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Early Sunday worship 8:30 am

Sunday Christian education hour 10:00 am

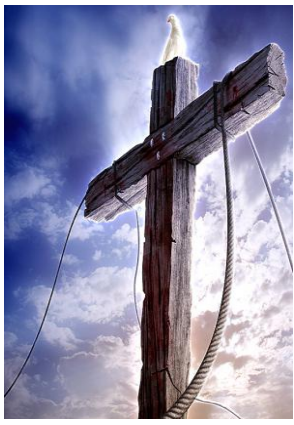
Later Sunday worship 11:00 am

Spanish worship service (chapel) 11:00 am

Sunday evening prayer meeting 6:30 pm

Wednesday discipleship night 7:30 pm

February 7, 2010



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“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the day approaching.”

Hebrews 10:25

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News

Our **prayer meeting** will meet at 6:30 pm in the chapel.

Are you ready for some football? Come back this evening at 6 pm for an evening of fun and fellowship. We will watch the **big game** together and feast on some fabulous hot, hot, hot chili, corn bread and other great junk food. Bring your friends and neighbors to this outreach and show them that Christians like to have fun!

Our **new member class #5** meets at 10 am in the sanctuary. Our **baptism class** for children age 12 and under meets in room 11 at the same time.

Discipleship night classes meet this Wednesday at 7:30 pm. Come to our Book of Acts class where you will meet those who, through the Holy Spirit, persevered despite persecution to spread the Word of God. **Youth** meet in the chapel and **Kingdom Kidz** meet in the fellowship hall. Nursery is provided for children age 5 and under. Pick up a brochure on the kiosk for information on other adult classes.

We will rehearse for our **Easter drama** this Saturday at 10am.

Would you like to advertise your business or service in our Easter drama program where hundreds of people will read about it?

Contact Candy Algarin with 7angels@aol.com or 732-372-2642.

The deadline is March 7. The rates are: boosters (\$5), 6 lines (\$25), half page (\$125), and full page (\$175).

Women's ministries invites all women to the **NJ District annual convention** which is being held at the Chestnut Assembly of God in Vineland on February 27, from 9 am – 3 pm. The cost is \$25 (\$10 for Mpact girls) with an optional lunch available for \$8. Contact Johanna Astuto (jastuto28@yahoo.com or 732-446-1646) if you are interested in going.

Our marriage & family ministry **Valentine diner dance** is this Saturday, 7 pm at the Freehold Radisson Hotel.

Next Sunday

8:30 & 11 am **Worship celebrations** – Pastor Joe will speak on “Resolution Solution.”

Our **building offering** will be received

10 am **Baptism class** in room 14 for adults, and room 11 for children

11 am Kingdom Kidz worship in the fellowship hall

2 pm John L. Montgomery care center service

Upcoming events

Feb. 19 Women's Zumba exercise, 7:45 pm

Young adult roller skating, 8 pm

Feb. 20 Van driver safety course, 8 am – 4 pm

Feb. 21 Shalom ministry, Kosher dining experience at Levy's in Manalapan, 1 pm – sign up on kiosk

Feb. 26 -28 **Youth winter retreat** at Spruce lake in Mt. Pocono, Pa. The cost is \$149 and is due this Wednesday. See Pastor Obadiah to sign up.

Our **Saturday prayer meeting** will meet at 7 pm at the home of Phyllis Esposito in Morganville.

Happy Birthday this week to:

Wolde Salam Simon (*today!*)

Adanze Benjamin (2/8)

Medjinn Charley (2/8)

Gary Hinton (2/8)

Patricia Smolanoff (2/8)



Jacquelyn Clarke (2/8)

Magda Mendez (2/11)

Alec Rosen (2/11)

Regi Baby (2/12)

Marcus Flax (2/12)

We need you to consider our guests on Sunday morning for the later service and please park across the street. Visitors are not aware that there is additional parking available to us and often leave if the parking lot is full.

Our next **water baptism** will be on Sunday, February 21 at 6:30 pm. Sign up at the kiosk if you are interested in being baptized. A required class for adults will be given next Sunday in room 14.

Pastor Dave is away for the month of February. He also has a new email which is davidlbucci@gmail.com.

“Seven days without prayer makes one weak.” Come out and gain spiritual strength at our prayer meetings. Here is our schedule:

Sunday 6:30 pm, Tuesday 9:30 am (Bible study & prayer),
Wednesday 6:30 am, Thursday 12:30 pm (various homes),
Friday 7:30 pm and Saturday (times and homes vary).

MWC has a 1998, white, Mercury Villager mini-van for sale. It is parked on the left side of the parking lot as soon as you turn in. For more information on the car call Pastor Obadiah.

Mark your calendars now. Our **annual business meeting** will be held on Wednesday, February 24 at 7:30 pm. This is a very important meeting that all members are **required** to attend.

For good, short, Christian videos similar to youtube, Pastor Ken recommends www.tangle.com and www.sermonspice.com

Invite someone to church this week. It's as easy as ABC.

