



Calvary Chapel Fernley July Newsletter

"A Family of Believers Growing Together" **ISSUE 29, JULY 2008**

Dates to Remember in July

- 07/09 Senoir Bible Study Resumes
- 07/24 Meet The Candidate Night
- 07/26 Church Work Day
- 07/28 Newsletter Deadline
- 07/28 CPR Training
- 07/28 Board Meeting
- 07/29 Project Linus
- 07/29 Ladies Book Club

Extended Forecast

- 08/03 Awana Planning Meeting
- 08/10 Awana Planning Meeting
- 09/07 Picnic & Baptism by the river
- 09/20 Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 10/04 Ladies Prayer Brunch

Perpetual Calendar

Sundays

- 9:15am Prayer Groups Meet
- 9:45am Sunday Service
- 9:45am Sunday School (K-6th)
- 4th Sunday Communion
- 5:00pm Home Bible Study
off for summer
- 5th Sunday lunch

Mondays

- 7:00pm 1st -Alternating Home
Study Leaders Meeting with
Mission's

- 7:00pm 3rd - Board Meeting
May thru September

- 7:30pm NA Meets in the old chapel

Fourth Mon. Of the Month - Newsletter Submission Deadline

- ### Tuesdays
- 9:00am Women's Bible Study
 - 9:00am Project Linus (last Tues. of
the Month @ 100 Country Ranch
Rd.)

Wednesdays

- 1:00pm Sr. Bible Study
- 7:00pm Midweek praise and worship
In the Old Chapel
- 7:00pm Youth Group in the Pavilion

Thursdays

- 6:30pm Worship Team Practice
- 7:30pm AA Meets in the OldChapel

Saturdays

- 4:00pm AA Meets in the OldChapel

p.j.'s Corner for July 2008

Can you believe it? We are in Hebrews Chapter 11, and this week and next we will be looking at the life of faith of Abraham and the Patriarchs, faith worshipping, walking, working, now waiting, then soon Moses to see faith worshipping, walking, working, waiting and warring... and then through the ages to you and me ... But, Hebrews is really winding down; really it is. It is Summer and I have a few weeks of vacation coming to go to New Jersey and celebrate my Father's 80th birthday, but despite that I am looking at being finished in our Study of Hebrews by my birthday. With that goal in sight, I am getting excited because I am starting the preliminary work on the Book of James, another very exciting book of the Bible. I am excited because James is even more application based than Hebrews is. I really have enjoyed Hebrews and I hope you have. We all know Scripture is meant to be understood, but even more important is the application of it on our lives, so we can get the most out of our lives. We will not need the Word there, only here. There is an old metaphor: BIBLE Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth. We need to read, study, and apply the truths we find for Life and life more abundantly here. Hebrews has been great for personal application. I almost could go back to Chapter One and start over again. But the Bible is such a great book beginning to end we have to keep going until we get to Revelation. Then, we start all over again. I already cannot wait to get back to Hebrews next time. But it will be a while.

Speaking of Bible Study, I was talking to Igor Prokopev about their home groups in Cherepovets and he had some interesting comments. They do their home group studies on the same passage as was preached in the morning worship service. How much better that would be for the entire body to stay focused on the passage and get the most out of it. Also to stay focused on Sunday morning to get the most out of Home Bible Study. He also said everyone in their fellowship is 'assigned' a home group. Imagine the better level of accountability, encouragement and support that would be available? Finally, not all of their home groups meet on Sunday afternoon. Some meet later in the week. Just food for thought as we begin to think about the Fall.

Thinking about the Fall, it brings to mind the Truckee getting colder, again. But before that happens what about planning a Baptism Service in the 'river'. If you are interested please get in touch with me soon.

Finally, July 1, Vicki and I are entering our 13th year here at CCF. After 22 years in the military, it is so hard to believe we have lived in Fernley, or anywhere, for this long. It would be hard to describe what we think and how we feel about this town and this fellowship. We thank you all for being the greatest flock of His sheep any pastor has ever had the privilege to serve. We love you all and look forward to the next 13 years and sometime in that 13 years getting back to Hebrews again together.





Agreeing Hearts Women's Ministry by Vicki Gale

VBS is behind us for the year. Father's Day is over. As you read this, the 4th of July will be in the past! We still have a lot of summer to enjoy, though. The Women of Calvary Chapel Fernley have some exciting things to look forward to....

