

INFO CENTRAL

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ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF STUDENT MINISTRIES

This past weekend a number of our youth and adult leaders went to Lincoln, Nebraska to join with 5,000 other students and leaders at "Invincible," a conference hosted by Dare2Share Ministries. Well, let's just say that it was AMAZING! Greg Stier, Zane Black and Derwin "Dewey" Gray (many of you know him as the "evangelism linebacker") took us on a compelling journey through Ephesians 6:10-18, the armor of God.

We saw amazing dramas, had powerful worship times and loads of fun on the bus! Greg, Zane and Dewey spoke to us about our incredible mission, our invisible enemies and our invincible allies. We were challenged to protect our head, our heart, our core and our soul. The team reminded us that it's God who propels us through His Word, His power and with prayer.

Greg started things off Friday evening asking everyone to think of one person they could pray for who did not know Christ as their Savior. Many times we were reminded to be thinking about and praying for that person. On Saturday, just before lunch, Greg reminded us again of that person and asked everyone to take out their cell phones. He then led us through the "Cell Phone Challenge." Everyone was asked to call that one person and take them through the GOSPEL Journey. The GOSPEL Journey is an amazing evangelism tool that uses the word "gospel" as an acronym to generate a natural conversation with someone about Jesus. Several in our group had amazing conversations and one even trusted Christ as their Savior!! Praise the Lord!

There is so much to tell about this amazing weekend! I'd love to share so much more, but that would make this article way too long. I invite you to join us this Sunday for one of our two services. We will be sharing some amazing testimonies with the congregation at the end of both services.

I'd like to encourage everyone to start "shreddin' the gnar"!! Many of you are wondering right now, "What in the world is Pastor Jamie talking about? Has he gone off the deep end?" No I haven't...yet. "Shreddin' the gnar" is a term surfers use (no, I've never surfed) to describe just about any situation that is hard core. Attacking the biggest waves with an even bigger attitude. Charging it! No holding back! Going all out! The Dare2Share team adapted this term to describe going big, going all out, and doing whatever it takes to engage others in spiritual dialogue. Are you ready? Let's go "shreddin' the gnar!!" I'll see you all Sunday...
Pastor Jamie Hamblet

BAPTISM CLASSES

Our next baptism service is scheduled for Easter Sunday, April 12, 2009. If you are interested in being baptized or would like to know more about baptism, please attend any one of these classes for adults and youth: Sunday, March 15 at 2 p.m. or Thursday,

March 19 at 6:30 p.m. Class for children is on Wednesday, March 18 at 6:30 p.m. Call the church office to sign up.

CHILI COOK-OFF CANCELLED

The March 1 chili cook-off has been cancelled due to low sign-up numbers. So start working on your chili recipes and watch for the next time you can sign up.

WHITE CROSS NOTICE

The White Cross workers can use old greeting cards of all types to make scripture cards for our work in Africa. If you have any cards on hand, please drop them off at the Information Center as soon as possible. This will be an on-going need. Also, no more old sheets are needed.

2ND HOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL

April 19, we will begin a second hour Sunday School program for ages 3 yrs. to 6th grade: Veggie Tales "Getting To Know God." We are looking to put teams together and we could sure use your help. If we get enough teams together, you would only have to do one Sunday every 10-12 weeks. The sign-up sheet to help out will be at the Information Center starting this Sunday, March 1. More information will be coming at the end of March for signing up your children. If you have questions, please call Linnet or Nanette at the church 223-3330.

MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

A Weekend to Remember Marriage Conference will be held March 27-29, 2009, at the Doublewood in Fargo, ND. Any couples interested in attending can go to www.familylife.com/groups/mnperls to register. By using the group name (Mn Perls) you can save \$80.00. For more information on the conference, please visit the Information Center at church for a brochure. Registrations with group name must be received at least ten days prior to the conference to qualify for group savings.

JOY BREAKFAST

Missing the joy in life can leave us feeling discontent. Discover secrets to joy-filled living during this morning out with the girls. It's guaranteed to infuse a little joy in your life! Hear Carla Robinson share her story of joy with a unique blend of humor and transparency. As wife, mother, and national speaker, Carla connects with women of every age. Bring a friend and explore how joy can produce multiple benefits in your life today and for years to come. Purchase your tickets for \$12.00 each at the Rainbow Shop. The Joy Breakfast is March 7, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. at Bismarck's Ramkota Hotel.

THANK YOU

Dear FEFC Family and Friends, Thank you for your visits, cards, phone calls and most of all your prayers when I was in the hospital. Thank you too for the beautiful rose bowl and thank you Pastor Terry for your visits and prayers. I am feeling fine. God is good all the time! *Herman Grosz*

412 Ministries

PRIMETIME

Sunday morning for Jr. High & Sr. High 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

6:30 - 8:30 P.M.

R.A.G.E. Jr. High (7th & 8th grades)

THE EXAMPLE Sr. High (9th & 12th grades)



PRAYER CHAIN INFO

Please call the Phone Prayer Chain Captains and e-mail your requests to Laurie Grosz at the e-mail address below to activate your prayer requests.

EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN INFO

prayer@firstefree.com

PHONE PRAYER CHAIN CAPTAINS INFO

DAYTIME : Catherine Grosz

EVENING : Doris Ann Van Beek



COOK'S NIGHT OFF

Wednesday from 5:00-6:00 p.m.! Sign up at the Information Desk on Sunday or call Sandie at 223-3330.

\$2.00 per person with a \$10.00 per family maximum!

Feb 25 - Cook's Surprise

March 4 - Cook's Surprise



PHOTOGRAPHERS WANTED

Do you like photography? How's your focus? Do you have an eye for a shot? If yes, then contact Wendy Backman today at 223-3330 or email her at wendy@firstefree.com, she would like to speak to you.

WEEKLY EVENTS/MEETING INFO

- THU - Feb. 26 Young Adult Bible Study; 6:30 pm
Men's Study; 7:00 pm
- FRI - Feb. 27 Joy Club @ McDonald's (by K-Mart); 9:30 am
Friday Night Singles; 6:30 pm
- SAT - Feb. 28 Couples Night Out; 4:30 - 9:00 pm
- SUN - March 1 Worship Service; 9:00 am
Sunday School/Adult Community; 9:00 am
Fellowship; 10:15 am
Power of Prayer; 10:20 am
Worship Service; 10:45 am
Parablelooza Rehearsals; 10:45 am
Young Adult Event; 5:00 pm
- MON - March 2 Living Stones Men's Study; 6:30 am
Fellowship & Caring Board; 7:00 pm
Worship Board; 7:00 pm
- TUE - March 3 Women's Bible Study; 9:00 am
Women's Bible Study; 6:30 pm
- WED - March 4 Cooks Nite Off; 5:00 pm
CTL Production Team Mtg; 5:15 pm
412 R.A.G.E. & The Example; 5:30 pm
All Church Prayer; 6:30 pm
Awana; 6:30 pm
Men's Bible Study; 6:30 pm
Women's Bible Study; 6:30 pm
WT Rehearsal; 7:45 pm

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