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Prayer is Fundamental, Not Supplemental!



When you read the story of the early church in the book of Acts, you see people for whom prayer was fundamental, not supplemental. Three times Luke tells us the church was devoted to prayer. They were utterly dependant on God's power. Every major breakthrough for the church in the book of Acts came about as a direct result of prayer. God performed mighty works for the propagation of the gospel and the declaration of his glory in direct proportion to the prayers of his people.

These believers knew that prayer was necessary for the accomplishment of God's purpose in the world. If we want to make disciples that are truly Christ-like, disciples that are willing to move from their comfort zone and to risk everything then we will need to pray and.... pray and..... pray.

How can we here at Landmark best unleash the people of God in the Spirit of God with the Word of God for the glory of God in the world?

It starts with prayer – perhaps a quiet prayer for something small or seemingly insignificant – but as you turn to God more and more often, those prayers may well become prayers of God rather than prayers to God! Brad has been challenging us to become a body of Christ that turns to God in prayer. To seek out his will in everything that we do.

Here is a challenge for each of us, it isn't magic, you don't need to pray this 4 times a day facing north, or kneeling at your bed. You don't need to pray it at 5:52AM each day...and you don't need to pass this on to 5 friends for it to "work". Just quiet yourself and talk to the God who loves you more than anyone else possibly can and let Him know that you commit your family/yourself to Him by praying:

**Wherever you want us to go, whatever you want us to do, however you want us to live,
we give our lives and our family for you to spend in making your gospel and your glory
known to the ends of the earth, particularly among those who have never heard the gospel.**

I know! So much for staying in our comfort zone! Aren't we getting a little carried away with words like "wherever", "whatever", "however"? I guess we can either chose to stay comfortable or we can take the risk that God will walk beside us in the plan he has for us! Which will you prefer?

The Spirit of God is always good, He desires the spread of the gospel and the declaration of his glory among all people more than we do. He will lead us. He will guide us. He will direct us as we put our lives, our families and our church on the table and ask him to use us to magnify his name by making disciples of all nations.

Let's pray together more often! Together, we can spur one another on for God's purpose in the World!

Serving an Awesome God!
Mike

Article contains excerpts from the book Radical Together by Dr David Platt – Multnomah 2011

Mission of the Month

LANDMARK ADDITION BLOCK PARTY! SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 DINNER AT 4:00 - ?

Where has the summer gone? Mark your calendar for the Block Party, Sept. 11. If you are new to Landmark, this is an annual event to show appreciation for our neighbors! There will be grilled chicken, lots of side dishes (well, that is if YOU bring them!), games, blow up toys to play on for the kids...and time to sit and visit with those who live in our neighborhood. The party starts at 3:30, with dinner served at 4:00, so don't be late! Feel free to invite friends. Come as you are and bring a lawn chair.

Please contact those listed below if you can help in any of the following areas:

Grilling - Mark Perry, Dave Spaulding, Dan Brehmer and John DeLaMater

Side Dishes - Wendy Exner and Tammy Olson

Games and Blow ups - Tim & Julie Griner, Dan & Sandy Zylstra

Neighborhood reminders - See Mike

Set up and Take down - See Mike

PARKVIEW PARTNERSHIP

The new school year is just beginning and our Parkview Partnership volunteers are anxious to get back to meeting with their children. We are hoping our opportunities increase this year! Tara Johnson will be joining Wendy Exner as a teacher at Parkview this fall. We congratulate her on her new job!

There are 170 disadvantaged children at Parkview who receive a bag of groceries to take home with them each weekend to insure that they get a balanced meal on the days they do not have school lunches. The ladies of Landmark made 170 cloth bags for these children to use and these bags were recently delivered. Thanks to all who helped make this possible.

We are looking for more mentors. There is a meeting on Monday, Sept. 12, 2:42-3:45, at Parkview, for those planning to be mentors. Mentors spend 30 min. a week with a single child, chatting, playing games or just sharing. See Mike if you can contribute to a child's life in this way.

We are looking for those interested in tutoring a child in school work or home work. See Mike for details.

Men, we may have opportunities to do some light woodworking, repairing some of the outdoor garden areas. There are a number of swings, birdhouses and benches that need some TLC. There are a number of gardens that need attention.