Always look for opportunities to invite others.

Be ready to seize the opportunity

Communicate to show you care

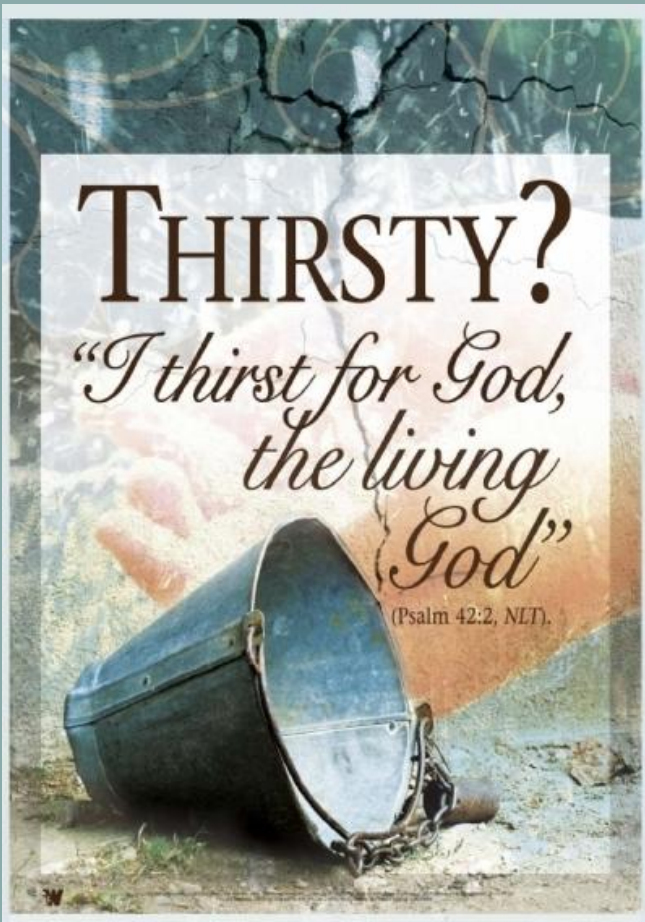
Don't be pushy



55+ ministry is sponsoring 6 year old Marcelo from Quito, Ecuador through the Assemblies of God child sponsorship program, Latin American Child Care. Any 55+ member who would like to be added to our sponsorship program can do so by placing a donation inside an envelope clearly marked with your name, 55+ L.A.C.C. and placing it in the church office mailbox.



Did you hear the one about the policeman and the fox? Read Pastor Ken's blog for that story and also follow up on last week's message on debt, "No Longer under Water." Just visit our website at www.monmouthworship.org and click on the eblogger icon.



NJ RealLife
Women Hosts
Convention 2010

on
Saturday, February 27
9am - 3 pm

Cost \$25
(Mpact girls \$10)
Lunch \$8

At Chestnut Assembly of God in Vineland
contact Johanna Astuto at jastuto28@yahoo.com or
732-446-1646 if you are interested



“It is Finished”

Easter drama

March 27 & 28

at MWC

April 2

at Count Basie theater

There are many areas where help is needed. Search your hearts and ask God where He would have you serve. Will you be an actor or a sponsor? Will you sell tickets? Are you able to sew or repair a costume or paint background scenery and props? Seek His will and do it! (Call Troy Davis or for costumes call Claire McCarthy)



INTERCESSORS FOR AMERICA HOW TO ASCERTAIN THE WILL OF GOD - *George Mueller*

I **never remember**, in all my Christian course, a period now (in March 1895) of sixty-nine years and four months, that I ever **sincerely** and **patiently** sought to know the will of God by the teaching of the Holy Ghost, through the instrumentality of the Word of God, but I have been **always** directed rightly.

But if honesty of heart and uprightness before God were lacking, or if I did not patiently wait upon God for instruction, or if I preferred the counsel of my fellow men to the declarations of the Word of the living God, I made great mistakes.

I **seek** at the beginning to get my heart into such a state that it has no will of its own in regard to a given matter. Nine-tenths of the trouble with people generally is just here. Nine-tenths of the difficulties are overcome when our hearts are ready to do the Lord's will, whatever it may be. When one is truly in this state, it is usually but a little way to the knowledge of what His will is.

1- Having done this, I do not leave the result to feeling or simple impression. If so, I make myself liable to great delusions.

2- I seek the Will of the Spirit of God through, or in connection with, the Word of God. The Spirit and the Word must be combined. If I look to the Spirit alone without the Word, I lay myself open to great delusions also. If, the Holy Ghost guides us at all, He will do it according to the Scriptures and never contrary to them.

3- Next, I take into account providential circumstances. These often plainly indicate God's Will in connection with His Word and Spirit.

4- I ask God in prayer to reveal His Will to me aright.

