

THE CORNERSTONE CONNECTION

CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Scott's Perspective — "The Battle of the Mind"

Is your thought life making you sick? Is your thought life making you miserable or tense or anxious or depressed?

Many people ruin their health by abusing or neglecting their bodies. But some people take good care of their bodies – and yet ruin their health by the way they think.

For example, anger serves a useful purpose when we are confronted with a threat to our health or safety because anger produces hormones such as adrenalin that equip our bodies to defend ourselves or run from danger. But when we think angry thoughts about something that happened hours – or months – or years ago, the angry thoughts produce unneeded hormones that become toxins in bodies. *Dwelling on angry or resentful or bitter thoughts can literally make us sick as well as miserable.*

Painful past experiences can wound us deeply for a time, but unless that painful experience is kept alive by unhealthy thinking on our part, that past event can only harm us for a limited time. After that, it is our own mind and unhealthy thoughts that continue to make us miserable.

Nothing in your past can doom you to unhappiness the rest of your life. *Only your own thought life has the power to make you chronically miserable because of something that happened in the past. **Forgiveness sets us free from continuing bondage to past painful experiences.***

The mind is the strategic battlefield in which decisive spiritual battles are won and lost. Many Christians do not fully understand this battle for the mind. They assume that all thoughts in their mind are their thoughts. And

they assume that their thoughts are a reflection of who they are and the way life is. They assume that there's no more sense in trying to change your thought life than there is in trying to change from being left-handed into right-handed.

"All my thoughts are my own – coming from my own heart and my own mind -- and are just something I need to live with and put up with and accept as part of who I am." That is the **false** assumption under which many people live.

Did you know that not all your thoughts are yours – that some are lies planted by the devil and can – and must be -- decisively rejected and replaced with truth?

You can't change your past – but you can change your mind!

You can change your thinking -- you can replace the lies with truth.

And by changing your thinking, you can change your present life and your future.

When we believe the enemy's lies – we give the devil a foothold in our lives – a base of operations from which he can work to deceive us and turn us away from God and distort our thinking and damage our relationships.

*Why is it that some people recover so well from tragic circumstances and painful experiences and traumatic events – whereas other people are debilitated by similar painful experiences for life? **Satan gains a stronghold in our lives when he attaches a lie to a painful experience and we believe the lie. The lie damages us more in the long run than the painful experience itself.***

What kinds of lies get attached to painful and traumatic and abusive experiences?

- You are worthless
- This happened because you are a defective person who is not worthy of being treated any better

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Upcoming Events

- Feb. 5 AM Communion
- Feb. 7 Day of Fasting
7:00 p.m. Prayer Service
- Feb. 8 4:00 p.m.
Kids Baptism Class
- Feb. 10-12 Dare 2 Share,
St. Louis
- Feb. 12 Covenant
Marriage Sunday
6:00 p.m. Home Groups
- Feb. 15 6:30 p.m.
Women's Ministry
"Date Night"
- Feb. 17 & 18 EQUIP,
Peoria, Illinois
- Feb. 19 Bring-A-Friend
Sunday
Baby Bottles due
6:00 p.m. Home Groups
- Feb. 24 7:00 p.m.
AWANA Bible Quiz,
Muscatine
- Feb. 26
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- Feb. 28 5:30-9:00 p.m.
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- You are damaged goods and might as well continue in sin because no decent and kind person will ever be interested in you
- This proves that God doesn't love you and cannot be counted on to be there for you when you need Him
- You brought this on yourself
- You have a right to be habitually angry or depressed because of what you suffered
- You can't trust anyone or let yourself get close to anyone because this is what people do – they let you down and hurt you
- No one would ever love you if they knew this about you
- God will never be able to use you in His service after this

I don't want to minimize the impact or severity of the abuse or painful experience; but 20 years later much more damage will be done by the lies than by the painful event itself.

*You can't change your past – but you can change your mind! You can change your thinking -- you can replace the lies with truth. **And by changing your thinking, you can change your present life and your future.***

Winning the battle for the mind is a process of **Recognize / Reject & Rebuke / and Replace the lies with Scriptural truth.**

- (1) **Recognize the Lies.** Not all your thoughts are yours – some are lies planted by the devil. **Recognize those lies for what they are. They are not just a normal and natural part of your thinking process – they are LIES.**

Church Financial Report

Giving to the General Fund (church budget) has averaged \$6,607 per week during the first four Sundays of January (compared to budget of \$7,655).

