

Heartbeat

INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

July 3, 2016

Welcome to The Hills and the worship of our Lord and Savior this holiday weekend.

In observance of Independence Day, we will not meet for Sunday Night Church tonight. All evening programs are also cancelled. The building will close at noon today and will remain closed until Tuesday at 8 a.m.

Vacation Bible School

The summer is flying by and Vacation Bible School will be held next week, July 11–15.

All children four years old through sixth grade are welcome. Be sure to bring the neighbor kids, cousins and grandkids along.

VBS meets Monday through Friday, from 9:00–11:45 a.m. Online registration is available through the church website: www.ihcc.org. T-shirts may be ordered online through Wednesday, July 6.

Four male teachers are needed and room workers are needed in each class. If you would like to help, please call Kathleen Anderson this week at 402-483-4541.

VBS Workers will meet Sunday, July 10 at 1:30 p.m. in the Family Center for last minute

instructions. Classes will be decorated after the meeting.

Please be praying for open hearts for our youth and that the truth will be planted in their hearts. Also pray for strength, wisdom, and perseverance for our workers.

Our Soul

When God breathed life into us, He gave each one a gift that is immortal—our soul.

Think about this, while our outer man is dying, our soul will live forever. For those who received forgiveness through Jesus Christ, their soul will live with God for eternity. For those who rejected Christ's gift, their soul will live forever in endless destruction.

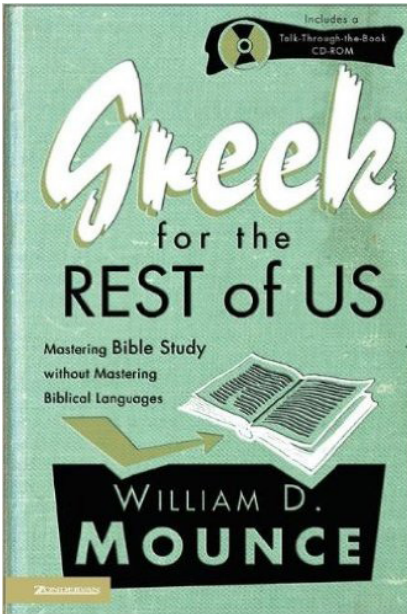
I urge you, dear one, give your life to Christ today. Simply ask Jesus for forgiveness by trusting in His finished work on the cross.

Then, remember that though your body is dying day by day, your soul is immortal and will live forever in your resurrected body. Spend time in God's Word and prayer, and keep Him in mind throughout the day. Spending time in God's presence feeds the soul.

Men's Summer Study

Greek for the Rest of Us:

Mastering Bible Study without Mastering the Biblical Languages



Duane Nelsen will be teaching a class for men based on the book, *Greek for the Rest of Us: Mastering Bible Study without mastering the Biblical Languages*.

The book's premise is that you don't have to be a Greek student to understand biblical Greek. If you'd like to learn Greek so you can study your Bible better, but you can't spare two years for college or seminary courses, then *Greek for the Rest of Us* is for you.

This new study began July 2 and will continue for four to six weeks. Men met in the conference room at 8 a.m.

If you did not attend the first class, but plan to be part of the study, check with Duane Nelsen for the reading assignment for Saturday, July 9

Men of all ages will enjoy working through the material together each week in a casual setting. Instead of simply memorizing Greek words, there will be interaction and discussion about how to use commentaries and online tools.

Developed by Greek teacher William Mounce, this crash-course on "baby Greek" will acquaint you with the essentials of the language and deepen your understanding of God's Word. You'll gain a sound knowledge of basic Greek, and you'll learn how to use tools that will add muscle to your Bible studies.

Greek for the Rest of Us may be purchased at Sound Words or online. For more information, contact Duane Nelsen at 402-483-4541.

Believers Are Not to Grumble

Gil Rugh

When Paul wrote to the Philippians, he told them to “Do all things without grumbling or complaining” (Phil. 2:14). We, like the Philippians, are often quick to complain. If we allow ourselves the luxury, we can find something to complain about in almost every situation. We don’t like our job, or the people we work with, or the hours our neighbors keep, or the way our loved ones spend their money, and the list goes on. Complaining is almost second nature to most of us. But no matter how natural complaining may seem, it is totally unacceptable to God.

