

2015



# fresh Start

*the teaching series, will help us see that we can kick-start our spiritual growth by taking small steps of faith.*

SAVE THE DATE



## Reinhard Bonnke **GOSPEL CRUSADE**



BRINGING GOOD NEWS TO AMERICA

Mark your calendars for this life-giving event!

**ALLSTATE ARENA/CHICAGO  
JUNE 26, 27 & 28, 7PM**

### CONGRATULATIONS...

to **Paul Sharp** on his retirement from ABS Logistics from Indiana. One of Paul's first assignments will be to undergo surgery for his shoulder on **Thursday, January 8** at Kishwaukee Medical Center in Sycamore. **Please be in prayer for him during this time!**

### BRUNCH & BOCCE

Anyone not attending the Ladies Brunch is welcome to join us on **01/18/15 at Pinstripes** following the service for **Brunch & Bocce!**

### SAVE THE DATE

Ladies you will want to mark your calendars—**Sunday, January 18—Ladies' Brunch** following the morning service at Phylis' home!

# BAPTISM SUNDAY

TAKE THE NEXT STEP—GO PUBLIC WITH YOUR FAITH. HERE'S HOW:

**BAPTISM CLASS, 01/11 @ 9:30 A.M.**  
**BAPTISM SUNDAY, 01/25 @ 10:00 A.M.**

Let Pastor Bob know you are ready to say **YES** to Jesus!

Each week everyone will be asked to fill out a Connection Card in order to **"MEASURE"** our church in five key areas. There will be a summary report each week in the bulletin that identifies those five key metrics.

**Please turn in your card each week. Members, leaders and guests will be asked to turn these in.**



CONNECTION CARD



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YOUR FUTURE AWAITS

JANUARY  
TEACHING SERIES



- JAN 04** / Make a New Beginning
- JAN 11** / Change the Future by Owning the Past
- JAN 18** / Act on What You Know, Leave the Rest to God
- JAN 25** / Lead by Learning to Follow

## PRAYER REQUESTS

■ Emma G.	▶ Post-Surgery Healing
■ Lily M.	▶ Dementia
■ Anabelle G.	▶ Lung Cancer
■ Andrew H.	▶ Health Issues
■ Noe F.	▶ Health Issues
■ Linda L.	▶ Health Issues
■ Elizabeth S.	▶ Health Issues
■ Maria A.	▶ Complete Healing
■ Kenny D.	▶ Skull Fracture
■ Trevor W.	▶ Deployed to Afghanistan
■ Jim W.	▶ Post-Surgery Healing
■ Keith K.	▶ Post-Surgery Healing
■ Paul S. III	▶ Complete Healing
■ Peggy K.	▶ Health Issues
■ Kevin K.	▶ Post-Surgery Healing
■ Paul S.	▶ Surgery 01/08
■ Phyllis N.	▶ Breast Cancer

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Never quit. If you stumble get back up. What happened yesterday no longer matters. Today’s another day so get back on track and move closer to your dreams and goals. You can do it.”

12/28/14

METRICS  
THAT MATTER

36

ATTENDANCE

\$538

GIVING

3

GUESTS

12

VOLUNTEERS

0

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST

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October 20	<b>Angela Metcalf</b>
October 25	<b>Amy Hoke</b>
November 1	<b>Dawn Gunter</b>
November 2	<b>Chrissy Foster</b>
November 8	<b>Bradley Huerta</b>
November 8	<b>Christy Spurlock</b>
November 15	<b>Wesley Spurlock</b>
November 15	<b>Lily Toledo</b>
November 15	<b>Chrissy Money</b>
November 15	<b>Inger Graves</b>
November 15	<b>Kim Milde</b>

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February 8	<b>Mack Loveless</b>
February 16	<b>Tim Ferguson</b>
February 16	<b>Rachel Ferguson</b>
February 16	<b>Tom Sitar</b>
February 16	<b>Cecilia Galvan</b>
February 16	<b>Trinidad</b>
February 16	<b>Fito Guia</b>
February 16	<b>Gerhardt Sommers</b>
February 19	<b>Jackie Hogg</b>
February 19	<b>Neal Spurlock</b>
February 19	<b>Kathy Lange</b>
February 20	<b>Patti Guia</b>
February 21	<b>Cindy Guia</b>
February 28	<b>Cheryl McLeese</b>
February 28	<b>Amy Loveless</b>
March 21	<b>Carlos Echeverria</b>
March 21	<b>Dawn Harrison</b>
March 21	<b>Connie Homan</b>
April 1	<b>Jimmy Maynard</b>
June 6	<b>Linda Peace</b>
July 28	<b>Tom Berry</b>
August 1	<b>Dale Davis</b>
August 10	<b>Ruben DeLeon</b>
September 3	<b>Dawna Davis</b>
September 4	<b>Ed Whisenhunt</b>
September 5	<b>Robby Huerta</b>
September 5	<b>Judy Graves</b>
September 5	<b>Lucinda Naybar</b>
September 5	<b>Jim Maynard, Sr.</b>
September 5	<b>Bob Winterhalter</b>
September 5	<b>Betsy Winterhalter</b>



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YOUR FUTURE AWAITS

## ◆ MAKE A ◆ NEW BEGINNING

<sup>11</sup> One day, after Moses had grown up, he went out to where his own people were and watched them at their hard labor. He saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his own people. <sup>12</sup> *Looking this way and that and seeing no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.* <sup>13</sup> The next day he went out and saw two Hebrews fighting. He asked the one in the wrong, “Why are you hitting your fellow Hebrew?” <sup>14</sup> *The man said, “Who made you ruler and judge over us? Are you thinking of killing me as you killed the Egyptian?” Then Moses was afraid and thought, “What I did must have become known.”* <sup>15</sup> When Pharaoh heard of this, he tried to kill Moses, but Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in Midian, where he sat down by a well.

### ◆ Exodus 2:11-15 ◆

## MOSES NEEDED A FRESH START

- Had been miraculously adopted into the family of Pharaoh.
- Had acquired incredible influence in the courts of Egypt.
- Was being prepared to become Egypt's ruler.
- Took matters into his own hands and killed an Egyptian soldier while protecting an Israelite.

## ◆ MOSES EXILED TO MIDIAN ◆

- An idea initiated by Moses—not God. (Acts 7:23)
- An act leading to confusion and failure. (Acts 7:24-25)
- A procedure energized by the flesh.
- An unbearable result.

“THERE ARE FAR BETTER THINGS AHEAD THAN ANY WE LEAVE BEHIND.”

◆ -C.S. Lewis ◆

# A NEW BEGINNING

## ◆ INITIATED BY GOD'S CALL ◆

- An impulsive act brought Moses to a well.
- God sought out Moses.
- God is not interested in our sitting by wells for the rest of our lives.
- Has an act or event interrupted the flow of your life? Do you need to find that place again to find your God-plan?

## ◆ MOSES' RESPONSES ◆

- Moses offers a carload of excuses
  - God's answers
- “I’M NOBODY”
- “I DON’T KNOW ENOUGH”
- “I’M NOT A GOOD SPEAKER”
- “I’LL PROVIDE EVERYTHING YOU NEED”

## ◆ FACING BARRIERS ◆

- Age
- Uncertainty

## ◆ REQUIREMENTS ◆

1. Put the past behind you
2. Take small steps of faith