PEANUT BUTTER COLLECTION

The PB 4 Haiti drive has ended! Currently, we have over 16,000 pounds of peanut butter at the church waiting to be shipped to Chicago. The truck from Chippewa Valley Technical College is sitting in our parking lot. A volunteer driver will transport the PB to a warehouse in Chicago where the Lifeline Christian Mission will pick it up to be transported to Haiti. We expect it to be in Haiti by the time our mission team arrives on Jan. 2, 2012. Pray that this shipment clears customs in a timely manner. Pray for those that will receive it, that it can bring nourishment to their bodies, and give us an opportunity to bring Jesus love to their souls. Bob Tillma has calculated that if 1 jar of PB, given at 1 Tablespoon per day will nourish a child for about a month, then 10,000 jars will help over 800 children for an entire year! God has always helped feed the multitudes with mankind's meager efforts, and He will again!



DRESSES FOR HAITI PROJECT

As of Aug. 28, we have 64 dresses and 35 pairs of shorts to send to the children of Haiti. We want to thank all those who did the sewing and/or donated fabric or money to make this possible. Thank you, Deanna Augustine, for leading in this effort.

W. O. W.

(WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAY)

STARTS SEPT. 14 - 6:30 TO 7:45 - CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

PRESCHOOLERS - CLAIRE ASSELIN

KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 2ND GRADE - DANA BREHMER

LESSONS ABOUT JESUS, CRAFTS, GAMES, SNACKS (KAREN NYHUS, SERVING)

GRADES 3 THROUGH 5 - BRAD CROCKER

READING "THE STORY" - 31 BIBLE READINGS IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

COPIES ARE AVAILABLE FOR FAMILIES TO USE AS HOME DEVOTIONALS

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL - ACTS 29 - MIKE COHOON

EXPERIENCING "THE STORY" (GENESIS - REVELATION), MUSIC & GAMES

ADULTS - 6:00-6:30 - PATTY CHELMO LEADING A PRAYER TIME

6:30-7:45 - SHANNON BALTS LEADING "PRAYERS OF JESUS" STUDY

YOU WILL WANT TO BE PART OF W.O.W.

CHRISTIAN HARBOR YOUTH CAMP

Russ and Rebecca Kinney, managers, report a very successful Camp year. The next big project will be to put an addition on the dining hall. The building plans are complete and ready to be submitted to the state for approval. If there is \$30,000 on hand by Sept. 1, construction is scheduled to begin. You can make contributions through the church by just noting on the memo line, "Christian Harbor Camp".

Several from Landmark helped at camp this summer: Julia Griner, Sandy Zylstra, Al Chelmo, Brad Crocker, Mike Cohoon, Jill and Chet Cooper, Samantha Griner, Jenny Chladek, Emily Johnson, Sally Mueller, Nancy Gearhardt, Melyssa Strong and others. Thank you for your service.

*****NOTE:** We are considering volunteering Landmark Christian Church to organize the 2nd-3rd grade camp week, including Teddy Bear Camp for 2012. What a great mission opportunity! No travel expenses, no room or board expense, no language barrier, only 4 days. Mike will be looking for a Worship leader, speaker, teachers, craft people, recreation people and cabin parents. We would like to have a team together before giving a commitment to the camp board. See Mike.

ATTEND SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:00 - 10:00 every Sunday

The Fall Sunday School Season starts Sept. 11. Teachers and students will be meeting to begin new studies of God's Word. Classes for all ages, with nursery available. Contact Patti Spaulding if you can help. (715-839-8052)

Middle School is taught by Julie Griner. They are using DiscipleLand materials, studying Heroes of Bible Times up to the present. If you are in this age group and haven't made it to the group yet, please join us soon!

Would you like seven weeks of heaven this fall? Then be here for Sunday School and Worship Service as we examine what God tells us about the place He is preparing for us. The **Adult, Young Adult and High School** classes will all spend those seven weeks studying what the Bible says about Heaven. Don't miss this chance to get a preview of your forever home.