For the fiscal year (April 1 - March 31), our budget shortfall thus far is nearly \$25,000. Because our spending is also under budget, all bills are paid. We do not engage in deficit spending. However, we are short \$6000 in our giving from the budget to the Debt Retirement Fund.

Giving to the Building Fund thus far in January has totaled \$7,255. Our monthly mortgage payments are \$9000. (We have some reserve funds.)

Our goal is to put \$36,000 from the budget into the Debt Retirement Fund by March 31. (This is in addition to money

(2) **Reject & Rebuke** that lie. Once you recognize a certain thought as being a lie – then you have a decision to make: *you can either dwell on that thought, accept that thought, believe that lie – or you can **Reject** that thought. **You do not need to accept every thought that comes into your head!** You are the Gatekeeper to your mind. **It is only by your permission that a particular thought can stay in your mind.** If a thought enters your mind that is false or unclean or sinful or vile – then reject that thought and cast it out of your mind.*

(3) **Replace lies with Scriptural truth. Just as light dispels darkness – so also truth must be stated and believed in order to dispel lies.** Having rejected the lies and evil thoughts and having cast them out of your mind – you must now replace the lies with biblical truth. **You must occupy your mind with good thoughts or else the enemy will return with bad thoughts.**

Recognize // Reject & Rebuke // Replace the lies with Scriptural truth. This is what Paul means when he talks about *taking captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.* (II Corinthians 10:5)

For a fuller explanation of these principles, check out www.cornerstonebaptistch.org and go to the sermons link and scroll down to the 1/15/06 sermon, “The Battle for the Mind.”

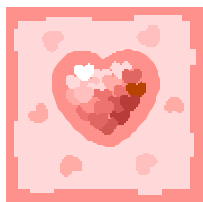
I will also be covering many of the principles again in upcoming sermons in the current sermon series: “The Healing Power of the Grace and Truth of Jesus Christ.”

given directly to the Building Fund to pay the mortgage). As of Dec. 31, \$21,000 had been set aside. The Debt Retirement Fund will help us to pay off our ROCK Bonds and to pay down our mortgage principal ahead of schedule. This item in the budget also prepares us for the day (in 2008) when our Capital Funds Campaign will be finished and we will need to make our monthly mortgage payments from the budget.

We will need a strong finish to our fiscal year in order to reach these goals. Some of you will be receiving tax refunds before March 31. We encourage you to consider making an extra gift to Cornerstone's general fund for the budget so that we can provide for all of our ministry expenses and missions commitments and also reach our \$36,000 goal for the Debt Retirement Fund.

A Word From Pastor Mark

On the way to Tony Rupe and Elisabeth Carlson's wedding last Saturday God reminded me of His love in a powerful way. As I was driving through Clinton along highway 30, I saw a man digging in a large dumpster for cans and whatever else might be useful to him. I began to wonder what his life was like. What brought him to this point in his life? What story did the man have regarding his upbringing? As I was thinking about this man, God sent a message to my mind. I did not hear God speak audibly but He spoke into my mind the following statement, "I do not care about how bad his past is. His past doesn't matter. I love him anyways." That is so true. No matter what our past entails- whether it is squeaky clean or full of horrible pain and unwise decisions God deeply loves us. And in both scenarios- whether a clean life or a life full of poor choices and sin- neither earns God's love. His love is not based upon how good we are. It is based upon God's criteria- His own character. Ephesians 2:8-9 in



The Message paraphrase reads, "Saving is all his idea, and all his work. All we do is trust him enough to let him do it. It's God's gift from the start to the finish! We don't play the major role. If we did, we'd probably go around bragging that we'd done the whole thing! No, we neither make nor save ourselves. God does both the making and saving."

What a joy it is to be loved by God. He does not hold us to our past. He frees us to be who we are meant to be- Christlike children. May we extend the same love that has been extended to us by God to others. Remember to pass it on.

