



VERSE OF THE MONTH:

20 Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21



LIFEGROUP LEADER SEMINAR

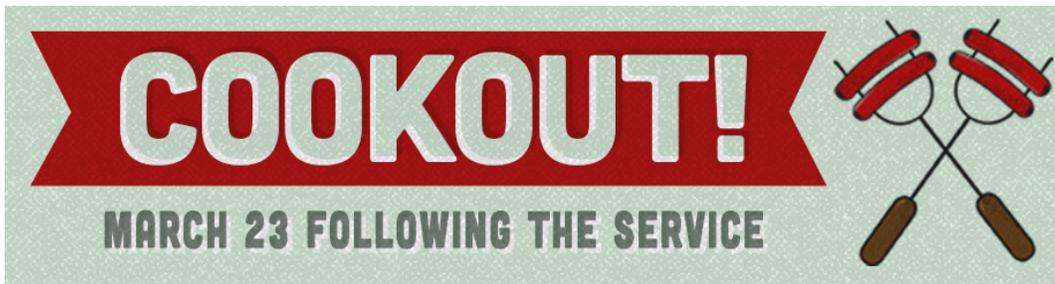
On March 22nd we had almost 20 at our LG Leader seminar. It was current LG Leaders, new and potential LG Leaders, and interested members. It was a good 2 hour discussion on the important of Lifegroups as part of the purpose for Building Up the Body of Christ for the Glory of God. Look for new LGs to launch end of April.

ELDERS TO D.C. FOR 9MARKS WEEKENDER

Be in prayer for our Elders. Pastor Nathan, Steve Sivells, and John Hurley will travel to Washington D.C. for a conference at Capitol Hill Baptist Church where Mark Dever is the pastor. 9Marks is a ministry started by Mark Dever that focuses on growing healthy churches. The weekend is an opportunity for our Elders to sit in on Elder's meetings at Capitol Hill as well as attend lectures and lunches with leaders of Capitol Hill Baptist Church. Be in prayer for our Elders as they continue to learn more about serving the church through leading as an Elder. Pray they continue to learn how to build up the body of Christ as Elders. Pray this weekend will be fruitful. More to come, but you you can see more at <http://www.9marks.org/events/9marks-weekender-9>.

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BBQ & FAMILY MEETING

Online giving

In the meeting we discussed online giving. Everyone seemed in favor of it and we will move forward giving consideration to several concerns shared in the meeting. Look for that news coming soon. Here are the details shared in the meeting:

- Ability to make recurring payments.
- Very useful for preschool payments.
- Giving typically goes up 5%-15%.
- Payments can be made, recorded, and viewed in CCB (Church Community Builder) by church members.
- Minimal cost that we can fit into our current budget.
- *Yearly Fixed Cost to Church: \$450*
Per Check/Electronic Draft: \$.45 flat rate.
Per Credit Card Transaction: \$.35+ 3.3% - 3.5% of transaction.

Evangelism

We briefly discussed evangelism in the church. We opened up for the church body to share about those whom they feel God has laid on their hearts or placed in their path. Several shared about co-workers, neighbors, and friends. Being praying for them and pray that God continues to embolden us to speak the gospel of Jesus Christ (Ephesians 6:18-19).

Welcoming Guests

We took some time to discuss welcoming guests who attend our worship service. The challenge was given to sit and connect with guests who come in. Also, be prepared to reach out to those who give us a connection card.

- Come to church planning to see guests.
- Come to worship planning to sit next to guests.
- Come to worship planning to connect with guests.

Building Up the Body

We briefly revisited the vision cast in January—Joyfully Building Up the Body of Christ for the Glory of God. There several questions about logistics asked and several shared excitement about Building Blocks starting in the spring. The three main ways we see the body being built up (in adult ministry) are:

Worship // Gathering for fellowship in worship, prayer, and preaching.

Building Blocks // Training in doctrine and equipping for ministry.

Four blocks to start in the Fall 2014:

- Block 1 and 2 – “How to Study the Bible”

- Block 3 – Study of Bible Book (Probably John)

- Block 4 – Kingdom Through Covenant: Understanding the Bible as a Whole

Lifegroups // Close fellowship and gospel partnership.

Be in prayer for new group leaders launching in April.