But first, I would like to give my heartfelt gratitude for my sisters in Christ. There is so much grace and mercy in you. We are learning to pray for each other, to encourage each other, and to minister to each other. This is what Christ desires; our unity as a body. He wants our relationships to be as good as the relationship we can have with Him. I have been thinking about heaven, and what it will be like. I used to think of mansions, of a perfect body, and of great, calorie-free meals! As I mature in my faith, I only want heaven to be being in the presence of Jesus. I want a relationship that is even better and deeper that we can have on Earth. AND, relationships with each other that are amazing; free from agendas, walls, and past hurts. Wow.

We are still meeting at 9:15 every Sunday morning for prayer in the Whale room. I consider this to be our primary ministry as women of the church. Please join us.

We will not have our breakfast this month, but we will have an outing in August. Many women have spoken to me about going to Lake Tahoe for the Shakespeare Festival. A Midsummer Night's Dream is being performed on August 1 or August 15. Let me know which would be better for you! A sign up sheet is coming...

Our book club discussion on Pilgrim's Progress was great. We had a wonderful time of fellowship. Our next book is actually TWO books! We are reading Miss Julia Speaks Her Mind by Ann B. Ross AND Last Light by Terry Blackstock. We won't be meeting until Tuesday, July 29 so you all have plenty of time!

We dwell in 'paneled' houses

One day King David was looking around and lamented to the Prophet Samuel, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the Ark of God dwells inside curtains." (2 Samuel 7:2) King David saw the condition of his house and the Lord's house and saw what I and many others look at every day. It seems that we accept a standard for the House of God, His House of Prayer that we wouldn't accept for our own homes.

And then later in the life and history of the people of Israel, the prophet Haggai said to the people of Israel, "Is it time for you yourselves to dwell in your paneled homes, and the temple to lie in ruin." (Haggai 1:4) They had continued in the path that David had observed. When they returned from Babylon their focus was on their homes and not His Home.

Maybe we do not want 'paneling' in our houses anymore but you get the idea. They looked around and their homes would have been in 'Better Homes and Gardens' but the house of the Lord was waiting for the city to show up with red or yellow cards for the front window. This isn't right.

Sadly that is happening here as well; granted we are not looking for the city, yet. We may have lost a child in the front lawn, only kidding. But there are so many projects that could get done if we all would just take one and our buildings and campus would look so much better.

Maybe you could come and spend a few hours with a hula hoe and / or a shovel.

Maybe you would like to take on a beautification project. For example, we would like to have the backs of the portable walls in the Old Chapel to be 'prettied up' so we can turn them around when we have activities in the small chapel and not have to look at bulletin boards or stuff.

Maybe you would like to remove and re-staple the wall covering on the temporary walls in the new chapel and make

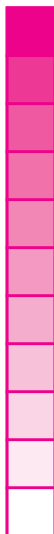
them look better, maybe hang a bulletin board so our information can be quickly passed out. These are just a few of the little one person / one family / one home group projects around here. Some of them are small and subtle, but each one is very important.

For example we have a 'Library/Food Pantry Project' starting now. We are going to place a library along the wall in the Office/Whale Room building and build shelving in the 'work room' for all of the food pantry items. The library would be more visible and the food would not. It is a win/win situation. But the project requires time and a coordinator and a team to maintain the appearance of the library week to week. It can start and happen as soon as next week.

We have a big project for the front of the sanctuary in the chapel. We need to separately control each of the six lights so the screen is more visible and then provide more direct lighting for the worship team members and the pulpit. Also, to 'pretty-up' the side walls and maybe add curtains from the top to near the ceiling to provide a more pleasing or aesthetics look and clearer cleaner sound. Also the 'doors' from VBS have given us an idea of what curtains could do for the 'look' of the platform.

It doesn't take much, just a little love, a little time, a little of you. Maybe you can't make work days, well, talk to p .j. and schedule a time you can come.

We don't want to worship our buildings or to be the Taj Mahal or anything like that but street and eye appeal go a long way toward first impressions. When do you invite people over to your home when it looks like it does on Wednesdays or just before guests arrive? When the Lord invites someone to come visit us what it looks like is important. Maybe if we don't look inviting He won't invite anyone? Please for a change I am asking you to have one but have a 'critical eye' as you walk around the campus but, be willing to back it up with a willing hand, time, or that other precious commodity.





