



Happy Thursday to you! Hopefully, you're warm and riding out this absolutely brutal weather safely. The good news is that by Sunday, we should be right in the Winter pocket again—still cold, but not dangerously so.

We would like to take a little time this morning to let you know about some things that are coming up on our calendar. Even in the wicked cold, the Kingdom of God is still rolling along, and we seek to roll along with it.

Gents, we would like to remind you that every Saturday our IronMen group meets at 9.00a to learn, pray, and spend time together in the Word and, this session, in Dr. David Jeremiah's book *A Life Beyond Amazing*. In this book, Dr. Jeremiah walks us through nine important decisions that will help us to change our hearts, our lives, and our world. Join with us as we chase after God's face through this great book.

Speaking of books, in keeping with our journey into Organic Outreach for the Kingdom, **the book *Across the Street and Around the World* is available in the Welcome Center for purchase.** This book will help to see the myriad ways that we can impact our world for God in practical and relatively simple ways. We are asking for a small donation to help cover the cost (if you can swing it); but this book is available to all who want it.

This Sunday, in our ongoing effort to make the changes necessary to best serve our community and church, we will be taking some time to take a survey created by our Growth Group. This survey will only take a few moments of our time, but is very important. This survey will be available throughout the month of February, so don't fret if you can't be there on Sunday—your voice will be heard. We do encourage all of us to prayerfully fill out the survey so that we can best do what we need to do to better chase after God.

In addition to the survey this Sunday, we will be hearing a little more about the refugee family that we have adopted. We don't know very much at this point in the process other than it is a family of 7

(parents and 5 children) who are from the Democratic Republic of Congo and they speak Swahili. This is how we know that God is in control: We have a sister church not too far away that worships in Swahili, and the Covenant Church has had a presence in the DRC for decades. God is Good, and has all things in His hand. Come out on Sunday to hear more about how we will be partnering with them to show them God's love.

This Sunday will mark the start of a new Adult Discipleship class. For the past several weeks, we have been offering a class on the book of Daniel. This Sunday, we will start a new class on the book of Revelation. This book, written by the Apostle John, and revealed to him in a vision tells of the last days of Earth. It is a hard book, and not easily read. However, it is important, as is all Scripture. We hope that you will take this opportunity to join with us as we tackle this difficult subject. This class will meet at 9.15 in the Prayer Room.

And the final thing on our laundry list of Thursday announcements is this: this upcoming Wednesday (February 6) the Spring Choir Season starts back! If you have always wanted to be in a choir, but never had the chance before, now is the time. Rehearsals are at **6.30p** on Wednesday evenings, and are an hour long. Please feel free to contact Cathy Shinaberry for more information.

Let's take a moment to wish a very Happy Birthday to pass along our felicitations to those who were born in February:

Join with us this Sunday as we continue in our series "In the Best of Families" with 2 Samuel 6. 1-8.

Be God's.