

January 8, 2012

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State of the Church

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY – JANUARY 8

12:30 AM	Missions Team Meeting	Library (205)
5:30-7 PM	Handbell Workshop with Kay Cook	208
	Both experienced and novice bell ringers welcome!	
6:00 PM	SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER	Library (205)
6:45-8:30 PM	EXCEL Jr. High Small Group	The Collins' home 4219 North 33 rd Street, Phoenix
6:45-8:30 PM	EXCEL High School Small Groups	
	9 th & 10 th Grade	The Statezny's home 2252 North 44 th Street, #1088, Phoenix
	11 th & 12 th Grade	The Pitrat's home 4119 East Oak Street, Phoenix

MONDAY – JANUARY 9

7:00 AM	Teleios: Women's Prayer & Bible Study	Library (205)
9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Kick Boxing"	Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM	Job Transition Workshop	Sanctuary Hospitality Center
7:00 PM	Community Bible Study	Fellowship Hall and Classrooms

TUESDAY – JANUARY 10

9:00 AM	Teleios: Women's Precept Study in Hebrews	207
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WEDNESDAY – JANUARY 11

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "That's A Stretch"	Fellowship Hall
5:30 PM	Sanctuary Bells	Sanctuary
6:45 PM	LOGOS Kids Club	Classrooms, Courtyard, 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>How People Change</i>	Sanctuary Hospitality Center

THURSDAY – JANUARY 12

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Cirque Du Soleil"	Fellowship Hall
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FRIDAY – JANUARY 13

9:00 AM	Women's Aerobics – "Dance It Off"	Fellowship Hall
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SATURDAY – JANUARY 14

10:30 AM	Messianic Bible Studies	209
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SUNDAY – JANUARY 15

(Be sure to plan your route around the P.F. Chang Marathon being run this day!)

9:00 and 11:00 AM	MORNING WORSHIP	Sanctuary
	Dr. Tim Savage	

GOSPEL FOR LIFE

"The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment"

Philippians 4:10-13

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
10:15-11 AM	EXCEL Youth Connection	Fellowship Hall
	Kick-off Pancake Breakfast	
11:00 AM	Nursery (birth – 18 months)	301-304
11:00 AM	Children's Church (19 months – gr. 6)	101-103, 201, 203, 206
11:00 AM	Teleios: <i>Doing the Right Thing</i>	208
11:00 AM	Teleios: <i>Parenting Foundations I</i>	205
4:00 PM	Carol Choir & Bell Canto Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	New Song Singers & Campanitas Bells	206, 207
5:00 PM	CBC Ringers	208
6:00 PM	SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER	Library (205)
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In preparation for growing "Upward and Outward" in 2012

How we are responding to God's invitation to Bring Christ to the City and the City to Christ?

About a year ago, in March, we were given a commitment card to complete, identifying 3 areas of response to God's invitation. Those areas were **Family, Outreach, and Generosity**. As we review this past year let's ask ourselves, have we . . . have I . . . "caught His vision"? Are we as a church family headed positively into 2012?

Family: (Increasing spiritual growth among the CBC family), Compare 2010/2011

- 15 in 2010 / 20 in 2011 — # of neighborhood community groups
- 40 in 2010 / 42 in 2011 — # of Teleios classes completed
- 186 in 2010 / 231 in 2011 — # of Teleios attendees
- 453 in 2010 / 481 in 2011 — average in regular Sunday worship
- 33 in 2010 / 24 in 2011 — # of new CBC members in 2011

Outreach (expanding the reach of Christ through CBC) Note: Many of these were new in 2011. They were funded in part by splitting the mission budget between international and local plus the efforts of our neighborhood community groups.

- 10 New opportunities for church-wide and individual community service (e.g. projects for Creighton School District, food pantry for Camelback High School, packaging food for the hungry, mentoring, tutoring)
- Continuing and expanded service through church and community involvement in VBS, Logos, GriefShare, Osborn Health and Rehab, Neighborhood Ministries, and 1-1 assistance to individuals
- In 2011, 348 visitor gift bags were given to guests on Sundays

Generosity (Expending time, talent and finances in gratitude for God's blessings).

