

# FEBRUARY HAPPENINGS.....

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# N E W S & N O T E S



## "THE BIG GAME" PARTY

**SUNDAY,  
FEBRUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>  
4:00 PM**

Everyone's invited to join the fun & come and watch the game on the big screen! Come for a quarter or the entire game!

Bring your favorite chili recipe for the Chili Cook-Off. There will be small prizes for best overall, most creative, and fan favorite.

Participation in cook-off is not required. Look for a sign-up sheet in the bulletin for more information.

Childcare will be provided for toddlers and infants during the first half of the game.

## VALENTINE DINNER & A MOVIE

Join us for a fun evening of food and fellowship!

Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

Menu: Salad, Chicken Eden Isle, Pork Loin, Rice, Vegetables, Rolls & Dessert

Movie: *Courageous*

Cost: \$20 a couple: Tickets will be on sale until February 5<sup>th</sup> and can be purchased on Sunday mornings or at the church office Tuesday – Friday, between 8:30 am & 4:30 pm.

We have limited seating so get your tickets early!

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Sunday Worship

Services:

8:30 & 11:00 am

Christian Education:

10:00 am

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## HONOR BEGINS AT HOME COURAGEOUS

Join us for a free showing of the  
movie *Courageous*!

**Sunday,  
February 12<sup>th</sup>  
at 3:30pm**

## ANNUAL MEETING

February 19<sup>th</sup> - 6:00PM

Everyone is welcome and members are strongly encouraged to attend.

We will be voting on the 2012 Outreach Budget and hearing an update about what's going on with the Brown Group.

Childcare will be provided.

Annual Reports will be available on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

## ***Dear Church Family:***

***by Pastor Bruce***

In case you have not yet heard, God worked through you to help make up a financial deficit of over \$20,000 heading into the last month of 2011 – and allow Mountain View Church to finish the year in the black by over \$20,000! In addition to such generous giving to the general fund, your giving to the Christmas Eve offering, which went to our Benevolence Fund, was over \$1,600! Thanks to the generosity of God's people, we were able to give numerous families and individuals financial assistance during the month of December!

What the Apostle Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians 9:11-12 rings so true: "You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God."

May we experience God's blessings as we continue to seek Him and as we seek to be faithful stewards of the talents, gifts, time, and resources which He has and which He will entrust to us in 2012!

## ***To "Tebow" or Not to "Tebow"***

You don't have to be a fan of football to know about "Tebowing". You don't even have to be a fan of the Denver Broncos. People across the world are having their pictures taken and posted on internet sites "Tebowing" – kneeling on one knee with an elbow on the other knee and forehead resting on a closed fist.

It all began when quarterback Tim Tebow, after helping his teammates win a football game in dramatic fashion against the Miami Dolphins, paused to kneel down and offer a short prayer of thanks to God. His simple act was captured by television cameras and the rest is recent history.

While some who are "Tebowing" do so out of identification with or support for Tim Tebow, there are others who do it merely because it is a fad or even an effort to mock Tebow and his faith in God.

I must confess that as of the writing of this article I have not yet "Tebowed". But I have prayed. I have prayed in private and in public. I have prayed with my hands folded, head bowed, and eyes closed. I have prayed kneeling on both knees. I have prayed with my head up and eyes open – a necessity if one is praying while driving a car.

What is more important than the position of our bodies is to Whom we are praying and the attitude of our hearts when we pray. The Bible has much to teach us about prayer:

Matthew 6:5-13 warn us against praying in order to look holy and these verses warn us against "babbling" -- using shallow repetitions in our prayers. There is even a command to pray in private. Jesus also gives us an example or model of how we should pray. We call it "The Lord's Prayer". It begins by directing us to call upon "Our Father who is in heaven" and acknowledging that He is holy.

As for the position of our bodies and the attitude of our hearts when we pray – 1 Timothy 2:8 speaks of "lifting up holy hands in prayer" without anger or disputing. And in Luke 18:9-14 Jesus tells about two men who prayed – one who used "prayer" to brag about himself and another who, humbly acknowledging his sinfulness, prayed for God's mercy and could not bring himself to look up to heaven. Verse fourteen tells us which man's prayer pleased God.