The Prayer Closet

You know in the Psalms are some of the most powerful words ever recorded in the Word of God. ***I love the Lord, because He has heard my voice and my supplications. Because He has inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call upon His name. Ps 116:1-2***

Yet, I would encourage us to pray as though He hears us, even when we cannot see His mighty hand at work in our lives. I would call us to take heed and seek Him who has given to us richly, no matter how we see things...Joseph was cast in to a pit, sold to slavers, taken to a foreign land...He rose up because he trusted in the Lord...and then he was falsely accused and cast into prison again...and one day he interpreted a dream or two...and they came to pass...but he was forgotten. One day, he was remembered and he rose up to be a chief ruler among a strange people...When he was released, he was not vindictive: rather he blessed the Lord, because his tribulation given him sand...made him as folded steel...and like Job I can imagine Joseph saying over and over, "When He has tested me I shall come forth as fine gold."...and he did.

Here's the thing kids...We can't always see or know or even begin to understand the purpose for tribulation in our lives, but He knows....We may never get our arms around the "WHY" of our circumstance...but Paul said...In ALL things, through prayer and supplication with thanksgiving make your requests known unto God...I

It should not matter what the circumstances are, it must not be needful for us to understand what is happening in our lives, it should never cross our minds why troubles have befallen us. What should be on our minds is the splendor of the King...clothed in majesty...Let all the earth rejoice...He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide and trembles at His voice...

We should be saying HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD !!!!!; we should be looking to the Author and Finisher of our faith... We should be pouring our heart out for others, giving our thoughts to the Lord on behalf of others...we need to be giving the moments of our days...all day for the lost of this world, and the broken, and the lonely, and the downtrodden.

If He hears our prayers when we cry out and answers us in His way in, in His time, in His sovereignty...then why wouldn't we want to pray for others. Gamaliel said...If you make His wishes, your wishes, then He might set aside the wishes of others for your wishes. His wishes are that we spend time (laying up for yourselves treasures in heaven), acting like Him, praying and seeking the face of God the Father for those who need Him and His deliverance (just like He did in the garden the night before we crucified Him so that He would be Glorified in the Father)...Then, He may set aside a blessing for you...and if He chooses to wait...You will have your just reward, when we see Him face to face...and all of that time spent will be worth every breath.

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Have you said your prayers today... I hope you will. To whom much is given, much is required...He gave His all...take the time and invest in your future.... KS

AWANA Meetings

First things first, we have to thank Andy for the years of faithful service as Commander. Being Commander is a demanding role and he deserves to take a different role for a while.

So what do we do next? We will be having a series of meeting in August to figure that out. p.j.

Nursery Schedule for July

- 07/06 Judy Korte, MistyG & Amanda T.
- 07/13 Christina Herron & Deana Holmes
- 07/22 Kristen Wallitner & Hannah S
- 07/20 Mitch & Karen Turner
- 07/27 Judy Korte, MistyG & Amanda T.

July Birthdays

- 07/01 Andy Breen
- 07/03 Becky Sturgeon
- 07/05 Michael Korte
- 07/05 David Windle
- 07/14 Dale Dunham
- 07/15 Cameron Ackerman
- 07/15 Bird Ackerman
- 07/16 Zephram Grocholski
- 07/17 Gena Mathisen
- 07/18 Helen Bacock
- 07/18 Ted Saxe
- 07/19 Shelly Pringle
- 07/22 Alyshia Abbey
- 07/22 Christie Bacock
- 07/24 Ann Cooney
- 07/26 Adam Henkins
- 07/30 Jerald Miller

July Anniversaries

- 07/09 Bob & Raffael Wilson
- 07/24 Jim & Shelly Pringle
- 07/31 Kory & Elizabeth Herzinger

Russia 2008/2009

One blessed event, the coming of new life and a long illness cut the Kirov Team down to size. So we determined the Lord was closing that door and we decided to delay our next Russian Outreach until the Summer of 2009. Then while we listened excitedly to Igor Prokopyev last Sunday it seems He may be opening another door with greater possibilities and variety next Summer. But we are going to pray for a month before making any decisions. Please pray with us as to what the Lord has for us in 2009. p.j.