JULY STATS

Ave. Attendance	115
Gen. fund offerings	\$12,905
Gen. fund expenses	\$13,182
Budget	\$15,283

MISSION TRIP

HAITIAN CHRISTIAN MISSION - January, 2012. The Haitian mission team would like to ask you to pray for hearts to be open to the Gospel while we are there - and for us to really be the hands and feet of Jesus to those we meet! Thanks for your continued support.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Sept. 2 - John Chladek
Katie Spaulding
- Sept. 3 - Jared Christensen
Noah Graffunder
- Sept. 4 - Kyle Crocker
- Sept. 6 - Elissa Spaulding
- Sept. 8 - Sam Palser
- Sept. 9 - Jackie Chladek
Lou Morken
- Sept. 11 - Tamy Larson
- Sept. 12 - Mike Cohoon
Ken Nyhus
- Sept. 14 - Emily Johnson
- Sept. 15 - Madeline Veitch
- Sept. 18 - Gloria Niesen
- Sept. 21 - Dan Wood
- Sept. 22 - Riley Balts
Kayla Luraas
- Sept. 24 - John Olson
- Sept. 25 - Shannon Balts
- Sept. 28 - Chris Davis
- Sept. 30 - Sami Balts



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY - 2011

- Sept. 3 - Al & Michelle Graffunder, 17 yrs.
- Sept. 11 - Terry & Amy Johnson 29 yrs.
- Sept. 22 - Lou & Tammi Morken
- Sept. 23 Bob & Gloria Neisen, 44 yrs.
Richard & Ruby Taylor
Ken & Cheryl Nyhus, 39 yrs.
- Sept. 26 - Pat & Nora Wood

A BIG THANK YOU to Ryan and Terry Stuve for putting in the lawn at the Habitat for Humanity house on State St. that many from Landmark have worked on.

SENIOR SAINTS BIBLE STUDY: The study and fellowship at the Homestead Village Apts. will resume on September 7, 2:00. We will be viewing the new DVD series by Ray VanderLaan on the Holy Land. This study is open to all, especially Senior Saints. See Bernie.

We are also planning a picnic at Yeager's backyard for Sept. 14th. More details will be forthcoming.

JOPLIN DISASTER RELIEF. Bernie Zylstra and Joel Wiltrout left for Joplin August 27, and returning on September 3rd. They have been doing roofing in 100 + degree weather. Thank you to those who have inquired and prayed for them during this time.

SERVING SCHEDULE

- Sept. 4** - 9:00 Nursery - Jill C.
10:30 Nursery - Chelsey K, Olivia E.
Ushers: RandyL, TomC, KenN, HarveyM.
Communion Med. - Bernie Z.
Jr. Worship - Tammy O.
Greeters - Kevin & Shannon B.
- Sept. 11** - 9:00 Nursery - Arlene M.
10:30 Nursery - DianaV, MissyY.
Ushers: DonM, PhilP, LouS, TimG.
Communion Med. - Tom C.
Jr. Worship - Tara J.
Greeters - Mark & DeAnn P.
- Sept. 18** - 9:00 Nursery - Tammy O.
10:30 Nursery - BonnieH, ElissaS.
Ushers - AIG, MarkP, KevinB, TimG.
Communion Med. - Dick A.
Jr. Worship - Lindsay J.
Greeters - Chad & Laura E.
- Sept. 25** - 9:00 Nursery - Jill C.
10:30 Nursery - Erin E, Katie S.
Ushers - DickA, RickM, BobT, DaveS.
Communion Med. - Lou S.
Jr. Worship - Sally M.
Greeters - Al & Michelle G.

If you are unable to serve, please get a substitute.

Since we are going to 2 services, in some cases 2 sets of servers will be needed. A new schedule will be available on Sunday, Sept. 4 for the last 2 Sundays.

ELDER'S CORNER

During devotions we read comments by Max Lucado regarding "Fog". I wish to adapt it. "It's a heavy cloud that honors no person. Depression, discouragement, disappointment, doubt... all are companions of this dreaded presence."

Internationally, nationally, regionally and locally, we have experienced "fog" tragedies. They blind our vision and destroy our dreams. Whether betrayed by friends, abandoned by parents, dumped by employers, divorced by a spouse, loss of loved one through death, overwhelmed by disaster or frightened by molesters, we encounter broken hearts, wounded spirits and disappointed plans and walk about in a fog.

"When this billowing blackness envelops us, the most earnest words of help and hope are but empty phrases," says Max.

The next time you are cast down or suffering, rise above the din of fog and observe God at work. He could well be, and is, the greatest gift in such a dismal hour. Watch closely as the fog of your circumstance lifts. It may take time but it will happen.

