



Friendship Church
Loving God...Loving People

FRIENDSHIP GOOD NEWS

June 18, 2021

From Pastor Mike...



**As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who
fear him**

-Psalm 103:13



**In person and Facebook Live
Church Service
Small Groups**

Sunday June 20, 2021

9:30 AM Small Groups — 10:30 Church Service

I'm excited to announce a new Wednesday evening study that starts this coming week (June 23rd). **"Forgotten God"** is based off a book written by pastor and author Francis Chan by the same title. The goal of the study is to help the body of Christ understand, embrace and follow the Holy Spirit's direction in our lives. Chan contends that we've ignored the Spirit for far too long, and we are reaping the disastrous results. Chan writes: *"From my perspective, the Holy Spirit is tragically neglected and, for all practical purposes, forgotten. While no evangelical would deny His existence, I'm willing to bet there are millions of churchgoers across America who cannot confidently say they have experienced His presence or action in their lives over the past year. And many of them do not believe they can...If I were Satan and my ultimate goal was to thwart God's kingdom and purposes, one of my main strategies would be to get churchgoers to ignore the Holy Spirit."* Forgotten God: Reversing Our Tragic Neglect of the Holy Spirit. My desire as a pastor is to help us seek the Lord and be filled with the precious Spirit of God. We know God can do more in 5 minutes than we can do in a lifetime. My desire is to lead a church so dependent upon the Holy Spirit that if He moved out, the whole thing would collapse. Our 2021 goal is to build a church where God is pleased to dwell. We need the presence of the Holy Spirit now more than ever. I hope you will join me on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm as we welcome the Holy Spirit and depend upon Him. I believe God has a very special blessing in store for everyone who will make the effort to know Him more intimately through His Spirit.

I love you all,
Pastor Mike

GOSPEL PROJECT

SMALL GROUPS

Paul in Prison (Acts Epistles)

Sunday's lesson: "*Breaking Down Barriers*" -Ephesians

Classes are currently meeting in person at 9:25 am. If you would like to join online using Zoom, check with your Sunday School teacher as most classes also have zoom availability.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Join us at 6:30 at the church as we study God's



Friendship Attendance, June 6

Small group Bible study - 70

Celebration worship - 106

Tithes & Offering

Sunday, June 6—\$7,146.89

Friendship Anniversaries

June 24 – John & Anna Lane

Friendship Birthdays

June 21 – Luis Hernandez

June 23 – Stan Penny

June 23 – Dustin Sowell



Loving Choices provides free and confidential services to help with pregnancy and other reproductive health issues including pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, STD testing and abortion information.

They run an annual Baby Bottle Campaign to raise money. If you would like to participate, take a baby bottle from the foyer and fill it with change and return by June 20.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Time	Event
Sunday, June 20		FATHER'S DAY
Sunday, June 27		GIDEON SUNDAY
Sunday, July 4	7:00pm	INDEPENDENCE DAY - Ice Cream Fellowship, Games and Fireworks
Monday, July 5		Rock Camp (Church Camp - Cass, AR Monday through Friday)
Monday, July 19	6:00pm	"Rocky Railway" Vacation Bible School (Mon-Thur)
Wednesday, August 11	6:00pm	Back-to-School Bash
Monday, August 16		School starts
Sunday, September 5	9:30am	New Sunday School curriculum launch
Monday, September 6		LABOR DAY – offices closed

Need encouragement and strength?

Join us Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evenings at 7 PM on Zoom

PRAYER MEETING

FULL STEAM AHEAD!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO GET ON BOARD WITH US!!

Contact Mary Ann Brinkman for information on how you can

RIDE THE RAILS with us as we

CLIMB ABOARD THE VBS ROCKY RAILWAY!



LEAVING A LEGACY: MAKING A MEMORY

What *is* a “legacy”?

“Now is
the time
to make
tomorrow’s
greatest
memories.”

— Josh Misner

 truparenting.net

All too often people tend to think of their legacy in terms of money. That’s an unfortunate mistake. Consider what Proverbs has to say on the subject (13:22), along with the words of Jesus and Paul concerning true wealth (Matthew 6:19, 20; 1 Timothy 6:6-10). When we read these verses together, we realize it’s better to build healthy values, virtues and character in our kids and grandkids than load them down with material possessions.

Remember that the time you spend with your family is most important. Your involvement in their lives could have eternal impact on their souls, which is one outcome you’ll never

regret.

- Watch for opportunities to know and be known.
- Model and teach what’s important (prayer, focus, relationships, time).
- Speak life into your family, your kids and your grandchildren.
- Share what you have learned along the way and pass along knowledge from your life so they can transfer it to wisdom.

Watching for opportunities

It's often said that values are caught rather than taught, because who you are and what you believe is what will rub off on your grandchildren as you invite your kids and their families into your life.

As you do this, be careful not to push too hard or intrude in your children's families. Get-togethers on special occasions and their invitation for other activities will give you enough opportunities to enjoy your grandchildren and share your heart.

Time is of the essence. If you're never around, your grandkids won't have the chance to "catch" anything from you. They need to be able to see who you are and what you hold as important. So make a point of spending quality and quantity time with them, and speak into their lives while they are still young.

If your grandkids are not close by, try facetimeing, or sending mail to them on a regular basis. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope along with your letter and encourage them to draw a picture or write a you back.

And if you feel the legacy you've created for your grown children is lacking, know that it's never too late to start over and re-establish the connection.

This is a promise from God Himself: "I will guide you in the way of wisdom and I will lead you in upright paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hampered, and when you run, you will not stumble." [Proverbs 4:11-12]

by Focus on the Family

Blessings, Mary Ann

