

SonLife

COMMUNITY
CHURCH

February 2010



Dear Church Family...

As we begin a new year, may the "usual" thoughts and plans not dominate our thinking.

For each of you, "usual" may mean...a diet plan, a spending plan...you know, some kind of plan that you make EVERY YEAR! (The reason we know this is because we too have "been there, done that"!)

For 2010, our prayer for you and for us is that we will live by the theme that God has given us-"I'll Be A Friend...in 2010". If you were listening this past Sunday (smile!), you will

remember the challenge to be the friend of God, first off, that He desires. Out of the quality of that relationship comes the passion, the skills, and the wisdom to "be a friend in 2010"!

We are on this journey of life together...no need to go it alone. God and one other person is ALWAYS a majority. In His goodness, though, He also gives us each other. So there you have it, let's see what God CAN and WILL do as we live out the challenge before us.

Blessings,

Pastor and Gilda Wise

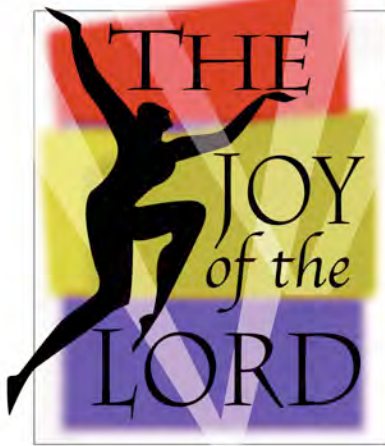
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Men's fellowship

MEN'S TEAM has been reorganized and progress is being made to create a stable foundation and plan...a reason for "being" and a growth plan being put into place. The discussions for the year will be around the book by Tony Dungy, "Dare to Be Uncommon". The facilitators for these discussions will be co-led by Pete Frost and Craig Larson. The monthly meetings will be held on the second Sunday of each month, following the morning service. Some kind of lunch will be served and donations taken to "pay the bill". All men are encouraged to join us as we "begin again", together!



LADIES TEAM continues on the journey with the study of "Seeking God", by Nancy Leigh DeMoss.

Each lady is encouraged to complete the lessons on Repentance and move ahead to the next chapter, ready for discussion on January 26th at 6:30pm at the church about Grace.

Our monthly meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the church. We begin with a covered dish dinner, followed by discussion, fellowship, and prayer. We are an active, lively, fun, supportive group of women. We enjoy being together, crying, laughing, and sharing the journey!

We typically have a Mid Winter Retreat at Janes Island. The dates for this year are March 19 and 20, beginning with dinner at 6:30pm. The fee for the retreat is \$40 and is payable now to Inge Frost; checks may be written to SonLife.

We also plan to attend Women of Faith 2010 in Philadelphia in September; the fee is \$99 and is also payable now, either in part or in full. We will plan our fundraisers to cover the hotel costs.

ALL LADIES are encouraged to join us, as we continue to Seek Him!!



FIRST COUPLES RETREAT!!!

Our first couples retreat is to be held at the Girl Scout Camp on Riverside Drive, on February 12 & 13. We are SO EXCITED to have Sam and Anita McMillan from His High Places join us as presenters for this life-changing weekend!

We will begin dinner at 6:30pm on Friday evening. We will also provide dinner on Saturday evening and ask that you bring a "BYOB" lunch for Saturday noon. (BRING YOUR OWN BAG).

There is NO FEE; however a Love Offering will be received on Saturday evening to defer expenses. You will not want to miss this awesome opportunity to grow as a couple! Please SIGN UP with Inge and there is also a sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary.

A 24 HOUR PRAYER VIGIL will be held beginning on Thursday, February 11th at 6pm. It has been our joy to see the Lord at work in the past, as people have "come and gone" to the church for the hour(s) they have agreed to Fast and Pray. In preparation for our Couples Weekend, we are looking for some "pray-ers"! Please see Linda Larson to sign up, and a sign up sheet is also available in the back of the sanctuary.



SUPER BOWL PARTY...

February 7th

5:30p.m.

Jim & Leslie's

Bring a snack to share and your party spirit!

RSVP: (410) 749-0293



**UPCOMING
EVENTS:**

January

14
New S.H.I.N.E. session
beginning!

26
LADIES TEAM
meets-6:30pm

February

7
Super Bowl
Party-5:30pm

12 & 13
Couples Retreat

14
Mens' TEAM-after
church

14
Youth Group meets-3:30
to 5:00pm

March

14
Mens' TEAM-after
church

19 & 20
Ladies TEAM Retreat-
Janes Island

23
LADIES TEAM
meets-6:30pm

*Unite My Heart
To Fear Your Name*

Psalm 86:11



Staying Healthy
In Nutrition & Exercise

YOUTH GROUP IS BACK!!

Youth group resumes under the leadership of Carol Franz and Gretchen Kessner. All youth that are in 6th to 12th grade are welcomed to participate and be part of a program that will encourage, inspire, and build relationships with one another and with Christ. First youth group meeting will be held Sunday February 14th at the church from 3:00 to 5:00pm. Please notify Carol and/or Gretchen if you are planning on being part of this group. Further details will be given about future meetings, location, expectations, and activities. We are looking forward to leading and guiding each of you towards a loving relationship with Christ and each other.

Carol & Gretch

SHINE is a unique ministry to SonLife. Estrella Knutson is its founder and director. Her vision to see children healthy and energetic has led to "Staying Healthy In Nutrition and Exercise" (SHINE). The new session began January 14th at 4:30pm. A FREE SESSION was offered to parents and children to experience SHINE! For further information, please see Estrella, if you can catch her!

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OUR SONLIFE WEBSITE continues to be a work in progress! Please check out the latest updates at www.sonlifecc.org. Also, see above for relevant email addresses for staff/program directors etc. We have formed a committee that is meeting on a regular basis and have made considerable changes to the website. We have a marketing tool that we can be proud of, a calendar to keep "YOU" updated, and current information for you and yours!

A Place For You

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