By the way, if you have any stories of how God has used the No Strings cards please let me know. May we be an encouragement to one another.

Do you want to read a book that might change your life?

The Mark of the Lion Series

By: Francine Rivers

One Jewess, enslaved and nearly killed by the Romans. One Roman aristocrat, unhappy with life and its quests. One German made gladiator, primitive and full of hate and vengeance. One Roman woman, confused and manipulated. What kind of life is there for Jews and tribesmen in the days of the conquests of Rome? What difference can one person possibly make in a world full of corruption and deceit? Is mere faith enough when the price is your life? Love often comes unexpectedly, but can a Roman really love a Jew; can a man filled with hate escape becoming what he despises most?

Forgiveness ... can anyone truly forgive and forget?

~ Can you forgive, no matter what?

Death ... sudden and harsh

~ Can you trust in a God who lets your life fall apart and your very heart to be broken?

Love ... is true love forever?

~ Is there really such thing as tough love ... will you trust your God, or your heart?

Betrayal ... unexpected and life changing

~ What do you do when your only ally hurts you the worst?

Can God really care about you as an individual when the whole world is falling apart? Can God's love really conquer all doubts and hurts? Do you want to read a book that might forever change your life?

By Marcie Van Ee

PS This book series is available in the Cornerstone library!!



Covenant Marriage Sunday — Feb. 12

Along with many other churches, Cornerstone will be observing *Covenant Marriage Sunday* on **Sunday, February 12**. Pastor Scott's sermon will focus on the Covenant of Marriage.

Married couples will have the opportunity to commit to this Covenant: *Believing that Marriage is a covenant intended by God to be a lifelong fruitful relationship between a man and a woman, we vow to God, each other, our families, and our com-*

munity to remain steadfast in unconditional love, reconciliation, and sexual purity, while purposefully growing in our covenant marriage relationship.

Pastor Scott will also be speaking on marriage on Feb. 19, which will be a "Bring-a-Friend" Sunday. The sermon topic will be: *"Love and Respect in Marriage."*

Pastor Tony's No Limits News

This month we are going to the Dare 2 Share conference "Revolution" in St. Louis with the youth. I am excited about the potential this event will have. I am also encouraged by the amount of encouragement that they provide our youth for free before the conference. Here is a weekly Email they put out called Soul Fuel. I wanted to let you see it.

When you finish reading this, you will be faced with an extremely important and potentially life changing choice. You will choose to be like one of two people that I'm going to tell you about right now.

Person #1

An east coaster named Hetty Green. A more accurate name for her would have actually been Hetty Green *backs* - because she was all about the Benjamins. So many, in fact, that when she died her net worth was over \$100 million dollars. That might not sound like that much at face value today, but Hetty passed away in 1916, which by today's standards would make her a multi-billionaire.

Some things you need to know about the richest woman in the world at the time:

Hetty regularly ate cold oatmeal because it cost too much to heat it.

Her son had his leg amputated because she took so long to get him adequate care...why? Because she was looking for a free clinic!

She owned one dress at a time and only changed underclothes when they wore out (eewwww!)

Hetty died of a stroke during an argument over milk. Her position was that skim was the best because it was the cheapest.

At her disposal was incredible wealth, but she lived like she was incredibly poor. She never took advantage of all the amazing things she could have done with her riches.

Person #2

A west coaster named Bob. He lived on the opposite side of the country from Hetty in the opposite financial situation from her as well. He was as poor and penniless as a pauper until he received some important news. Apparently he was the only living relative of a filthy rich British royalty person. So what did Bob choose to do? The same thing you or I would do...get off the couch and go for it! He went to an expensive clothing store, bought an expensive suit, then bought an expensive ticket to England where he claimed his inheritance and - as far as I know - lived happily ever after.

Person #3

Person #3 is actually you - and you will decide to be like person #1 or person #2...(OK, OK - I'll lay off the Dr. Seuss imitation). You are the heir to an astounding fortune - not made of cash, but of something worth infinitely more: spiritual gifts. Money can be used to build people's temporary and little earthly kingdoms, but using your spiritual gifts can be used to build God's eternal and universal Kingdom.

