir Room

### THURSDAY – AUGUST 26

Noon Pastor-Elder Retreat begins Francisco Grande  
9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – “Cirque Du Soleil” Fellowship Hall  
6:30 PM College & 20-Somethings Dinner/Study Fellowship Hall

### FRIDAY – AUGUST 27

Continues Pastor-Elder Retreat Francisco Grande  
9:00 AM Women's Aerobics – “Dance It Off” Fellowship Hall

### SATURDAY – AUGUST 28

Noon Pastor-Elder Retreat concludes Francisco Grande

### SUNDAY – AUGUST 29

9:00 and 10:40 AM Prayer for Worship Services Prayer Room  
9:00 and 10:40 AM MORNING WORSHIP Sanctuary  
Dr. Tim Savage  
begins a new series:

**Crucified WITH Christ, Raised WITH Christ**  
**“New Life”**

Galatians 2:20; 2 Corinthians 5:17

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 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. – gr. 6) 101-104, 201, 203, 206  
12:15 PM S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! Luncheon Fellowship Hall

With special guests Keith and Ann Edwards  
sharing with us their personal testimonies and stories

6:00 PM EXCEL High School Fellowship Hall  
6:00 PM SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER Library (205)

with special guests Tom and Lucy Blanchard

their final time with us before they return to their mission field in France

Perseverance means more than endurance—more than simply holding on until the end. A saint's life is in the hands of God like a bow and arrow in the hands of an archer. God is aiming at something the saint cannot see, but our Lord continues to stretch and strain, and every once in a while the saint says, “I can't take any more.” Yet God pays no attention; He goes on stretching until His purpose is in sight, and then He lets the arrow fly. Entrust yourself to God's hands. Is there something in your life for which you need perseverance right now? Maintain your intimate relationship with Jesus Christ through the perseverance of faith. Proclaim as Job did, “Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him” (Job 13:15).

Faith is not some weak and pitiful emotion, but is strong and vigorous confidence built on the fact that God is holy love. And even though you cannot see Him right now and cannot understand what He is doing, you know *HIM*. Disaster occurs in your life when you lack the mental composure that comes from establishing yourself on the eternal truth that God is holy love. Faith is the supreme effort of your life—throwing yourself with abandon and total confidence upon God.

God ventured His all in Jesus Christ to save us, and now He wants us to venture our all with total abandoned confidence in Him. There are areas in our lives where that faith has not worked in us as yet—places still untouched by the life of God. There were none of those places in Jesus Christ's life, and there are to be none in ours. Jesus prayed, “This is eternal life, that they may know You. . .” (John 17:3). The real meaning of eternal life is a life that can face anything it has to face without wavering. If we will take this view, life will become one great romance—a glorious opportunity of seeing wonderful things all the time. God is disciplining us to get us into this central place of power.

— Oswald Chambers

Oswald Chambers (1874-1917) was born July 24, 1874 in Aberdeen, Scotland. Converted in his teen years under the ministry of Charles Haddon Spurgeon, he studied art and archaeology at the University of Edinburgh before answering a call from God to the Christian ministry. He then studied theology at Dunoon College. From 1906-10 he conducted an itinerant Bible-teaching ministry in the United States, United Kingdom, and Japan. In 1910 he married Gertrude Hobbs. They had one daughter, Kathleen.

In 1911 he founded and became principal of the Bible Training College in Clapham, London where he lectured until the school was closed in 1915 because of World War I. In October 1915, he sailed to Zeitoun, Egypt (near Cairo), where he ministered to Australian and New Zealand troops as a YMCA chaplain. He died there November 15, 1917, following surgery for a ruptured appendix.

Although Oswald Chambers wrote only one book, *Baffled to Fight Better*, more than thirty titles bear his name. With this one exception (*My Utmost for His Highest*), published works were compiled by Mrs. Chambers, a court stenographer, from her verbatim shorthand notes of his messages taken during their seven years of marriage. For half a century following her husband's death she labored to give his words to the world.