Nowhere in the Bible are we commanded to strike a certain pose when we pray. We are however commanded to pray. We are to pray in private and, if we are going to follow the example of the early Christians, we are going to pray in public.

And, we are told why some of our prayers don't get answered the way we might like them to be answered. 1 Peter 3:7 tells husbands to treat their wives with respect so that our prayers might not be hindered. And James 4:2-3 lets us know that when we ask with wrong motives (to selfishly get things for our own pleasure) God is not obligated to fulfill our wishes.

So, whether we pray on one knee or two, with eyes open or closed, with hands folded or lifted up, standing or lying flat on the ground, may our prayers be offered up to the One who is our Creator and Sustainer, our Heavenly Father. May they be prayers from humble hearts which recognize God's holiness and our sinfulness. May they be prayers from those who want God's will to be done here on this earth – even when His will is not what we might want!

## Coming up in our Worship Services:

February – “American Heart Month”, “Black History Month”; “Canned Food Month”, and “National Grapefruit Month” – among other things! According to one source, the third week of February is “International Flirting Week”. I am not sure if that means everyone around the world is supposed to flirt or if we are supposed to flirt with people from other countries. Then there are the “special days”: Most of us are aware of the all important “Ground Hog Day” (since the weather on February 2<sup>nd</sup> will obviously determine how much longer “winter” will last) but we may not know that February 8 is “Kite Flying Day” (in February – really!?) or that the 20<sup>th</sup> is “Love Your Pet Day”. Of course, those of us who are married or in a relationship would do well to remember the significance of February 14<sup>th</sup> – and not because it is officially “National Organ Donor Day”. Finally, this year February has a “Leap Day” – so those who were born on the 29<sup>th</sup> of February can actually celebrate their birthdays on “their” day!

This month has four “Sundays” – when we will continue our walk through the New Testament Letter of Paul to the Ephesians – which I pray is giving us a greater appreciation for who God is, what He has done, and what He desires for us.

Here is what we are planning to consider on Sunday mornings during the upcoming weeks:

- February 5 – Ephesians 2:8-10 = The How & Why of Salvation
- February 12 – Ephesians 2:11-22 = The Basis for Unity (+ Celebration of Communion)
- February 19 – Ephesians 3:1-13 = Grace!
- February 26 – Pastor Rick Scovel
- March 4 – Ephesians 3:14-21 = What God Wants to Do For You

You can always find out what our upcoming Scripture will be by going to our web site: [www.mvefc.org](http://www.mvefc.org), [www.greeleychurch.com](http://www.greeleychurch.com), or [www.mountainviewchurchgreeley.org](http://www.mountainviewchurchgreeley.org). On the Home Page you can also find a link that will take you to where you can listen to or download past messages shared at Mountain View Church.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS YEAR ROUND COLLECTION



Do you ever find that Shoebox time sneaks up on you and you haven't done any shopping yet? This year we will be collecting a different shoebox item each month. Then in November we will have a packing party to pack up all the shoeboxes. (You are still welcome to pack your own complete boxes if you like.) If you choose to participate, watch the bulletin each month for the suggested item. There will be a collection box in foyer under the coats. Watch for seasonal items to go on sale and pick up a few extra!

**February Item: Plush Toys – Beanie Baby Size**

**March Item: Hats, Gloves, Scarves**



### Bulletin Bloopers

- \*Come observe the start of Lent with us.
- \* The audience is asked to remain seated until the end of the recession.
- \* Come join us next week for a traditional Latin Mass in English.
  - \*All current and “former” Scouts and Scouters, February 11 is Scouting Sunday. Please wear your uniform if you are able.
- \*Don't forget the Child Watch banquet next Tuesday. They've been serving children for 18 years.



Projects Around the Church

**COMING SOON.....**

**The Top Ten Project List**

**Watch for more information in the bulletin in the coming weeks!**



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# Resurrection Sunday / Easter 2012

Rick Scovel



Acting, choral singing, and pantomime-like “motion acting” weave together to comprise this year’s program, which will be presented in the 8:30 and 11:00 A.M. services on Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.

You’ll meet John, a habitually weary traveler; Jaime, a hospitable talker who used to be socially detached, and several others who are on a journey to a special place known simply as “the cross”.

