

COMMENTS & PRAYER REQUESTS

Please indicate the degree of confidentiality you desire:

- ☐ For the Pastor only
- ☐ For the Prayer Team members
- ☐ May be shared with the congregation
- ☐ Please have someone contact me

CONNECT

- ☐ I’m interested in joining a Life Group
- ☐ I’m interested in membership
- ☐ I’m interested in baptism / profession of faith
- ☐ I need to update my contact info (use reverse side)
- ☐ Sign me up for RRC email
- ☐ Other:

This week’s poll (just for fun)

- ☐ Go Green!
- ☐ Go Blue!

Last week’s winner: Thanksgiving Dinner

NOTES FOR THE FRONT OFFICE

(doodles accepted)

SERMON STUDY GUIDE

Questions for family/small group discussions

Exodus 4:1-17 – *I Can’t, But I Go*

When you read and consider personally adopting our vision for the next 8 years, what are some of your reactions to it? What makes you hesitate to wholeheartedly embrace and pursue this vision for yourself?

Four observations about God’s call to mission:

1. God never _____ us in without _____ us out.

Recall some of the biblical characters who were clearly called by God and then sent. Can you see how it would be the same for us to be called and sent? What are the most significant factors in your heart and life that keep you from a strong, prevailing sense of giving your life over to Christ and being sent on his mission?

2. God _____ weak, foolish sinners to be _____ of his saving work.

What are your most common excuses/objections when God calls you to pursue someone or share your faith?

- 1. I _____. (Ex. 3:11)
- 2. I don’t have all the _____. (Ex. 3:13)
- 3. I may not have their _____. (Ex. 4:1)
- 4. I can’t _____ well. (Ex. 4:10)
- 5. I’m not as _____ as others. (Ex. 4:13)

3. God _____ weak, foolish sinners to be instruments of his saving work.

When you read through Hebrews 11:24-27, after all the excuses and objections, how did Moses ultimately respond to God’s call on his life? What was the key that enabled him to boldly persevere? Who/what was his focus that kept him going?

In Moses’ life, we see that his equipping and success in boldly going out for God depends on two things:

A. Seeing _____.

- 1. I _____. How does God provide power for us (Ex. 2:12, Philippians 4:13)?
- 2. I will have _____. What did Jesus do so that we could speak boldly? (Isaiah 53:7, Ex. 4:11-12, John 14:26, 16:13)
- 3. I have immeasurable _____. How did Jesus suffer and what status does he provide so that you can always be confident in your dignity?
- 4. We demonstrate love and _____, not _____. When you consider what Paul describes in 1 Cor. 2:1-2, how do you see your self often being more concerned with eloquence and wisdom rather than love and sacrifice? What is a practical step of love and sacrifice that you can take this week with someone who may not know Jesus?

B. _____.

How does faith work toward empowering you toward love and obedience to God’s mission? What are some practical ways that you can work toward building faith and seeing who Jesus is for you every day?

4. God works faith _____ us as he works his saving work _____ us.

God works faith in us through two different schools:

- 1. The school of the _____. How does God work and what does he work toward in the desert (see Deut. 8:2-3)?
- 2. The school of _____. How does boldly engaging in mission work to grow faith and dependence on Jesus? What is one way that you can stretch yourself this week for the sake of Jesus who stretched himself on the cross for you?



WORSHIP SERVICE @ 10:00 a.m.

Prelude

Let Your Kingdom Come

Call to Worship

All Creatures

Cannons

The Wonderful Cross

How Firm a Foundation

Majesty

*** Kids are invited to KidLife*

Offering

Take My Life

Prayer & Message

“I Can’t, But I Go”

Exodus 4:1-17 (p. 47)

Rev. Tim Meendering

Response

Let Your Kingdom Come

SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 11:15

Takes place directly after the worship service and goes until 12:15.

- **Adults** - Fireside Room 253 - “Digging Deeper” sermon discussion. This week’s leader: Jim Scholten
- **High School** - Room 246
- **Middle School** - Youth Room 153
- **KidLife (thru 5th grade)** - Fellowship Hall 100 check-in

Join us in the gym at 12:15 for the Middle School Fundraiser Dinner! On the menu: chicken alfredo, lasagna, seasoned green beans, salad, garlic bread, apple cake, and brownies.

*** If you have children, they are welcome to remain with you throughout the service, or you can choose from different options:*

KidLife Worship (3 years - 3rd grade) - Check-in desk is in the Fellowship Hall, Room 100 (directly below the sanctuary). Kids may start service there, or go after our opening music in the sanctuary.

KidLife Nursery (0-3 years) - Room 241 (upper level of gym).

Parent-Infant Room - available near the back of the sanctuary for fussy children and nursing mothers.

Children’s bulletins and crayons are available near the lobby stairs.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Nov. 10	Nov. 11	Nov. 12	Nov. 13	Nov. 14	Nov. 15	Nov. 16
worship sunday school m.s. fundraiser dinner high school youth group 6:30-8pm		men's prayer breakfast 7-8am, fellowship hall women's bible study 9:30-11am, room 212 nehemiah	family dinner 6pm kidlife club 6:30pm middle school yg 6:30pm adult classes 6:45pm fireside, how people change rm 250, you'll get through this			
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Nov. 24	Nov. 25	Nov. 26	Nov. 27	Nov. 28	Nov. 29	Nov. 30
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More information on these activities can be found in our weekly **eBeacon** (printouts are available in the lobby and the back of the sanctuary). If you haven't singed up to receive this weekly email, contact the front office at connect@rockfordrc.org and ask to be put on the list.

QUICK INFO

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Online bulletin & sign-in: rockfordrc.org/sunday
Online giving: link is on our home page - rockfordrc.org
KidLife email check-in: rrc.check.in@gmail.com

Last week's attendance: 256
Last week's offering: \$10,725

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VISION 2028 . . . SOMEDAY THROUGH EVERY DAY

Someday the kingdom of God will fully come and there will be no more darkness. But we are not there yet. It is a destination seemingly far away and impossible to reach, a trek of a thousand miles with pitfalls and setbacks along the way. Yet we have assurance that we will get there, so every day we take steps. Some small, some bold.

Every day, we see our neighbors, co-workers, and friends comfortably traveling through life and yet restless, lost, isolated, and searching. In this landscape of darkness, we will be a light. Over the next eight years, we will turn from our paths of self-centered, tiny-world busyness to join a shared path of others-centered kingdom sacrifice. The gospel will fuel a movement of bold love, genuine concern, and radical hospitality.

Every day, we will work to develop and deploy leaders. By the year 2028, we will raise up 300 gospel guides equipped to lead others on their life journey into the light of joy and Christ-contentment. A gospel-centered discipleship pathway will train us for organic


outreach and compel us to relentlessly pursue and draw people in who are wandering in a darkness of anxiety, loneliness, and discontentment.

Christ-centered worship will unite, encourage, and empower us for the mission. We will pray, strategically start two new churches in the greater Rockford area, and not be dissuaded until we see the stunning renovation of marriages, families, workplaces, schools, and neighborhoods for the glory of Jesus.

► This is our someday. We get there through the every day.

NORTH KENT CONNECT FOOD DRIVE
Items due Wednesday, November 20.
This year, NKC has a very specific wish list for our annual food drive. The following items are needed for Thanksgiving baskets: Pasta (all varieties), canned tomatoes, canned vegetables, quinoa, low sugar cereal/oatmeal, money to purchase ham/turkeys (check to RRC, put NKC in notes).

CONNECTION CARD

 **FOLD** and **TEAR** at perforation. Place in the offering plate or in a connection card drop box located at each sanctuary exit.

HELLO! We're glad you could join us today! Please sign in and let us know who is here (even if they are somewhere else in the building).

○ Just checking in! **Name(s):**

NEW? First of all, welcome! Please tell us a little more about yourself, and make sure to get a welcome bag from the lobby before you leave today. If you need a little added encouragement to leave your information with us, here you go: for every first-time sign-in (with contact info), we donate \$5 to North Kent Connect! Also, the more we know, the better we can help get you connected.

Name: _____

Address: _____

His Phone: _____

Her Phone: _____

His Email: _____

Her Email: _____

Age group: ○ teens ○ 20s ○ 30s ○ 40s ○ 50s ○ 60+

Kids at home (name, birthdate, grade, m/f)

What brings you here today? _____