5- Thus, through prayer to God, the study of the Word, and reflection, I come to a deliberate judgment according to the best of my ability and knowledge, and if my mind is thus at peace, and continues so after two or three more petitions, I proceed accordingly.

In trivial matters, and in transactions involving most important issues, I have found this method always effective.

-Excerpted from "Answers to Prayer" by George Mueller.

"My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me." – John 4:34

FEBRUARY 2010 PRAYER FOCUS

Sunday, February 7, 2010

HAITI - Pray for the establishment of good government in Haiti. Pray for adequate supplies of water food, and medical facilities. Pray that the Lord continue to save lives, heal the injured, restore the disabled, bring comfort to families, and care to the children who were orphaned. Pray that law and order be maintained without bloodshed. Pray for all emergency rescue, medical, military Christian and secular relief agencies, and contractors.

Sunday, February 14, 2010

SEEK GOD FOR THE CITY - Join with millions praying during the annual "Seek God for the City" Lenten "Forty Days to Palm Sunday" vigil which begins this Wednesday. Pray for the lost and that you and those around you will receive biblical hope, be prompted to seek the face of God, to seek His Kingdom, and to do His will.

Sunday, February 21, 2010

RECONCILIATION - Offer thanksgiving that a Resolution of Apology to the Native American Indians was signed into law. Pray that the Lord use this to promote the Church's understanding of its call to the Lord and ministry of reconciliation." (2 Cor 5:18-20) Intercede for racial reconciliation in the Church and in the nation.

Sunday, February 28, 2010

UNEMPLOYED AND NEEDY- Pray that the Lord help the unemployed in your area find work, and that He bless the industries, small businesses, and all employers in your state and region. Pray that food banks and shelters have adequate supplies, resources, and volunteers. Pray for the elderly (especially those near death), the homeless, hungry immigrant, addicted, alcoholic, suicidal or struggling with mental and emotional disorders, and the lonely.

LESSONS FROM THE LIFE OF DANIEL - David Kubal

If anybody understood politics and the rise and fall of administrations, it was Daniel. His initial experiences were with Nebuchadnezzar, king of the Babylonians from 605-561 B.C. You probably know the story. Nebuchadnezzar had a dream and Daniel interpreted it. Daniel and his three friends got promoted, but next there was a plot against them. Daniel's three friends were thrown into a blazing furnace. They were supernaturally delivered and even Nebuchadnezzar praised the God of the Hebrews. Nebuchadnezzar's son, Belshazzar, assumed the throne and threw a big party. The finger of God miraculously appeared and wrote on the wall. Daniel interpreted the words. The message predicted Belshazzar's demise, which brought Darius the Mede to the throne. Shortly after this we find Daniel in the lion's den. Daniel's deliverance in the lion's den caused Darius to honor God. The story continues...

Ups and downs. Successes and failures. But a pattern emerges: God's chosen are in trouble, God supernaturally moves in the life of the King, the King honors God, God's chosen are spared, people around the King are jealous, God's chosen are in trouble once more and it starts again.

It is in Daniel, chapter 9 that we gain tremendous insight into the character of Daniel and how he handles the roller coaster of political leadership. Here are a few aspects of Daniel's life that act as examples to us:

He was a man of faith: "Then I set my face to the Lord God to make my request by prayer and supplication with fasting, sackcloth and ashes." (Dan 9:3) Daniel was not a young man at this point and with all the ups and downs, he was still full of faith. He remained willing to fight for God's purposes to be brought to earth. He easily could have given up many times before, but yet he expectantly interceded for his people. Daniel knew that at any point the King could receive a vision, a message, or writing "could appear on the wall."

He carried a burden for the sins of his people: "... we have sinned and committed iniquity, we have done wickedly and rebelled, even by departing from Your precepts and Your judgments." (Dan 9:5) Even though Daniel himself walked uprightly with God, his heart was pained that his fellow Jews did not. To the American mind this seems preposterous, but it is a great lesson for us-to accept a greater responsibility through prayer and discipleship for how fellow believers walk with God.

He understood the connection between faith and reality: "... the Lord has kept the disaster in mind and brought it upon us ..." (Dan 9:14, 16) In Daniel's mind there was an obvious connection between disasters and people's sins. To him it appears that God, though long suffering, is not a God who will forever permit people to behave the way they desire. As with individuals, God has the ability to corporately guide a nation's actions by the retributions and calamities He permits them to experience. After national disasters it is suddenly acceptable to say "our thoughts and prayers are with you." The rest of the time there are ongoing efforts to eliminate public prayer.

We can learn much from Daniel. We have seen many political ups and downs in recent days. While the present seems particularly dark, we must remain people of expectant faith. With "fasting, sackcloth and ashes," we must continue to intercede for our country. At any point God's finger could write on the wall of the Oval Office and deliver words that could transform many things in short order. We also must surrender our self-centered individuality in order to carry a burden for the righteousness of all the followers of Christ. We need to be pained at the things that pain God's heart.

-Dave Kubal serves as President / CEO of Intercessors for America

