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Rev It Up!

The 3-R's: "Re-open, Renew and Reach Out"



There is indeed "light at the end of the tunnel." Like a baby chick pecking its way out of an egg, our church is "emerging" out of this pandemic. Praise the Lord!! Thus, **our theme for 2021 is "Re-open, Renew and Reach Out."** We have already begun re-starting some of our ministries and programs as we further re-open. As we do, we hope to "renew" people in the Spirit. The pandemic did put a damper on many folks' spirit, no doubt. As we move forward into 2021, may what we do as a church family fan the flames of the Holy Spirit within us into a blaze!!! Renewing and refreshing our souls

in Christ. Being re-opened and renewed, then Lord help us to reach-out with a re-inspired vigor to share the Gospel with our community. Let us bring the Light of Christ to help guide folks out of the darkness. Indeed, use us Lord to "expel" the darkness that is still present in our world. Grant, Lord Jesus, that First Baptist may truly be a beacon for you as we Re-open, Renew and Reach Out.



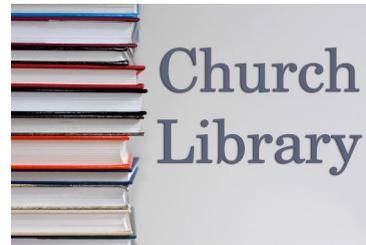
From the Church Library..... A Book Report

"The Gospel According to Paul"

By John MacArthur

The Apostle Paul penned a number of very focused passages in his letters to the early church that summarize the Gospel message in just a few well chosen words. Each of these key texts has a unique emphasis, highlighting some essential aspects of the Good News. The chapters in this revelatory new book closely examine these vital gospel texts, one verse at a time. John MacArthur, host of the popular media ministry "Grace to You", president of the Master's University and Seminary. And longtime pastor at Grace Community Church tackles such questions as, What is the gospel? What are the essential elements of the message? How can we be certain we have it right? And how should Christians be proclaiming the Good News to the world. As always, the answers John gives are clear, compelling, easy to grasp and above all, Biblical, thoroughly Biblical. The Gospel according to Paul is written in a style that is easily accessible to everyone, including those who know very little about the Bible, while being of great value to seasoned pastors and experienced ministers.

This book and many others are available to check out in the church library.



Coming Soon "Concert on the Green"



This event will take place Saturday, June 12 from 5pm –8pm on the front lawn of the church. The aim of this event is to reach the community around us as well as those whom you invite.

A group from Macon, MO, "The Dysart Family" will be in concert beginning at 6pm that evening. The Dysart Family travels across the nation, sharing their faith through gospel and contemporary Christian music. The family started singing just by the Lord opening a door for them to give a concert.

Since then, they have been walking through many doors the Lord has opened to them. "The Dysart Family" is headquartered out of Macon, MO.

A free meal will also be served that evening. The Evangelism Team will need help with set up, preparing, and serving food, crowd control and clean up. If you are interested in helping, sign-up at the Welcome Center.

Check out our New Website!



Go to www.fbcleavenworth.org to see our newly designed website. It's fresh and bright, we hope you love it!

Coat and Blanket Giveaway

The Evangelism Team will be rolling out several outreach events for us this year, one of which is a **Coat and Blanket Giveaway** to the community which is scheduled to take place **September 18th**. We are asking anyone who wants to participate, to donate new or gently used clean coats and blankets to the church. We will also accept financial donations to purchase items. You can start bringing those items in at any time and place them in the container in the foyer. We are letting you know now about this exciting giveaway so that we have plenty of time to collect items for the giveaway. We will also accept quilts.

Honoring Our Mothers

On Mother's Day, May 9th AB Women will have a special recognition during our worship service for mothers and announce the "Mother of the Year". Then, after the service we will honor our mothers with tasty muffins for everyone. The Deaconess Team will also be handing out a special gift for mothers that day. You won't want to miss this special opportunity to recognize and honor all the wonderful mothers in our midst.



AB Women's Conference

AB Women's Ministries Central Region Summer Conference will take place June 4-5 at Topeka First Baptist Church. If you would like to attend, you can find registration forms at the Welcome Center. This two-day conference is always interesting and spiritually uplifting. If you are unable to attend in person, there is an option to participate virtually. For more information call the church office.

ABW Silent Auction

Thank to everyone who has participated in our ABW Central Region Fundraiser. May 2nd is our last day for bidding. After that we will start calling those who have won the baskets. If you still want to place bids, now is the time.



Navajo Mission News
Daniel & Beth Taggart



Dear Family and Friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers. We appreciate you all so much. As you may know Danielle has been going to in person school since August 3 at a private Christian school. (AZ tax credits can be turned into scholarships and they are a blessing for sure.) She has befriended a Navajo girl in foster care. They have become best friends. Her friend hasn't been a Believer all year. She and her sister have been placed in another home to be with their younger siblings. This required moving and a new school. They had their good bye party at school and she came out and told me she accepted Christ. So thankful for this! We have been praying all year. So glad that Danielle got to be a part of this, too. Some plant, some water, and some harvest. What a blessing. Now prayers for her and the new placement out of town.