*My Utmost for His Highest*, his best-known book, has been continuously in print in the United States since 1935 and in this, the last decade of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, remains in the top ten title of the religious book bestseller list with millions of copies in print. It has become a Christian classic. [The piece used here today is the May 8<sup>th</sup> reading of this classic.]

**CONGRATULATIONS** are extended from the CBC family to Mark and Catherine Phillips on the birth Thursday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, of Samuel Gordon, their second son and third child. Catherine and Samuel (who arrived at 8 pounds 14 ounces) are doing great and all are thrilled with this marvelous gift from God. To Him be the glory!

**TODAY IS THE FINAL DAY** to register for the "Crown Financial Ministries Biblical Financial Study." This excellent 10-week in-depth Bible Study, looking at the Bible's blueprint for managing your finances, conveys the profound impact that managing your money has on your relationship with God. Taught by Tom Bonetto in the Bonetto's home (Central Avenue and Thunderbird), it will be held on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 PM, beginning tomorrow night, August 23<sup>rd</sup> through November 1<sup>st</sup>. Sign-up at the table on the patio or by contacting Tom at [tbonetto@cox.net](mailto:tbonetto@cox.net) or 602-358-8138.

**A LIMITED NUMBER OF VOTER GUIDES (2010 Primary Election)** are available in the narthex and in the office. Published by Center for Arizona Policy, this non-partisan survey includes the positions of each candidate on a number of issues. The same survey (personalized with only the candidates who will appear on your ballot) is available online at [azvoterguide.com](http://azvoterguide.com). As stewards of our citizenship, voting is both a privilege and a responsibility. May we be good stewards! **The important primary election is this Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>** and the general election is on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**OUR SANCTUARY CHOIR** begins rehearsals this **Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**. Any and all who have an interest in joining this vibrant music ministry plan to come on the 25<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsals are held every Wednesday evening from 6:45 to 8:15 PM in the Choir Rehearsal Room behind the chancel in the Sanctuary. More information about the Music Ministry at CBC and the Sanctuary Choir is available online at [www.cbcaz.org/choirs](http://www.cbcaz.org/choirs). For further information, please give Pastor Tom Bookhout a call in the church office, 602-955-6370.

**LOGOS KIDS CLUB** for all 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders is held on Wednesday evenings, from 6:45 to 8:15 PM, and is scheduled this coming year to meet from August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to May 4, 2011. Can your children tell you who Jesus Christ is? Do their lives reveal the impact that only Jesus can have? Are they confident in Christ? Do they share Him with their friends? LOGOS Kids Club helps you to present your child: "Complete in Christ." LOGOS is also a great way to invite your friends and neighbors to church, so be sure to spread the word. Join us for our **LOGOS Hot Dog Kick-Off Party on Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:15 PM**, in the courtyard between Fellowship Hall and the classrooms (registration/check-in begins at 6:15 PM). This first Club night is for the WHOLE FAMILY! We'll have a tasty hot dog dinner and a fun time of getting to know the LOGOS staff and other clubbers and their families. **Registration:** [www.cbcaz.org/logos](http://www.cbcaz.org/logos). **Cost:** \$15/child (\$30 maximum/family), includes a Club T-shirt, awards and handbook.

**JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL EXCEL — CAMPUS KICKOFF "FIGHT NIGHT" OUTREACH EVENT** is this Wednesday night, August 25<sup>th</sup>, from 6:45 to 8:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. (*This week only, no small groups for high schoolers.*) Bring your friends and join us for a great night of inflatable boxing ring, boxing-themed costumes, Gospel and good food – free pizza included!

**THE S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! (55+) QUARTERLY LUNCHEON** will be held next Sunday August 29, 2010 at 12:15 in Fellowship Hall following the second worship service. CBC Elder and Harvest staff member Keith Edwards and his wife Ann will be our featured guests. Join us for this wonderful opportunity to hear Keith and Ann's personal testimonies and stories!