VBS Aha! VBS was a testimony of God's awesome power and His love for all people. Over 150 children attended VBS for all 5 days. We had 28 teenage volunteers and more than 25 adults. Children came to Jesus as well as adults. The Spirit of God was in our very midst and I've heard wonderful testimonies of lives being touched. Praise be to God for blessing this outreach. Thank you for your prayers and service in whatever capacity the Lord lead you be a part of VBS. There was such unity and it created a beautiful atmosphere for the Lord to work his miraculous power. I'm sure we will see this continue to produce fruit for many days to come and we have an eternal reward in heaven. We have a few shirts available at a discount so consider purchasing one of these to remember what an awesome time we had. I am happy to report that our decorations will be used again in Florida and California. The leaders manuals will be going to Brazil with Ellie. Pray for Ellie as she gets ready to return to the mission field in Brazil. She did an awesome job ministering to the children and we so appreciate her. It's never too early to pray so start praying for VBS 2009.

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, (Eph 3:20)

T Saxe VBS Director



Thanks to the 'giver' of my chiropractic treatments from p.j. Recently many of you know I have been trying to cure my continual neck pain, not to be confused with the 'Pains in my neck' (You know who you are... hahaha) in many different ways.

After much reluctance I agreed to try a chiropractor, procedures not covered by my medical plan. Well, Dr. Kahn was very generous in giving me a reduced rate for my initial visit and first 'adjustment'. Then much to my surprise the next five adjustments were also all 'covered'. I do not know who my benefactor(s) was/were but thank you very much. It seems to be helping.

Ladies and Gentlemen...Start Your Engines!!!!

Well now that I have your attention – no this isn't an article about car racing – it's about the "Battle of the Sexes". NOW, I definitely have your attention!! Just read on to see what comes next.

Being that I'm a person who enjoys listening to other people (and I can empathize too), I've come across one common theme amongst the women who have shared they're frustrations regarding the men in their lives. GUYS, if you've ever had the opportunity to sit unnoticed and eves drop on a bunch of women 'sharing/venting' about their husbands... I'll bet you had an educational experience. Hope you learned your lesson. Don't eves drop on women when they're venting. Anyway, I digress. I was talking about a common theme and you're probably wondering what that is. Well here!! The common theme seems to be a problem with communication. Most women seem to feel that their husbands don't HEAR what they (the women) say. It's a language barrier, and we all need to realize that men and women speak different languages. In fact – we are hardwired so completely different that someone ought to invent gender-specific user's manuals.

Well, I just happen to know someone who did in fact create a user manual of sorts for both men and women. His name is Mark Gagnon and he has produced a great DVD called The Tale of Two Brains.

It's just one session of several AND a definite "must see". Shawna and I are very interested in sharing this DVD with ya'all – and if you're interested in 'checkin' it out' let us know. If you don't let us know, we'll come after you anyway. C'mon boost your hard-drives – I dare ya! Shelley

Thanks Tom

After approximately 15 years of serving our fellowship as an elder, Tom McKay has decided to resign from the Board of Directors and join Leland as an Elder Emeritus. Please take a moment to thank Tom for his many years of faithful service. p.j.

Church Leadership

- Pastor:** Joe Gale
- Elders:** Ted Saxe,
Leland McIlvain, Tom McKay
- Deacons:** Dave Tustin, Andy Breen,
Dave Dunham, Robert Herron,
Bob Wilson
- Admin. Assistant:** Shawna Miller
- Agreeing Hearts:** Vicki Gale
- Awana Commander:** interim pj
- Bible Study Leaders:** Vicki Gale,
Robert Herron, Lois McKay,
Ron McKay, Jerald Miller,
Ted Saxe, & Bob Wilson
- Financial Secretary:** Linda McIlvain
- Food Closet:** Jamie Kerr
- Greeters:** Dave Tustin, & Guy Clark
- Hospitality&Food Serv:**
Fran McKay, Wendy Tustin, &
Shelley Pringle
- In-reach Outreach:** Anne Tillman
- Men's Prayer:** interim pj
- Nursery Coordinators:**
Dave Dunham, Judy Korte
- VBS:** Tammy Saxe
- Worship Team Leader:** Bob Wilson

CPR Training

The American Red Cross Infant, Child and Adult CPR will be offered in the Old Chapel on Monday, July 28 from 8:30 to 2:30. The cost for each class is \$20 to cover the cost of materials. To register call Carlyn at 835-3047.

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