Complaining is a very serious matter in God’s eyes. Paul used the example of Israel in the wilderness to illustrate God’s attitude toward those who grumble: “Now these things happened as examples for us, so that we would not crave evil things as they also craved” (1 Cor. 10:6). He continued, “Do not be idolaters” (v. 7), “nor let us act immorally” (v. 8), “nor grumble, as some of them did” (v. 10). Grumbling is listed along with the sins of idolatry and immorality!

“Well, grumbling is not a big deal,” some say. “It is not immorality or murder. Besides, did you ever know anyone who did not grumble?” They are saying that because we all grumble, it cannot be too bad. Wrong!

Paul wrote that some of the Israelites grumbled and were “destroyed by the destroyer” (v. 10). That tells you something about God’s attitude toward murmuring and grumbling.

One of Satan’s tricks is to get us to think lightly of sin. We often hear unbelievers say, “I am not perfect, but I don’t murder or do any of the really bad things.” Believers can also develop this light attitude toward sin, and the more the sin is practiced, the easier it is to accept or overlook. But we must learn to see sin the way God sees it.

Moses recorded the serious consequences of grumbling when God intervened in judgment against Korah and his family. Their sin was complaining that Moses and Aaron had higher positions than the rest of Israel, and God dealt with this sin harshly: “Then it came about as he finished speaking all these words, that the ground that was under them split open; and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, and their households, and all the men who belonged to Korah, with their possessions. So they and all that belonged to them went down alive to Sheol; and the earth closed over them, and they perished from

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the midst of the assembly” (Num. 16:31-33).

Amazingly, this judgment did not cause the complainers in Israel to realize how deeply God despised their grumbling. Instead of being awed at God’s judgment and stopping their grumbling, they blamed Moses and Aaron for what happened.

The Lord intervened again, sending a plague on the Israelites that killed 14,700 of them before Moses and Aaron interceded on the people’s behalf. These people died because of their grumbling, and more would have died if it wasn’t for the prudent actions of Moses and Aaron.

God continued his instruc-

tion about this sin: “But the Lord said to Moses, ‘Put back the rod of Aaron before the testimony to be kept as a sign against the rebels, that you may put an end to their grumbings against Me, so that they should not die’” (17:10).

The Israelites thought they were grumbling against Moses, but they were really grumbling against God. The same is true for us today. When we grumble and complain about our circumstances, we are not just grumbling about the weather, our neighbors, co-workers or family—we are grumbling against God Himself.

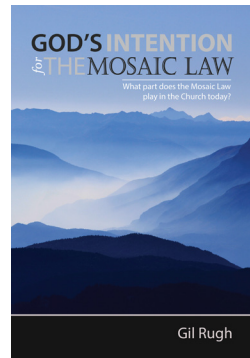
We are called to view sin as God does. God views complaining as a very serious sin—serious enough to warrant the punishment of death for the Israelites. As God’s children, we should endeavor to put aside complaining and instead thank God for His many blessings.

God’s Intention for the Mosaic Law

When we think of God, we think of His great love. And yet, there is another aspect of God’s character that is just as great—His holiness.

Join Pastor Gil Rugh as he considers the question, “What part does the Mosaic Law play in the Church today?”

God’s Intention for the Mosaic Law is free and available in the lobby book racks.



Summer Pulpit

July 31

Duane Nelsen (AM)
Jimmy Pelton (PM)

August 7

Duane Nelsen (AM)
Bill Cooley (PM)