Romans 3:31 says, "If God is for us, no one can defeat us" (N.C.V.) and Paul advises us further in Ephesians 3:17, "I pray that Christ will live in your hearts by faith and that your life will be strong in love and be built on love." (N.C.V.) One of my favorite songs goes, "Cheer up ye saints of God, there's nothing to worry about. Nothing to make you feel afraid. Nothing to make you doubt."

So, cheer up dear brother and sister and let the SON shine in.

By Bernie Zylstra

Changes in the Worship Service Schedules Coming this Fall

This fall brings a change to the Landmark Christian Church Sunday morning worship schedule. Beginning September 18 we will be offering **two worship services**. The first service, as well as the Sunday school offerings, will be from 9:00-10:00AM. The second service will be from 10:30-11:45. Several reasons precipitated this change.

Upcoming Sermon Series: *HEAVEN - OUR FOREVER HOME*

Would you like seven weeks of heaven this fall? Then be here every Sunday morning starting Sept. 18. Our pastor's sermons, plus Sunday School study, will focus on what the Bible says about heaven.

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| Sept. 18 | A Place for You |
| Sept. 25 | What Happens to People in Hell? |
| Oct. 2 | A Tour of the New Earth |
| Oct. 9 | What Will We Do in Heaven? |
| Oct. 16 | What Will We Be Like in Heaven? |
| Oct. 23 | Living in Light of Eternity |
| Oct. 30 | Longing for Home |

*Peeling back
the Layers of
the Unknown!*



FREE CLINIC - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 - 10:00AM TO 2:30PM

We will offer many of the same services as in the past. Below is a list of areas and those who will be organizing them. If you can help in a certain area, please speak to the person listed.

Setting up and Taking down - Mike Cohoon; **GateKeeper/DoorKeeper** - Patti & Dave Spaulding; **Oil Change Area** - Dan Brehmer; **Spa Area** - Dana Brehmer; **Children's Area On/Off Site** - Julie Griner & Mike Cohoon; **Grocery and Clothing Area** - Jean Zylstra; **Meals** - Patty Chelmo; **Nursing** - Amanda Chladek; **Physicians** - Mike Cohoon; **Photography** - ? ; **Hosts** - Mike Cohoon.

WE NEED HOSTS - many, many hosts! What is a host? As people come to the clinic, the host will greet them, make them feel welcome and comfortable, and help them get the services they need. Be a friend to those with needs - be Jesus' hands and feet and heart!

BOOK CLUB: Our September meeting is going to be Sept. 26, 6:45pm at Jean Zylstra's home. We will be discussing the book Prayers for Sale by Sandra Dalles.

Jean Hebert, author of "Beyond the Open Well" will be with us, sharing about how she came to write this story and what is happening now with the people involved. You are invited to join us for an enjoyable time.

Gifts given for the **Youth Hostel for Christmas** totaled \$350. We would like to double that by Nov. 1 - this will give each child Christmas gifts totaling \$8.00 each. Just mark your check accordingly. Thanks.

National Missionary Convention will be held in Atlanta, GA. The theme is: "Not of This World". Let Mike know if you can go, rooms need to be reserved.

Thanks to Dan & Sandy Zylstra and Brad Crocker for providing transportation to Packer Training Camp. It was a great time for the guys that went.

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COMING EVENTS

Sept. 7 - Sr. Saints Study begins

Sept. 11 - New Sunday School Classes begin

Sept. 11- Block Party

Sept. 12 - Mentor Mtg. 2:45 - Parkview

Sept. 14 - WOW begins - 6:30

Sept. 18 - Two services begin

Oct. 22 - Free Clinic

Nov. 14-21 - Operation Christmas Child

Nov. 17-21 - Nat'l Missionary Convention

Check out articles throughout the newsletter for details on the above dates.

TIMES OF SERVICE

9:00 - First Worship Service
with Nursery

9:00 Bible School~all ages

10:00 - 10:30 Fellowship

10:30 Second Worship Service
with Nursery & Jr. Worship

WEBSITE—CHECK IT OUT

www.landmarkchristianchurch.org

Sunday's sermons are now online
along with current happenings.

Our Vision Statement: Our purpose is to GUIDE people into God's family, GROW in faith, GIVE by sharing Christ and serving others, GO where God leads and GLORIFY God.