- 511 in 2010 / 490 in 2011 — # of individual donors
- \$1,641,560 in 2010 / \$1,417,086 in 2011 — Giving to the General Fund
- \$77,399 in 2010 / \$85,767 in 2011 — Giving to the Benevolent Fund
- \$10,500 in 2010 / \$1,154,207 in 2011 — Building fund

Conclusion: The stewardship committee, the pastors and the elders are utilizing this data to assist in planning the fiscal budget and affirming the vision He has given us. All of us are asked to prayerfully prepare for our continued or increased commitment in these areas for 2012. May the Holy Spirit be our guide as we seek His direction. Consider the immeasurable blessings we have already received from Him. This is our time to show our gratitude by continuing to trust and obey!

Respectfully in anticipation for more growth "Upward and Outward".

Sandra Cook for the Stewardship Committee.

Next week we will further define the Lord's vision for our CBC Family as we envision it for 2012

TELEIOS CLASSES BEGINNING THIS WEEK!

Check out/sign up for these great classes at the table in our hospitality area or go on line for more detailed information, www.cbcaz.org/adult/teleios, and call the office to register for this great way to begin this New Year!

Monday, January 9

Women's Prayer and Bible Study

7:00 AM, Library (205), Weekly, led by Susan Manor

Tuesday, January 10

Precept (Women): Hebrews, Part II (Chapters 5-13)

9:00-11:30 AM, Room 207, led by Nancy Whalen & Karen Kelly

Wednesday, January 11

How People Change

6:45 PM, Hospitality Center, led by Pastor Ron

Sunday, January 15

Doing the Right Thing

11:00 AM, Room 208, led by Tom Delnoce

Discovery the Power of Generosity (Women)

9:15 AM, Library (205), 2nd Sunday of the month, led by Sharon Moore

Parenting Foundations I

(Previously the Child Dedication Class)

11:00 AM, Library (205), led by Pastor Ron, Pastor Jason and Carmen Benford

(This class is required in preparation for first-time child dedication)

OUR SANCTUARY CHOIR has been on a brief break following their many offerings of music throughout this Advent/Christmas season but is looking forward to **resuming rehearsals this Wednesday evening, January 11th**. Director Tom Bookhout and the choir members encourage any and all who have a voice to sing and a heart to join them to come to the Choir Room (located in lower level of the Sanctuary, behind the chancel) at 6:45 PM on the 11th. If there are any questions, please call Tammie Valencia in the church office, 602-955-6370.

SEEKING EMPLOYMENT? In recent times more than a few of us have experienced the loss of employment and would love some help in meeting the challenge of searching for a job. Tomorrow evening is the first of six sessions of our newly offered **Job Transition Workshop**, brought to us by our own Barbara Helstrom who brings over 25 years of senior level executive search experience in the corporate world to share with us. This workshop is being offered to help you sharpen and build tools and skills for your personal job search. To register, please email your name, email address & phone to jobtransitionworkshop@camelbackbible.org.

S.A.I.N.T.S. ALIVE! (the 55 and over ministry within our church family) is sponsoring an outing to Organ Stop Pizza (1149 East Southern Ave., Mesa AZ) on Saturday, January 14, 2012. Plan on arriving there about 1:00 PM. The doors will open for our group at 1:15 PM with a special concert just for us (and another senior adult group from another local church) beginning at 1:30 PM. For those who want to share a ride, there will be some carpools leaving from our church at 12:00 PM. The cost for the event will be \$10.00 a person and will include a salad and all you can eat pizza and drinks (tea, sodas, coffee). Sign-ups (and money collection) are being held today, January 8th, at the kiosk on the patio. Please feel free to invite a friend to enjoy Christian Fellowship with the family of God and make some good memories to start the New Year. Questions? Feel free to call Jim & Susan Hawthorne at 480-661-7568 or email them at jrhhomeoffice@cox.net.

FRANCIS CHAN, best-selling author of *Crazy Love* and *Forgotten God*, host of the BASIC series, will speak at Grand Canyon University Arena on Friday, January 20th at 7:30 PM. Tickets, \$10, will be available in our office this Wednesday January 11th. The night of the event you will be able to enter the arena before the general public and select your seating. The band Rend Collective Experiment will be performing.

ALL JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS! SAVE THE DATE! Our Winter Retreat is scheduled for February 17-20, 2012. Mark your calendars now! Our theme is **BORN IDENTITY** and we have the distinct pleasure of having Jason Fischer, High School Pastor for Scottsdale Bible Church, along with us to help us discover the surpassing identity we have in Christ. Sign up by January 22nd at www.cbcaz.org/excel.