This is where the choice comes in. You can be a Hetty Green and keep your amazing spiritual gifts and talents locked away, or you can be like British boy Bob...get off the couch - go for it - and live happily ever after! To me, the choice seems pretty obvious, because what you decide to do or not do will have a great impact on how you spend eternity.

Notice I said "how" you spend eternity, not "where", because this isn't about your heavenly reservation...it's about your heavenly reward (or lack thereof). Don't for a minute think that there won't be degrees of rewards in the afterlife (see Matthew 19:30), because that's the kind of thinking that breeds lazy Christians - and we've got plenty of them already.

But perhaps the choice isn't that obvious, or maybe you're just not motivated to do the fun (and hard) work of learning about spiritual gifts, discovering yours, and finding a place in your youth group and/or church to use them. Don't worry, you're not alone. There were people in Jesus' day that had the same attitude, so Jesus told them this story: Check out Matthew 25:14-30.

Yikes! I'm not entirely sure what gnashing of teeth is all about, but I understand weeping - as in great sorrow for those who buried their spiritual gifts who one day have to give an account to Jesus' face for how they used them - or didn't use them.

So use them - because I guarantee living happily ever in heaven starts with looking into Christ's face and hearing Him say: "Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let's celebrate together!"

Up Coming Events:

Wednesday 1st No Limits 7:00-8:30

Sunday Feb 5th No Limits Super Bowl Party.
4:30 till 9:00 Cost \$ 3.00

Wednesday 8th No Limits 7:00-8:30

February 10-12th Dare 2 Share Revolution tour
Sr High Retreat/ mission trip.

Wednesday 15th No Limits Valentines Service Project.
"Date Night" 6:30-8:30

Sunday 19th Possible Airsoft / Paintball TBA

Wednesday 22nd No Limits 7:00-8:30

Putting on Your Sunday Face

I had a difficult start to a Sunday morning recently. I could have cried at the drop of a hat, so when I arrived at church and was greeted by someone, saying, "Hi, Teresa. How are you?" I had two choices: I could have said, "Fine, and you?" or I could have said, "Quite honestly, I'm struggling." Looking back, I was wise to have chosen the latter. This person said she would pray for me, and I believe she did. I also had a couple other friends who noticed that I "wasn't myself" and offered to pray for me on the spot. Those prayers lifted me up out of my pit and sent me into my week feeling like I could overcome the obstacles that lay ahead. The week that followed was a strong one for me, and I believe it was because of prayer.

Though it may be difficult to admit when we are struggling, it can often be the first step toward getting out of a difficult situation. Always saying that we're fine when we're not can give the impression that we don't have any problems and it can make other people wonder why they themselves do. It can also be a tool of the enemy to keep us from getting the prayer support that we desperately need.

When we put on our Sunday faces each week, let's be real. Sunday is a day of worship and fellowship, and true fellowship comes when we're

Equip Ministries

Equip Ministries — 2006 — is fast approaching. This is a fantastic Christian Workers Conference coming to Peoria Civic Center on February 17-18. This conference offers our church workers so much at such a low cost — with such a close distance. This is not for Children's workers only, but for any who are involved in church ministry. Special Seminars will be offered for Youth ministries, Small Group ministries, Women's ministries (with Mary Whelchel — heard daily on WDLM).

A sampling of the workshops are: Mentoring and Prayer Teams Ministries, Evangelism and Missions, Exploring the

CLASS 201 Blueprint for Maturity — Tuesday, Feb. 28th 5:30-9:00 PM

If you have completed CLASS 101- Blueprint for Membership and are now a member, or you have been a member for a while then the next step for you is CLASS 201. CLASS 201 is the next step in the "Life Development Process." We will be discussing three basic truths about spiritual growth.

First, spiritual growth is not **automatic**. Our spiritual development does not grow with age. Spiritual growth comes when we commit to grow.

Second, spiritual growth is a **process**. It is not some mystical or magical formula. But rather it is a gradual process and any Christian can grow. CLASS 201 gives **you** the tools to progress in spiritual growth.