August 14

Brian Trainer (AM & PM)
**Detroit Baptist Theological
Seminary**

August 21

Mike Wing (AM & PM)
Grace Community Bible Church

August 28

Tom Watson (AM & PM)
Bended Knee International

September 4

Doug Bookman (AM & PM)
**Shepherds Theological
Seminary**

Let us be good stewards of
the Lord's blessings

No Food or Drink

in the Auditorium
or Chapel

Church Leadership

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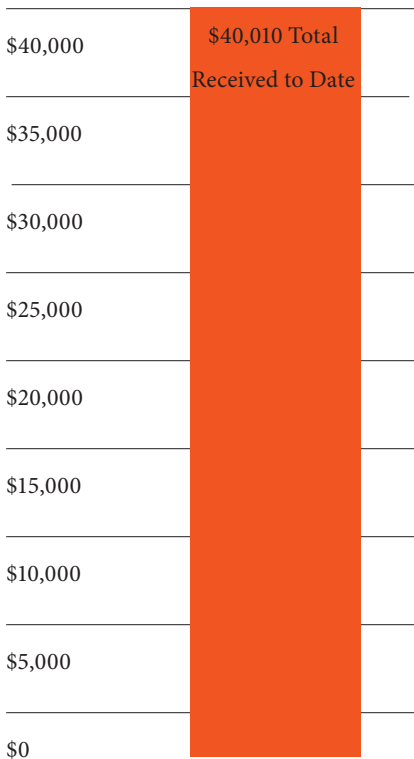
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2016 SPECIAL PROJECT Goal Reached



Thank you for your generous giving! We reached our goal in just two months!

Since there is a possibility of other small projects in the near future, any unused money from the 2016 Special Project Fund will be used as seed money in future projects.

The cost for a two-sided electronic sign is \$30,000. The sign will be located on the northeast corner of 84th and A Streets.

The anticipated cost of adapting the auditorium for wheelchair seating is \$10,000.

If you have questions, contact Carroll Lavalleur at 402-310-7934 or carroll.lavalleur@ihcc.org

Thank you for your faithful and generous giving! It is incredible to see the body react in love and generosity to meet this special need so quickly. May God use the electronic sign to bring more souls into His fold and may the auditorium adaptation bring ease, convenience and comfort in worship to those in wheel chairs.

—Carroll Lavalleur & the Elders

Bible Fellowship Hour

Children' Sunday School

Visit the Sunday school coordinator's desk for class locations.

Junior High (Grades 6-8)

Studying Galatians
Jeff Harford Teaching
Cornerstone House

Senior High (Grades 9-12)

Studying Ephesians
Team Taught
Room 1430

Alpha Omega (18-25)

Studying 1 John
Duane Nelsen Teaching
Room 2311

EDGE

Studying Ephesians
Jay O'Neal Teaching
Rooms 2211

Common Bonds

Studying John
Jim Mooberry Teaching
Room 1404

HIS

Studying Deuteronomy
Scott Bailey Teaching
Room 1423

LOGOS

Studying Joshua
Greg Thomas Teaching
Room 1422

180⁰ Fellowship

Studying Luke
Bill Cooley Teaching
Room 1100 (Chapel)

One Heart

Studying Matthew
Dick Bergt Teaching
Room 1112

LIFE

Studying Matthew
Jim Pelton Teaching
Room 1419

The Father Knows Best

Studying Harmony of
the Gospels
Don Goertzen Teaching
Room 1414

Prime Time (60+ retired)

Studying 1 John
Ed Daly Teaching
Room 1417

Classes begin at 8:45 a.m. but everyone is welcome to come at 8:30 a.m. for a cup of coffee and fellowship.

For more information about any of these classes, contact Duane Nelsen at 483-4541, visit the class, or stop by the information center in the south lobby.

Information Center

We would love to meet you! Please stop by and pick up your visitor/newcomer gift bag. We're located across from Sound Words.

"Give instruction to a wise man and he will be still wiser, Teach a righteous man and he will increase his learning" (Proverbs 9:9).

Family News.

Marriage. Christa Whitney and Micah Pelton were united in marriage on June 25, 2016 at Northwest Community Church in Malcolm, Nebraska.

Marriage. Kara Papke and Luke Pietzyk were united in marriage July 1, 2016.

Hospitalized. Janet Rice was a patient at Bryan East.

Hospitalized. Diana Krieger was a patient at Bryan West.

Thank You to all who have been praying for me during my recuperation from surgery. I especially want to thank Pastor Eddie and Pastor Aaron Nicholson for their hospital visits. A very big thank you to Jeanne and Max Callen, Liz Voss, and Linda and Al Nielsen.—Sherryl Gillette

New Address. Nick and Connie McElvain are now living at: 7558 Kentwell Lane, Lincoln, NE.

Children's Studies

Sunday School. The children studied 2 Kings 1 and learned about fire from heaven.

