

# INFO CENTRAL

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## SENIOR PASTOR INFO

This past week we shot the final footage for the Celebrate The Life video (this was the "Gospel Presentation" footage that will replace my presentation of the Gospel during the set change just before the "heaven" scene). This week Chad and Nikki Englund will be driving here from the Twin Cities area as the Associate Pastor of Student Ministries Candidating week has finally come! This is the culmination of months of the very intense pastoral search process. This next week, Annual Reports are due for the lead-up to our FEFC Annual Meeting. In three short weeks we will be in the "Celebrate The Life" week. Whew, this has been quite a last few months – quite the last few weeks – actually being part of this church and this ministry continues to be "quite the ride!" FEFC is an active church family – a very active church family. I don't think any of us would want it any other way.

Ticket sales for Celebrate The Life are off to a good start. This is always the season for intense prayer/praying – for all of us in the FEFC family. Let's not forget, it is God's Word that tells us that "you have not because you do not ask" (James 4:2). The usual pattern for CTL attendance is that the first few performances are "comfortably" filled but as the word-of-mouth builds, the last three performances are full houses. I want to encourage us all to be praying for "fuller houses" in the early going and "full houses" in the last half as well. Please pray for the health of the cast, choir and crew of CTL. There have been a number of "bugs" circulating among us over the last two weeks. Pray we all get and stay healthy. Pray for the technical side of things. There are several rather key technical aspects of CTL that still need to come together. There are some new "effects" that are added this year – but they don't come without a great deal of additional investment of time, energy and "love." And then there is the need to pray for unity and oneness of heart and purpose – not just for CTL but for our FEFC Family and Ministry. I read the words of Jesus regularly – "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, as I have loved you, that you also love one another, By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another" (Jn. 13:34-35) and "if you love Me, keep my commandments" (Jn. 14:15).

I stepped in to listen to the choir practice this past Sunday afternoon. Wow, were they sounding good! I went over to the Worship Center where they were rehearsing various drama roles for the CTL scenes. Wow, were they sounding good! I look at the set, at the technical investment, at the props and the costumes and the video and literally every aspect of CTL and "WOW, is it looking good!" Please pray and please invite and please pray and please encourage others to pray and invite as well. And then please, pray some more, will you? One of the songs we sing in our worship times is "We want to see Jesus lifted up." That is what CTL is all about – holding up our blessed and only Savior, Jesus, who is God's only begotten Son and who is THE CHRIST/MESSIAH. We lift Him up in the sense of "putting His love and His grace on display" for people to see – "Him, we proclaim to all." Oh, that many, many peo-

ple will "see" Jesus Christ clearly through Celebrate The Life and "BELIEVE IN HIM." Maranatha, Pastor Terry Kern <><

## 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.

## 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.

## PART TIME JANITORIAL POSITION

A part-time janitorial person is needed at the church. If you or someone you know are interested, please contact Pat at the Church office.

## ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF STUDENT MINISTRIES CANDIDATE WEEKEND

After many months of meetings, emails, phone calls and visits, your Youth Pastor Search Committee has located and called an excellent young couple to come and candidate for the position of Pastor of Student Ministries here at FEFC. Chad and Nikki Englund will be here March 5 to March 7, 2010. The itinerary for that weekend is as follows:

### Friday March 5:

6:00 pm: Roundtable Discussion with AMT Leaders for Youth  
7:00 pm: Youth Fun Night

### Saturday, March 6:

7:00 pm: All Church Social to meet the Englunds. Chad will teach a youth-directed lesson for all. The entire church is invited to attend.

### Sunday, March 7:

9:00 am: Englunds will give personal testimonies at the beginning of the service. Chad will teach the Jr./Sr. High Sunday School class.  
10:45 am: Englunds will give their personal testimonies during the service.  
12:00 pm: All Church Soup/Sandwich Social  
2:00 pm: Parents' Q&A time with the Englunds  
6:00 pm: Congregational Meeting to vote on calling of the candidate

**Congregational Meeting**  
**March 7 at 6:00 pm**

*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

**EVENING :** Doris Ann Van Beek



**EMAIL INFO CENTRAL**

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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 - Mar 4** First Place 4 Health - 6:00 pm  
Escape the Coming Night Men's Study - 6:30 pm  
Young Adult Bible Study - 7:00 pm
- FRI - Mar 5** JOY Club @ McDonalds by Kmart - 9:30 am  
412 Adult Ministry Leaders - 6:00 pm  
412 Ministries Youth Fun Night - 7:00 pm
- SAT - Mar 6** First Place 4 Health - 9:00 am  
All Church Social - 7:00 pm
- SUN - Mar 7** Worship Service/Sunday School/Primetime/Adult Community/ The Growing Years - 9:00 am  
Fellowship - 10:15 am  
Worship Service/Sunday School - 10:45 am  
All Church Soup/Sandwich - 12:00 noon  
Parents of Youth Q&A - 2:00 pm  
CTL Full Rehearsal - 3:00 pm  
Congregational Meeting - 6:00 pm
- MON - Mar 8** Men's Living Stone Study - 6:30 am  
Education Board - 6:30 pm  
Fellowship & Caring Board - 7:00 pm  
Stewardship Board - 7:00 pm
- TUE - Mar 9** Women's Bible Study - 9:00 am  
Women's Bible Study - 6:30 pm  
Men's Study Group - 7:00 pm
- WED - Mar 10** MOPS - 9:00 am  
Cooks Nite Off - 5:00 pm  
FFFEAST/412 R.A.G.E. & The Example - 6:15 pm  
Worship Team Rehearsal - 7:45 pm

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