Dan continues at the office as he is the only one there now. Beth goes into help occasionally. It is different not going out to visit our churches but God just gives us different ways to minister. Day of prayer has turned into conference calls. Still lots to get done at the office. Dan recently did a conference call Sunday service for Kayenta Bible Church. Currently he is in a Zoom with ANAM and learning new things for leadership. We also need to care for a couple mission properties. One here in Flagstaff is in need of some repairs. Hopefully in the future people will be willing to come out again for short term mission trips. Beth continues to lead the Moms in Prayer group at Danielle's school.

Grey Mountain Bible Church got a new pump for their well. This has been needed for awhile and glad it has been taken care of. Please pray for all our churches on their path to becoming indigenous.

We enjoyed a few days in Tombstone, AZ over spring break. Danielle used the gunfight at OK Corral in her history project! We are looking forward to the future and how God will be using us here among the Navajo. Hope you all have a blessed Resurrection season! What a blessing you all are to us!

Love the Taggart's
 Daniel, Beth and Danielle

P.S. This is our first email with the letter. Sorry if you happen get two! And yes those who need snail mail will get it! If you have email and haven't sent it to us please do: bltaggart@erthliknk.net. Thank you!

May Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

- 2 Jim Reed
- 9 Toni Stevens
- 16 Vickie Kenton, Barbara Pitts
- 21 Joyce Adkins
- 22 Katie Johnston
- 23 Allen Brown
- 28 Linda Hayden, Rebecca Templeton
- 29 Jessica Lingle

Anniversaries

- 5/2 M/M Josh Klein
- 5/10 M/M Ryan Lingle
- 5/20 M/M Bob Leath
- 5/28 M/M Jim Creighton

Attendance Record	4/4	4/11	4/18	4/25
10:30 am Worship Service	112	101	104	92
Wednesday Evening Services	24	19	25	-

Kids Club End of Year Celebration

The last night of Kids Club will be May 19th as they break for summer. Join us as that night at 6:00 pm as we celebrate with a trip to the Kids Club Store and a pizza party.

Youth Group

Youth Group (grades 6-12) will begin meeting in the youth room starting Friday, May 21 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Please see Amanda Templeton if you have questions.



We invite you to "Like" our new Facebook Page.
 Browser searching: fb.me/forthesakeofthegospel

May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 10:30 am - Paula Darling Memorial Service (Meal to follow)
2 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Morning Worship 6:00 pm - Evening Worship Service	3 10 am - Pickleball 5:30 pm - Torah Bible Study 6 pm - Deaconess Team 7 pm - Pickleball	4 5 pm - A.C.T.S. Prayer Group 6pm - Deacons Mtg., Fellowship Comm. & Trustee Mtg.	5 9 am - Morning Bible Hour 6 pm - Bible Study & Prayer 6 pm - Kids Club 7 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal	6 1 pm - GriefShare 6 pm - Finance Committee Mtg. 7 pm - Pickleball	7 9 am - White Cross	8
9 Mother's Day—Muffins with Mom 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Morning Worship 6:00 pm - Evening Worship	10 10 am - Pickleball 5:30 pm - Torah Bible Study 7 pm - Pickleball	11 1 pm - Grief Recovery Support Grp 5 pm - A.C.T.S. Prayer Grp	12 6 pm - Bible Study & Prayer 6 pm - Kids Club 7 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal	13 1 pm - GriefShare 2 pm - Evangelism Team Mtg. 7 pm - Pickleball	14	15
16 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Morning Worship 6:00 pm - Evening Worship Service	17 10 am - Pickleball 5:30 pm - Torah Bible Study 7 pm - Pickleball	18 5 pm - A.C.T.S. Prayer Group	19 6 pm - Bible Study & Prayer 6 pm - Kids Club 7 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal	20 1 pm - GriefShare 7 pm - Pickleball	21 9 am - White Cross	22
23 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Morning Worship 11:30 pm - Church Family Reunion 6:00 pm - No Evening Worship	24 10 am - Pickleball 5:30 pm - Torah Bible Study 7 pm - Pickleball	25 1 pm - Grief Recovery Support Grp 5 pm - A.C.T.S. Prayer Group	26 5 pm - Discipleship Team Mtg. 6 pm - Bible Study & Prayer 6 pm - Kids Club 7 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal	27 1 pm - GriefShare 7 pm - Pickleball	28 9:30 am - Grounds for Discussion	29
30 9:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Morning Worship 6:00 pm - Evening Worship Service	31 Memorial Day - Church Closed					