## There are several ways to take part in this special presentation:

- **Choir** is an “open invitation” opportunity (no auditions; simply show up on Feb. 7 or 12). Also, this particular season has fewer numbers than a typical season. Songs range from the familiar *My Savior, My God* (made popular by Aaron Shust) to a new musical setting to the George Matheson hymn *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*.

- We still need **another actor** and **another actress**. Please contact Rick Scovel (970-330-1830 x4) or Alisa Lane (970-587-0136) to schedule an audition. Rehearsals will be at the same time as choir rehearsals, with perhaps some amendment in light of the scheduling availability of the four individuals who are cast.

- We still need **4-6 people, ages 12 and up**, to take part in one “motion acting” piece. This pantomime-type group will visually interpret the lyrics of a pre-recorded song. This fun, accessible art form is sometimes called a “human video”. Please contact Alisa Lane (970-587-0136) to join.

Pre-registered child care is available for choir and main (cast of four) acting troupe rehearsals. Please register with the office by Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>.

## CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

(Choir members are asked to make 7 of the 9 rehearsals.)

Tuesday, Feb. 7	6:30 - 8:00 pm
Sunday, Feb. 12	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 21	6:30 - 8:00 pm
Sunday, Feb. 26	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Sunday, March 4	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Sunday, March 11	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Sunday, March 18	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Sunday, March 25	6:00 - 8:00 pm
Thursday, April 5	6:30 - 8:00 pm

## PLATFORM SET-UP & DRAMA TECH REHEARSAL

Sunday, April 1 – after 2<sup>nd</sup> Service

- 3:00 - 5:00 pm – Tech dress rehearsal for drama & choreography • No choir rehearsal

## PROGRAM WEEKEND

### DRESS REHEARSAL

Saturday, April 7 9:00 am 'til noon:

### PROGRAM PRESENTATION

Sunday, April 8 7:30 Warm up

8:30 Program/Worship Service #1

11:00 Program/Worship Service #2



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

From Colleen Fahsholtz

### Greetings from Children's Church!

As always it has been a joy to serve your children during the Children's Church time.

A big thank you to Kristen Davis, Katie Hertel, Nikki Sides, and Alyssa Smalley for serving our children faithfully each Sunday. We are excited about some upcoming events and wanted to let you know about them.

We are planning a Game/Pizza night on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. This will be for children ages 5-9yrs. old from 6-8pm. Come join us for a fun night of games as well as pizza! Parents are welcome to stay with their children or drop them off. This is focused as an outreach event so please feel free to bring your children's friends.

On the horizon is an Easter Egg Hunt for the children. We'll let you know the time and date as it gets closer.

# Here's what's happening!

## WOMEN'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

- ❖ Tuesdays at 7:00pm – Beth Moore's study on Daniel – "Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy" - Room 10
  - Contact: Valerie Huwa – 686-2397
- ❖ Thursdays at noon at the Fargo Home – DVD Series "The Shelter of God's Promises" by Sheila Walsh
  - Contact: Gay Sanderford – 339-1929
- ❖ Wednesdays at 6:15pm – Beth Moore's study "James – Mercy Triumphs" - Room 8
  - Contact: Torie Anderson – 392-0232
- ❖ Fridays at 9:00am – Beth Moore's study "James – Mercy Triumphs" - Room 10
  - Contact: Torie Anderson – 392-0232

## MEN'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

- ❖ Tuesdays at 6:00am – *That The World May Know* video series with Ray Vander Laan
  - Contact: Bob Shoemate - Men are welcome to join at any time.

## WEEKLY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES FOR ADULTS

- ❖ Mormonism – Led by Pastor Bruce in the Worship Area
  - This class utilizes DVD clips and Power Points to investigate some of the history and teachings of Mormonism & how those teachings compare with what the Bible teaches.
- ❖ Alive In Christ – led by Jake Sides in Room 11
  - This class looks closely at the Old Testament to explore the biblical principles for finding and renewing one's spiritual purpose and power.
- ❖ Book Study – Genesis – led by Steve Anderson downstairs in the AWANA room
- ❖ Book Study – Proverbs – Led by Curtis Cox in Room 10

CE CLASSES BEING OFFERED IN MARCH ARE: MORMONISM & BIBLICAL CHRISTIANITY (ROOM 10), BOOK STUDY – 1<sup>ST</sup> PETER, (DOWNSTAIRS), DISCOVERY FELLOWSHIP FOR NEWCOMERS (ROOM 11) AND ONE OTHER STUDY YET TO BE DETERMINED. WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS IN UPCOMING BULLETINS.

## MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Silver & Gold Men's Breakfast – the first Wednesday (February 1<sup>st</sup>) of each month at the Country Inn – 1415 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. Join the men for breakfast and some truth from God's word. All men are welcome!
- ❖ White Cross – They usually meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month to work on a variety of ministry sewing projects. Contact Ralphina Whitman for more information.
- ❖ Garden Square – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month (February 19<sup>th</sup>) at 2:30pm – 3151 W. 20<sup>th</sup> St.  
Meadow View – 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month (February 26<sup>th</sup>) at 4:00pm – 5300 29<sup>th</sup> St.
  - Join those who provide a Worship Service and bring joy to the residents. They are in need of piano players, Bible readers, refreshments, or someone just to visit with the residents. Contact Dennis DeCamp if you would like to give them a hand.
- ❖ Book Group for Ladies – (February 16<sup>th</sup>) at 4:15pm – at the Syringes – 1325 51<sup>st</sup> Ave. This month they will be discussing *Summer of Light* by W. Dale Cramer.

## SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

- ❖ The "Big Game" Party – February 5<sup>th</sup> - 4:00 pm – Come and watch the game on the big screen!
- ❖ Valentine Dinner – February 10<sup>th</sup> – See the front page for more information.
- ❖ Free Movie Matinee - "Courageous" 3:30pm on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

## COMING UP NEXT MONTH

- ❖ Children's Church Game Night – March 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6:00 – 8:00pm
- ❖ Baptism Service – March 11<sup>th</sup> – Contact Pastor Bruce by February 19<sup>th</sup> if you are interested in being baptized.

Average  
Attendance  
1/1-1/29

241

### Giving Total 1/1-1/29

Required:	\$39,260.01
Given:	\$36,752.11
YTD Required:	\$39,260.10
YTD Giving:	\$36,752.11
Shortfall:	{ \$2,507.99 }



....to Jan Voseipka her work each week taking care of the weekly offering & for preparing the yearly financial statements  
 ....to Valerie Huwa and Anna Puls for their work with the financial ministries  
 .....to Torie Anderson, Valerie Huwa, Gay Sanderford and Bob Shoemate for leading small group Bible studies each week  
 ...Kathy Henry and Colleen Fahsholtz for overseeing the Children's CE and Children's Church

# the Zone

...set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and in purity. -- 1 Timothy 4:12

## **KNOW HUNGER TRIP**

Mark your calendars for the next Know Hunger Trip, March 2-4 at the YMCA in Estes Park. The cost of the trip will be \$30 per student. A \$15 non-refundable deposit is due by Sunday, February 12. However, due to limited space, we will only be able to take the first 32 students who turn in their deposit.

Did you know that approximately 40,000 people die because of hunger related issues every day? Do you want to make a difference in the life of someone suffering because of hunger? During this trip, we will study, worship, play games and get to know each other, all while going hungry and doing something that will help make a difference in the lives of those suffering because of hunger related issues. Go on the Know Hunger trip. Learn what is taking place throughout the world, and what we can do about it!

## **ZONE SUMMER TRIP**

This summer, the Zone will be heading to Bartlesville, Oklahoma. We will be working with two separate ministries during our time in Bartlesville.

Vision Onward is a ministry reaching out to the needy people in and around Bartlesville. Vision Onward is helping bring the Gospel to those in Bartlesville by helping meet their physical needs and sharing the love of Christ with them. We will have the opportunity to partner with them as they share the Gospel.

Voice of the Martyrs is a ministry that helps the persecuted church around the world. We will have the opportunity to work with Voice of the Martyrs in their warehouse, to send out supplies around the world, and also in their mailroom, to assist in getting information about the persecuted church out to those who will listen and pray.

The students will again be selling fertilizer, recycling print cartridges, and doing physical labor to help earn money to go on this trip. If you would like to purchase fertilizer, or if you have some work around the house you need done, please speak with one of the youth going on the trip or Pastor Mike.