Children's Church. The children studied Matthew 4 and learned about Jesus calling the disciples. The lesson goal is to respond to Jesus' authority as God's Messiah by obeying him.

Information

Rice Krispie bars are needed for the first day of VBS (Monday, July 11). If you would like to make a pan, or purchase bars, call Sharon Lavalleur, 402-489-5354 to let her know.

Tonight (July 3). We will not have Sunday Night Church tonight, July 3. The building will be closed at noon.

July 4. The church building will be closed on Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

VBS Workers Needed. Four male teachers are needed and classroom helpers are needed in each room. Call Kathleen Anderson 402-483-4541, for more information.

Workers Needed to take the old siding off the Cornerstone House on Saturday, July 23. Workers are also needed to put new siding on the Cornerstone House on Saturday July 30. Plan to work from 8 a.m. to noon. Call Kevin Wheat, 402-483-4541 to let him know you'll be there to work, or just show up.

Paid Nursery Workers needed for Titus Tuesday. A paid worker is needed for the two-year-old room and a paid worker is needed to coordinate home school. If you are interested in either of these positions, contact Lynne Jensen 402-525-5054.

Clothing Outlet Change. Instead of being open our usual second

Tuesday of the month, the Clothing Outlet will be open the third Tuesday this month, July 19, due to VBS. Please stop by between 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. to peruse our summer collection.

Donated Clothes for the Clothing Outlet may be dropped off any time the church is open. Please place clothing inside the box in the Clothing Outlet closet (NE corner, by big canopy). Donated clothes should be in bags or boxes. Please put children's clothes in a separate bag or box. Clothes should be clean and in good condition. Questions? Call Brenda Turner at 402-486-1898.

Boys of Faith Summer Camp is August 6–9. All incoming second through sixth grade boys are invited. Dads (or a responsible adult) must attend with second graders. Registrations are due on July 24. Sign up in the South lobby on Sunday mornings and evenings.

Workers are needed to vacuum one section of the church once every five weeks. If you'd like to serve in this way, please call Dara Peters at 402-499-4944 or Tami Coffin at 402-366-3490.

Nursery Workers (several) are needed during the second hour worship service. Help is needed in all the rooms. Call Jen Lenzen, 402-435-0877

Wednesday Night Prayer meets Wednesday at 7 p.m. in room 1414. Everyone is invited to participate.

Hammers Needed. We need to borrow 40 hammers for a craft project during VBS. If you have one or two you can spare, please drop them off at the north or south information desk. Please label them clearly so we can return them to you after VBS.

VBS Closet is stocked with paint, paper, paintbrushes and various items. The closet is in the unfinished classroom area located on the second floor just north of the elevator. Let Michelle Pietzyk know if any supplies are running low or if you have any special requests. Text or call Michelle at 402-480-1347.

Metal Juice Lids. We are looking for metal juice lids (from frozen juice cans) for a VBS classroom project. Please leave them at the north and south information desks in the containers provided.

Last Week's Message

June 19 AM. Gil Rugh. GRM 1163 *What God Says Regarding Men & Their Roles*. Selected Verses

June 19 PM. Gil Rugh. GR 1957. *Responsibility to Be Growing*. 2 Peter 1:5-7

June 26 AM. Gil Rugh. GRM 1164. *The Word On World Affairs*. Selected Verses

June 26 PM. Gil Rugh. GR 1958. *The Importance of the Life of Godliness*. 2 Peter 1:8-10

This Week's Events

Sunday

No Sunday Night Church
(Building Closes at Noon)

Monday

Independence Day
(Building Closed)

No Door-to-Door Evangelism
No Sisters 7 p.m.

Wednesday

Gardening 8:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
High School Summer Study 7–9 p.m.

Thursday

Alpha Omega Study 7 p.m.

Future Events

July 11–15

Vacation Bible School

July 19

Clothing Outlet
High School Worlds of Fun Trip

July 22–24

AO Denver Trip

July 24

Communion

July 26–29

High School Senior Trip

August 6–9

Boys of Faith Camp

August 10–13

Junior High Camp

September 5

Labor Day

September 11

Fall Kick-off 6 p.m.

October 9

Communion

November 8–11

Branson Trip

November 24

Thanksgiving (Building Closed)

December 24

Christmas Eve
Communion

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