**PARENTS: WATCH FOR WORD** on the start of Children's & Youth Choirs, including Bell Choirs. Announcements will be made soon!

PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP  
with Tom & Lucy Blanchard  
Sunday, August 29, 6:00 PM  
Library (205)

Sadly, it's time to bid farewell to Tom and Lucy who soon head back to France.

Do come and share your prayers & your love with this dear couple.

#### PRaise

for the reports of successful surgery and good results for **Dustin Grace, Paul Van Liew, and Hank Martin**; for the ministry of **Team Rwanda**.

#### PRayer

for **Tony and Darlene Danninger**, Tony suffering acutely with what appears to be diverticulitis and Darlene diagnosed with SEVERE brittle bones – wisdom for the doctors caring for them and for God's comforting and healing touch.

**THE CBC PRAYER CHAIN** reminds the CBC family, that prayer requests can be submitted at any time of the day or night to [prayerchain3900@gmail.com](mailto:prayerchain3900@gmail.com). And, please, anyone who would like to join this all-important prayer team, make your desire known by contacting this same email address. Thank you!

**A REQUEST FROM TERRI SLOAN**, on behalf of Paul and Naomi Van Liew: Terri asks that the CBC family go through her to communicate with Paul and Naomi. She is seeking to relieve her mom and dad of anything above and beyond their focus on Paul's recovery, and give them the peace and quiet so important to them both right now. Terri's phone numbers are 602-368-8524 and 602-315-5193 and her email is [jr.sloan@cox.net](mailto:jr.sloan@cox.net).

**SMALL GROUP LEADER TRAINING SEMINAR coming next month!** Please mark your calendars for **Friday night, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>** for an in-town small group leader training intensive! We will have a fun-filled equipping time on how we will structure our small groups and ministry Christ effectively in these groups. This event is for all small group leaders and those interested in leading a small group. RSVP by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> to James Hoxworth at [hoxworth@camelbackbible.org](mailto:hoxworth@camelbackbible.org).

**WE HAVE COME ALONGSIDE** a single mom and her teenage daughter to help them get back on their feet. Now in an apartment, the mom is two weeks into a new job and the daughter is attending a new high school. This is the best life has looked in a very long time! We can still help in that their apartment is unfurnished and they have no furniture or household items, having lost everything but clothing, personal items, and keepsakes in a devastating flood. They need everything! Beds (twin or full) might be the first priority. Please call Mary Gayle in the office for what is needed and know that used/2<sup>nd</sup> hand items would be greatly appreciated!

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**DEAR CAMELBACK FAMILY . . .** Because you have shared in the lives of Gene and Hope Decker by your friendship and love, their family invites you to join in the celebration of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary at a luncheon reception to be held in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, following the 10:40 AM service. Please no gifts, just the blessing of your presence. Please RSVP by September 17<sup>th</sup> to Peg Miller, 480-948-6780. [Gene, uses a walker, and he and Hope sit at the end of the front middle pew – their actual anniversary was on July 8<sup>th</sup>; this celebration needed to come later per the request of their son and daughter, Lance and Faith.]

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A WONDERFUL FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT** at the Diamondbacks game on Friday, September 24, at 6:40 PM. The Diamondbacks will be playing the LA Dodgers. After the game there will be testimonies from the players and a concert by **Jeremy Camp**. This will be an amazing night and tickets are just \$10!!! Please call or email Jeanne Bookhout to reserve your tickets, 602-957-0215 or [jbookhout@camelbackbible.org](mailto:jbookhout@camelbackbible.org). This will be a fun night to invite friends and families to, especially those who need to hear about Jesus and His love for us.

#### CBC GIVING UPDATE

Budgeted Need for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	\$370,400
Actual 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Giving To Date	\$184,011
Remaining Need for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	\$186,389
Last Week's Giving	\$45,812