The trip will be June 1-10. Please be praying for the individuals from Mountain View who will be a part of this trip. This trip should provide many different opportunities for us to all use our gifts and talents to Leave His Mark on the world.

## **Important Dates!!**

**February 1: the Zone**

**February 5: Youth CE Class  
Big Game Party**

**February 8: the Zone**

**February 12: Youth CE Class**

**February 15: the ZONE**

**February 19: Youth CE Class**

**February 22: the ZONE**

**February 26: Youth CE Class  
Youth Staff**

**February 29: the Zone  
Service Night**

**March 2-4: Know Hunger Trip**

**June 1-10: Zone Summer Trip**



the Zone is meeting on  
Wednesday nights from  
6:45-8:00pm  
in the youth room.  
Come join us!



# FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 9A Silver & Gold Breakfast 6:15P WBS 6:30P Awana – Color Team Night 6:45P <i>Prng Zong</i>	<b>2</b> 12P WBS 6P Worship Vocal Team 1 Rehearsal	<b>3</b> 9A WBS	<b>4</b> 9 – 11:30 Awana Games Practice 
<b>5</b> 8:30 & 11:00A Worship Service 10A Christian Ed 4P The "Big Game" Party	<b>6</b> 6A Elder Prayer 6:30P FPU	<b>7</b> 6A MBS 6:30P Choir 7P WBS 8P College Group	<b>8</b> 9A White Cross 6:15P WBS 6:30P Awana 6:45P <i>Prng Zong</i>	<b>9</b> 12P WBS 6:30P Worship Team 2 Rehearsal 6P Ministry Team Meeting with Brown	<b>10</b> 9A WBS <div style="border: 1px solid pink; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <b>6P Valentine Dinner &amp; Movie</b> </div>	<b>11</b> 9 – 11:30 Awana Games Practice 
<b>12</b> 8:30 & 11:00A Worship Service 10A Christian Ed 11A Outreach Meeting 3:30P Movie - Courageous 5:30P Elder Mtg. 6P Choir	<b>13</b> 6:30P FPU	<b>14</b> 6A MBS 7P WBS 8P College Group	<b>15</b> 6:15P WBS 6:30P Awana 6:45P <i>Prng Zong</i>	<b>16</b> 12P WBS 4:15P Book Group at Syring's 6:30P Worship Band & Vocal Team 3 Rehearsal	<b>17</b> 9A WBS	<b>18</b> 9 – 11:30 Awana Games Practice 
<b>19</b> 8:30 & 11:00A Worship Service 10A Christian Ed 2:30P Garden Square Service 6P Annual Meeting	<b>20</b> 6A Elder Prayer 6:30P FPU	<b>21</b> 6A MBS 6:30P Choir 7P WBS	<b>22</b> 9A White Cross 6:15P WBS 6:30P Awana Honey & Feather 6:45P <i>Prng Zong</i>	<b>23</b> 12P WBS 6:30P Worship Team 4 Rehearsal	<b>24</b> 9A WBS	<b>25</b> Awana Games in Lakewood 
<b>26</b> 8:30 & 11:00A Worship Service 10A Christian Ed 4P Meadow View Service 6P Choir 6P Youth Staff Meeting	<b>27</b> 6A Elder Prayer 6:30P FPU	<b>28</b> 6A MBS 7P WBS 8P College Group	<b>29</b> 6:15P WBS 6:30P Awana Store Night 6:45P <i>Prng Zong</i> Service Night			

**KEY**  
 MBS = Men's Bible Study  
 WBS = Women's Bible Study  
 FPU = Financial Peace University

## February Birthdays & Anniversaries

2 Dylan Jandreau  
 6 Rick Syring  
 Fred Wilson  
 7 Craig Kincaide  
 Rob Robinson

8 Karen McMillan  
 10 Eleanor Fransen  
 12 Luke Cogswell  
 Heather Huwa  
 13 Seth Hill  
 14 Ed & Nancy Carlson

17 Kathie Gamble  
 19 Torie Anderson  
 20 Jillian Jensen  
 21 Marissa Fauth  
 22 Mike Carlson

26 Bruce Smalley  
 27 Lyle Kemis  
 29 Elli Cogswell  
 Steve Crittenden  
 Lisa Davis