Third, spiritual maturity takes **discipline**. Ultimately God is doing the work, but He uses the effort and time we put into our growth. And unlike physical exercise that is only good in this life, spiritual exercise (through the disciplines) is good in this life and the life to come. The spiritual disciplines or habits we will be looking at are the habits of

By Teresa Bivens

real with one another. We certainly don't want to always be wearing sad faces and listing all of our problems to everyone we greet, but if we're struggling it's okay to admit it and ask for prayer. Likewise, let's be sincere in praying for others who admit that they are struggling. Remember that the Intercessory Prayer Team is available and willing to pray for anyone who has a need each Sunday morning after the service in the front, right section of pews in the sanctuary.

Fire & Reign Service!

Tuesday, February 7, 2006

7:00 in ROCK 216

Come whether or not you've fasted that day.

A casual time of worshiping, sharing, and praying.

By Mary Sue Ryan

Heart of Children's Ministries, VBS previews, Spiritual Warfare, and the Church's Role in World-wide Outreach.

Again, some comments I heard last year were "I have learned so much" and "I wish I had come to this years ago." I am urging ministry leaders and workers in all areas of our church to give this conference a try. Equip booklets and information are in the church office, or you may see Pastor Mark concerning signing up for one or two days of the conference. Give it a try — you'll be glad you did.

spending time with God, prayer, fellowship and giving. We also look at renewing the mind, which will help you to fight against Satan's accusations.

This 3.5 hour, one-day class, is worth your time. If you are new to the Christian life CLASS 201 will give you the tools to grow in your relationship with Christ. If you have been a believer in Christ, CLASS 201 will remind you of the need for practicing spiritual disciplines and will encourage you to develop them more fully in your life. CLASS 201 will help each of you to progress in the Christian life. No matter what stage of life you are in, this class will be helpful. CLASS 201 is a prerequisite for CLASS 301- Blueprint for Ministry, which focuses on discovering your S.H.A.P.E. (spiritual gift, heart, abilities, personality and experiences) for ministry.

If you want to sign-up please call Pastor Mark @ 285.8080 or email him @ zev4cbc@netins.net.

Parish Nurse Corner

“Parish Nursing exists at Cornerstone Baptist Church to minister to the body of Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, by helping to meet health care needs (Mt.35:35-36) to live life abundantly (Jn10:10b).”

There is nothing more endearing than a child's smile, particularly when that smile is a reflection of good health and dental care. For this very reason, the month of February has been designated Children's Dental Health Month. Your child's dental health is influenced by multiple actors, including diet, daily dental care, exposure to fluoride, and frequency of dental visits. With proper care and regular check-ups, many children can reach adulthood without developing tooth decay.

Dietary habits can greatly influence your child's dental health. The sticky film of bacterial plaque that is constantly forming on teeth combines with sugar and starch to create an acid that attacks tooth enamel, resulting in cavities. For this reason, avoid frequent exposure to sugared drinks and frequent between meal snacking.

Daily dental care is critical for children. Brushing twice a day and flossing are necessary to maintain healthy teeth and gums. Use only a pea-sized amount of fluoride, toothpaste. By age seven, your child should be able to brush alone. Use hand held flossers for younger children until they can master it on their own, and supervise brushing and flossing to be certain the child is doing both properly. Fluoride is a “tooth vitamin” that strengthens teeth and protects them from decay. It is found in toothpastes, fluoridated

city water, and some mouth rinses. Dentists routinely give concentrated treatments of fluoride at your child's six month check-ups to boost your child's resistance to cavities.

Regular dental check-ups, beginning by age 3, allow any problems to be detected early, when damage is minimal and restorations may be small. In addition, preventive dental care such as cleanings, sealants, and fluoride treatments, ensure that your child will have the tools necessary for a smile that will last a lifetime.

Join us February 12th in the Rock Center for free samples, children's toothbrushes, flossers and more information! I will be available to answer any dental questions.

Marianna Beattie VonMuenster D.D.S

Sunday, February 12th we will be having our semi-annual blood pressure clinic and Children's Dental Health table in the R.O.C.K. Center from 8:30 - 8:55 and following church services from 11:30 -12:00. Hope to see many of you there.