VERY IMPORTANT!

Next Sunday, January 15, 2012

is the Annual P.F. Chang Rock'n'Roll Marathon and Half-Marathon

That means there will be road closures that impact many of our church family – closing off normal routes to the church. This is particularly true for those living south of Camelback Road and those within the circle route of the half-marathon taking place in Scottsdale/Tempe. This morning's bulletin insert and the following website (www.runrocknroll.competitor.com/arizona/road-closures) will give you a map of the two routes and a listing of the street closings. Reaching the church should be possible for everyone, including those who live within the half-marathon route, if you plan a route in advance and, where necessary, leave early enough. The best general advice is to plan a route that takes you by freeway (the 51 or 101) north to Glendale Road/Lincoln Blvd. and come south to the church.

It's very "do-able" – some changes in the routes this year might help!

THANK YOU to all who donated items for the Rummage Sale last weekend. We raised \$610 to go toward the short-term mission's trip to Uganda. Susan Nsubuga

DISCOVERY II, our next step in the membership process, will be held on four consecutive Sundays beginning on January 22 and ending on February 12. **Any and all who have attended the Discovery I session are eligible to attend**, whether intending to pursue membership or not. Plan now to come to this deeper look into the role of God's church and your role within the church – God's family, Christ's body here on earth! **Please call the office by Monday, January 16th to let us know of your coming.** We do need to know for purposes of advance preparations. We look forward to hearing from you!

THE RESPONSE TO THE ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS MINISTRY was truly overwhelming! We want to thank everyone who provided 200 delightful gifts for Angel Tree children and 45 Fry's gift cards for the caretakers. We also are thankful for the large team of volunteers who called families to get information for the tags, sorted gifts, wrapped (bagged gifts), provided food for the party, drove families to the party, assisted in the kitchen, attended the party, interacted with the families, and delivered gifts to the families who were unable to attend the party. Special thanks to the following who accepted leadership roles: Ann Edwards who planned the delightful program for the party, Mardette Hemann who handled food planning and kitchen, Cathy Jones Benson who supervised gift wrapping (bagging), Marlene Delnoce who coordinated gift delivery, Janet Heaton who assisted with paperwork, and David Haneke who assisted with outdoor party decorations, lighting and signage. In addition, we thank our wonderful office staff and facilities team who assisted in ways too numerous to list.

Our Angel Tree Ministry Team (Winkie & Zena Schwartz, Kai & Adam Reeder, Nancy Baldwin)

OUR GRAPEFRUIT PICKING MINISTRY to provide fruit for families within the Navajo Nation in northern Arizona has been rescheduled for Saturday, January 21st, from 9:00 AM to Noon. We had to cancel in early December because the fruit hadn't ripened in time. ALL are welcome – singles, couples, families! If you have a friend who would enjoy this fun outdoor project, please bring them. We meet at the home of Heidi Vucurevich, 3637 East Colter (four blocks north of the light at 36th Street and Camelback). Dress in comfortable layers with long sleeves and bring sunglasses to protect your eyes, and gloves, rakes and citrus pickers if you have them. And do bring appetites: we'll be serving breakfast, snacks and lunch!

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 4-8 will be held Sundays February 5, 12, and 19 from 11:00 AM to 12:15 PM in the Library (Room 205). Taught by Pastor Jason Doughty, this class explores what it means to be a Christian and what it means to be baptized, with the intention of preparing students for this demonstration of their faith. Because a parent's understanding of baptism and of their child's spiritual life is vital in determining a child's readiness to be baptized, **we require that on parent attend with their child.** If this isn't possible, arrangement should be made for another adult to fill this important role. Contact Renee in the office to enroll your child, renee@camelbackbible.org or 602-955-6370, Ext. 106.

TWO OF OUR YOUNG FRIENDS WILL BE IN TOWN performing in next week's Arizona Bach Festival. Mark Dupere and his bride, Emily, will be in Phoenix playing in the Festival Orchestra's performance, along with our own Guy Whatley, on Thursday night, January 12, at Central United Methodist Church, 1875 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, at 7:30 PM. The evening's program includes Violin Concerto in A Minor (Emily is soloist) and Brandenburg Concerto 5, Orchestral Suite 1. Tickets are \$25 (\$20 for senior and students) and may be purchased online at www.arizonabachfestival.org/tickets.