

## A CALL TO ACTION

An unknown author wrote: "What makes the 12-step program so effective despite vague or even antagonistic notions of God? To a large degree, it is the *fellowship* of addicts or alcoholics, who walk together, and battle together against a common enemy. They develop transformative friendships based not on doing fun things together or sharing common amusements, but on the growth and development of virtue. They form and foster deep, meaningful, lasting friendships that pursue the good of others through the growth of good habits, patterns and behaviors.

Here's the thing: Addicts are not transformed by learning facts. They do not find freedom by acquiring and applying abstract principles, at least not *only* principles. They find freedom by surrounding themselves with a community of people who are pursuing the same goal and who will pursue it with them arm-in-arm. They see the principles lived out in others, and learn to imitate them.

Every church is a community of recovering sin-addicts, fellow sufferers who are longing for freedom. Freedom comes through principle taught *and* principle displayed. Who needs to hear you say, 'Walk with me? Let's learn to be like Christ...'"

Those observations define what our T-groups (Transformation groups) are all about. We can't, and God never intended for us to live the Christian life alone. We are not born in isolation, we are born into a family, and likewise we are not born again in isolation, we are born again into a family which is the church.

The principles, the truth from God's Word is heard from the sermons, other teachings, and our own personal study of it. But its truth can only be lived out with the support and encouragement of others. That is why we strongly encourage each one to be a part of one of our T-groups.

Our T-groups officially begin again the week of September 10. Please contact me if you are not yet a part of a group!

*May God's work be seen in 2017!*

*Pastor Jack*

### Worship Services

Saturday 5:30 pm, Nursery and Children's Classes

Sunday 9:00 am and 10:30 am

Sunday School for ages 3-adult at 9:00 am

Nursery at both services



September 4  
Labor Day

September 7  
Baby Shower

September 8  
"Guess Who's Coming to Dinner!"

September 9  
Men's Breakfast

September 10  
Church Membership Meeting

Sept. 11/ 12  
"The Amazing Collection" Bible Studies Begin

September 17  
AWANA Conference

September 23  
OASIS!



## Guess Who's Coming to Dinner! Friday, September 8

"Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" is a fun adult activity to get to know others from our church family, couples or singles. People sign up either for a salad, a main course, a dessert or to be a host home (provide drinks & bread). Everyone who is not a host, come to the church at 5:45 pm on September 8 to get destination information (bring your food with you), then go to the host home and enjoy an evening of fellowship. Questions, call Donna Koslowsky, 266-5731 or 267-7514. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, September 3.

### Church Membership Meeting

All Cornerstone Church members are encouraged to attend this meeting on Sunday, September 10 at 6:00 p.m. to vote on the purchase of land. Call the church office if you are a member and did not receive a packet of information.



- ◆ "Building Your Marriage to Last" is a new adult Sunday School class starting September 10 at 9 am. It will be taught by Ken & Peg Reed.
- ◆ OASIS is coming September 23 from noon-2:00 p.m. What is OASIS? Watch the bulletin and read Psalm 92:12-15.



## CORNERSTONE MEN "Be The Man God Intends"

**BREAKFAST** at 8 am, Saturday, September 9. Steve Dobos will be speaking. All men and boys welcome!

### BIBLE STUDY

"The Amazing Collection: The Bible, Book by Book"

This study, taught by Pastor Jace, will be on Monday evenings at the church beginning September 11, 6:30-8 pm, nursery & children's program up to age 10. Cost is \$20, scholarships available.

#### Bible Studies:

Tuesdays, 5:15 pm, Ron Gibson's office, 1705 E. 12th

Wednesdays, 6:00 am at Perkins



Trek and Journey 24/7, Wednesdays, 4:45-5:45 p.m.  
Cubbies, Sparks, T&T Clubs, Wednesdays, 6-7:45 p.m.

#### Theme Nights:

September 27 - "Crazy Shoe Night" - wear the craziest shoes you can run games in!

AWANA Conference  
College Heights Baptist Church  
Sunday, September 17, 6:3-9:00 pm

## Women's Ministry

### BABY SHOWER



Thursday, September 7 at 6:30 pm at the church for Hannah Cloud and Sandra Larson (both expecting a boy) and Hannah Fuhrman (4 month old son Kian). All ladies welcome!

### FALL BIBLE STUDY

"The Amazing Collection: The Bible, Book by Book"

This study will be held on Monday evenings (6:30-8 pm, nursery/children's program up to age 10) and Tuesday mornings (9-11 am, nursery, preschool, homeschool class) beginning September 11 & 12. Cost is \$20, scholarships available. Call Brenda, 277-7006 or Jodi, 267-1574 with questions.

The crisp air of fall is on its way with yellow and orange trees and sweaters coming off the hangers. Watching the seasons change is a beautiful experience. It is a reminder of God being in control, that He holds everything together. Along with that, school starts back up. In the midst of the excitement, families face plenty of pressure through the school year. Here at Cornerstone, our ministry to kids and their families is centered around the transformative work of Jesus in our lives. In our weekend kids ministry, we aim to create an environment that welcomes all kids, that emphasizes the grace of God, and equips kids to follow Jesus in the world.

We are in need of people who are ready to come along side the youngest generation to teach and show them what it means to follow Jesus. It is a battle, and I ask you to prayerfully consider signing on to serve in our kids ministry. Please go to the webpage, [www.cornerstonefree.org/children](http://www.cornerstonefree.org/children) and fill out the interest form located through the link at the bottom of the page.

Parents, if you have any suggestions of how we can better serve you as you disciple your children, please let me know. It is a joy and an honor to serve your children.

For the King, Pastor Matt

## CORNERSTONE NEWS



Congratulations to Andrew & Allie Belveal who were united in marriage on August 12!



### ECLIPSE UPDATE

We all eagerly waited at 5:00am for visitors to show up for our eclipse viewing party and show up they did! Around 300 people from all over the world came to Cornerstone on August 21! We had visitors from as far as Hungary and Italy, as well as all corners of the country to watch this once in a lifetime total eclipse. Telescopes and highly sophisticated cameras were scattered throughout the parking lot, and those of you who served did a phenomenal job welcoming all these people. As totality occurred, we could hear the entire town shout in astonishment; it reminded me of Psalm 19:1 "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the sky above proclaims His handiwork."

I want to give a huge thank you to so many who planned, prepared, and showed up ready to help during the event! Great work Cornerstone!