Ladies, please mark your calendar! The annual women's retreat will be Friday and Saturday, March 3rd and 4th here at Cornerstone. The theme is “Survivors: Seasons of Life” More details to come from the Women's Ministry.

Missions Committee Update

There are four people from Cornerstone attending the Perspectives on Missions class in Iowa City. We have attended just 2 classes so far and have found them very good. Some of what I have learned is that God is a missionary God. The entire Bible includes God's mandate for missions. I especially have always called Matthew 28:18-20 the Great Commission. While that is certainly a call for us to do mission work, there is much more of a mandate than that alone.

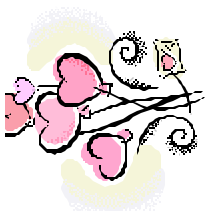
In Genesis 12:1-3 when God called Abraham, he said, “Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great and you will be a blessing; I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse: and all the peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

In our book, *Perspectives on the World Christian Movement*, John R. W. Stott says, “If God has promised to bless ‘all the families of the earth,’ he has promised to do so ‘through Abraham's seed’ (Genesis 12:3; 22:18). Now we are Abraham's seed by faith, and the earth's families will be blessed only if we go to them with the gospel. That is God's purpose. It is this expression more than any other which reveals the living God of the Bible to be a missionary God.... “We need to become global Christians with a global vision, for we have a global God.”

Of course, part of the globe is right here in our own community and country and while we do not want to forget about the people close to our home needing the Salvation provided through the life, death, burial and resurrection of Jesus, you can see that we are clearly called and mandated to go to other nations with the Gospel as well.

Jeff Lewis who was our first speaker said, “Obedience authenticates our declaration of being His child”. In obedience to this mandate, Deb Luett will be in Mexico January 28-February 5 and in March Pastor Scott and Beth will be going to Nepal and assisting their daughter, Jill, in her mission work.

Some opportunities for **you** to be obedient in taking the Gospel of Jesus to the nations include a trip to Moldova in June. Please see Lucy Schmidt (441-9043) for information about this trip. There will also be an informational meeting on Tuesday, February 7, at 7:00 pm in the Library. Your help is always needed with the Urban Edge/Mt. Joy Missions right here in our own community. Please see Terry & Lori Major (285-5280) about helping with Urban Edge and Jan Kloss (843-2652) to assist with the Mt. Joy ministry.



February 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>5 8:40 a.m. Prayer AM Communion 2-4 p.m. Heritage School Open House 4:30-9:00 p.m. No Limits Super Bowl Party</p>	<p>6 6:30-8:15 p.m. AWANA 6:45 p.m. Prayer Mtg.</p>	<p>7 Day of Fasting 7:00 p.m. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Moldova Missions Info. Mtg. 7:30 p.m. College- Career-Singles/Deakers</p>	<p>1 6:30 a.m. Men at Maid-Rite, Eldridge 7:00 p.m. NL Prayer Support/Library 7:00 p.m. Jr & Sr. High No Limits 7:00 p.m. Men & Women's Bible Study 8:15 p.m. Deacons</p>	<p>2 6:30 p.m. Co-ed Volleyball/ROCK</p>	<p>3 9:00 a.m.-noon Moms & Kids/ROCK</p>	<p>4 7:00-8:30 a.m. Men of Integrity Breakfast</p>
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February Birthdays:

1 Patti Pierce
Shelby Arndt

4 Rose Burklow

5 Joni Evers

7 Bryan Payton

9 Elijah Brady
Justin Danielsen

10 Debbie O'Connell
Caleb Burt
Laura Munson

11 Roxanna Marlow

14 Jalois Crotty
Jim Hackett

15 Cody Faust
Andy Ranfeld
Jackson Zevenbergen
Steve Von Muenster

16 Brianna Dalton

18 Bonnie Perry

19 Jodi Green
Nate Bader
Jason Owens
Charles Milnes

22 Chris McCabe

23 Eden Olsen

February Anniversaries:

2 Mike & Kris Mohr

24 Terry & Lucy Schmidt (40 years)
Jamie & Ellen Burt

24 Christian Owens
Caralyn Butler
Chapman Arter

25 Travis Grell
Dick Armbruster

26 Jenny Burklow

28 Devin Allison

2006 Summer Camps & Retreats

Camps:

- June 18-23 Junior's Camp
For students entering 4th & 5th grade '06
- June 18-23 Girl's Wilderness Camp
For students entering 7th-12th grade '06
Graduates welcome
- June 25-30 Sixer's Camp
For students entering 6th grade '06
- June 25-30 Boy's Wilderness Camp
For students entering 7th-12th grade '06
Graduates welcome
- July 5-8 Base Camp
For students entering 2nd & 3rd grade '06
- July 9-14 Junior High Camp
For students entering 7th & 8th grade '06
- July 16-21 Senior High Camp
For students entering 9th-12th grade '06
Graduates welcome

Contact Marvin Van Ee to sign up for above camps.

CPC Baby Bottle Boomerang

Your "Change" can help us make a change by providing ultrasound and a wide variety of services to women in unplanned pregnancies. Nickels and quarters and thin little dimes, add up to DOLLARS, in such a short time.

CPC Pregnancy Resources is a life affirming organization that has been serving clients since 1990. CPCPR does not make abortion referrals. Our Centers in Moline and Davenport provide free of charge: Pregnancy Tests, Ultrasounds,

Attention: Ladies

Women's Ministry "Date Night"

Wednesday, February 15th 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Take your hubby out while the No Limits Youth provide FREE babysitting here at Cornerstone!! Sign-ups will be in foyer.

Cornerstone Women's Retreat

March 3 & 4 in the ROCK Center
Theme: "Survivors: Seasons of Life"
Devotional by Myrna Strasser from WDLM — Book of Ruth
Special time for testimonies plus other activities

Hearts at Home Conference

March 17 & 18 in Normal, Illinois
Moms of all ages are invited to attend the conference.
Lysa TerKeurst, Julie Ann Barnhill and Sara Groves will be featured. Call 309-888-MOMS. Registration ends 2/18.

Retreats:

- May 26-29 Family Retreat Weekend
See Jim & Dee McGimpsey to sign up
- June 30-July 4 Family Camp
See Marvin Van Ee to sign up
- August 5 Pine Lake 50th Anniversary Celebration
- September 15-17 Men's Retreat
- September 22-24 Women's Retreat

\$25 discount if registered by May 1, 2008

First Time Camper at Pine Lake? Receive a free t-shirt

Bring a First Time Camper and you both receive a free t-shirt

Now recruiting summer staff — need to be college age student or adult. More information is available on the Pine Lake Christian Center website — www.pinelakechristiancamp.org

Parenting Program, Maternity/Baby clothes/furnishings, Diapers, Bible Studies, and education on abortion risks, Fetal development, Adoption, Sexual Abstinence and Post Abortion Grief.

Pick up your "baby bottle" in the foyer — **all bottles are due back by February 19th.**

ATTENTION: NSHS Youth

Cornerstone North Scott High School Youth are invited to a bible study on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 7:20 in Mr. Guge's room.

"Revelation Action" is a bible study and prayer group led by students that is open to anyone who is interested and follows the principles outlined in Matthew 28:19. If you have questions, please contact Chad Guge or Brianna Semran.

Kids Baptism Class

Wednesday, February 8th at 4:00 p.m. Please contact Pastor Mark if interested.

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"Family" News



Congratulations to:

Elisabeth Carlson and Tony Rupe who were united in marriage on Saturday, January 21st.

AND

Denise McCabe and Doug Halstead who were united in marriage on Sunday, January 22nd.

May God bless you with many happy years of marriage!

Bring a Friend Sunday – Feb. 19th

Family, Sunday, Feb 19th will be a great time to invite a couple- whether dating, engaged or married to Cornerstone for a special service designed to help strengthen relationships. Pastor Scott will be preaching on the issue of love and respect. It will prove to be very helpful for any male and female relationships. You do not want to miss this message nor will your friends want to miss it. They will be thanking you because you invited them to Cornerstone.

There will be invitations in the bulletin in the near future. Begin praying about who God would like you to touch.

Pastor Mark

**Don't miss the Quarterly Business Meeting
this Sunday, January 29th immediately
following the morning worship!**