

INFO CENTRAL

A Publication of First Evangelical Free Church of Bismarck, ND

Feb. 9, 2010

SENIOR PASTOR INFO

When Jesus was preparing for the final hours of His life before the Cross, He took Peter, James and John with Him to pray. He told them to "... watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." (Mt. 26:41) I would like to encourage all of us to be especially in prayer this week as well. Pray for all Americans in the military this week. Pray for all of our forces in the Middle East. Pray for all our Embassy personnel around the world. Pray for the Nation of Israel. Pray for the "Peace of Jerusalem" (Ps. 122:6).

This past week both the President of Iran (Mahmoud Ahmadinejad) and the Supreme Ruler of Iran (Ayatollah Ali Khamenei) have declared that this Thursday, February 11, will be the day when The Islamic Republic (Iran) will deliver a "punch" to the Western World that will be something that is both exceptional and memorable. The Iranian News Agency issued another rant from Ahmadinejad this morning declaring that the Palestinians would soon "prove" that the Nation of Israel is illegitimate (that is my "interpretation" of the remarks he made). I have no idea what the Iranians are planning for Thursday, but one thing is very clear; they are planning to do "something." And while many dismiss comments like these by these men as the rantings of the crazed or demonized (or perhaps both), I do not. This is a regime that has been built on very deeply held Islamic beliefs. These are men who are capable of virtually anything because of their Islamic radicalism. We know they are serious and that they are true "believers" with regard to their "religious" beliefs. They have no "fear" of the USA or any western power because they believe that they are being protected by their god. Their defiance of the United Nations' attempts at curbing Iran's nuclear weapons program has made the UN a laughingstock. Even the Obama Administration seems to have begun to realize that no one can "reason" with these men.

At any rate, we are living in some very interesting times. If you read Ezekiel 38-39 again you will realize that while these words were written over 2,500 years ago, they are strikingly relevant today. Even the nations mentioned there (as well as those NOT mentioned) are nothing short of amazing. Today, the situation described in Ezekiel 38-39 is more relevant and "possible" than at any other time in history since it was written. "Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour...." (Mt. 24:42). Be ready, watch, pray, be sober, be vigilant, and on and on go the biblical injunctions telling us how to live in the end times.

This Sunday is Valentine's Day. I also know that it is a long weekend and some/many of you may be traveling somewhere. If so, please be careful. And as always, I do look forward to worshipping, fellowshiping and studying God's Word together with all of you this coming Sunday, DEO VOLENTE – D.V. – "If the Lords wills."

Maranatha,

Pastor Terry Kern <><

MEN'S RETREAT

"Getting Back on Track Life After A Pit Stop" is this year's theme. The speaker will be Mike Montgomery, who is the Adult Discipleship Pastor at Salem E Free in Fargo and the Worship Leader is Royce Adamson. The dates are February 19 - 21. Please visit the Information Center for more information and a registration form.

LIVING STONES MEN'S STUDY

The men's study that meets on Monday mornings at 6:30 a.m. will be starting a new study—The Fight of Every Believer by Terry Law, beginning February 1. The focus of this book is learning to conquer the thought attacks that war against our minds.

WILD GAME FEED

Calling all men for February 20 at 5:30 p.m. Bring your favorite wild game dish and a side dish. Bring your kids! Door prizes, presentations, a great speaker and a good time of fellowship. If you don't have wild game, bring something "tame." Questions: Call Doug Schelhaas - 258-9329 or email eschelhaas@yahoo.com.

BAPTISM

Our next baptism service is scheduled for Sunday, May 2, 2010. 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 14 at 12:00 noon or Thursday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m. Class for children is on Wednesday, March 17 at 6:30 p.m. Call the church office to sign up.

CHILD DEDICATION

The next dedication service is planned for Sunday, May 9, 2010. If you would like to dedicate your child, please contact Barb at 223-3330 or email barb@firstefree.com as soon as possible.

CTL PARKING TEAM

Men, we would like you to join the CTL (Celebrate the Life) Parking Team. If you are interested in helping during the performances March 26, 27, 28, 31, April 1, and 2, or have questions, please contact Ron Tangen at 222-1484.

412 Ministries

PRIMETIME: Sunday for Jr. High & Sr. High @ 9:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT : 6:15 – 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.

E-MAIL PRAYER CHAIN INFO

prayer@firstefree.com

PHONE PRAYER CHAIN CAPTAINS INFO

DAYTIME : Catherine Grosz - 255-1361

EVENING : Doris Ann Van Beek - 255-0829



EMAIL INFO CENTRAL

The church office is looking for ways to help save costs. If you have an email account, we would sure love to put you on our email list for the newsletter. If you do not have an email account, we would love to keep mailing you the newsletter. To start receiving Info Central via email, please email Wendy Backman at wendy@firstefree.com.



If you no longer wish to receive Info Central, please contact the church office at 223-3330 or email Wendy Backman at wendy@firstefree.com.



WEEKLY EVENTS/MEETING INFO

- THU - Feb 11 First Place 4 Health - 6:00 pm
Escape the Coming Night Men's Study - 6:30 pm
Young Adult Bible Study - 7:00 pm
Women's Ministry Team Meeting - 7:00 pm
- FRI - Feb 12 JOY Club @ McDonalds by Kmart - 9:30 am
- SAT - Feb 13 First Place 4 Health - 9:00 am
- SUN - Feb 14 Worship Service/Sunday School/Primetime/Adult
Community/ The Growing Years - 9:00 am
Fellowship - 10:15 am
Worship Service/Sunday School - 10:45 am
CTL Angel Practice - 1:45 pm
CTL Scene 5 Rehearsal - 2:30 pm
CTL Scene 6 Rehearsal - 3:15 pm
CTL Choir Rehearsal - 3:30 pm
CTL Scene 18 Rehearsal - 4:15 pm
- MON - Feb 15 Men's Living Stone Study - 6:30 am
Missions & Outreach Board - 7:00 pm
- TUE - Feb 16 Women's Bible Study - 9:00 am
Women's Bible Study - 6:30 pm
Men's Study Group - 7:00 pm
- WED - FEB 17 White Cross - 10:00 am
Cooks Nite Off - 5:00 pm
FFFEAST/412 R.A.G.E. & The Example - 6:15 pm
Worship Team Rehearsal - 7:45 pm

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Bismarck, ND 58503
PERMIT NO. 183

First Evangelical Free Church
205 43rd Avenue NE
Bismarck, ND 58503
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED