

CORRECTION...

Please make the following correction in your phone directory: for **Carol Souvigny** her number is: **847-420- 0140**

THANKS...

In advance to all those who will be helping at our **Feed My Starving Children** Event on Monday!

BBQ & BIBLE STUDY

Thanks to **Jannette Simmons, Brandon Wilson, Kimberly Lancaster** and **Phylis Huerta** for a great **BBQ and Bible Study**.



GUEST SPEAKER | **Pastor Michael Cole**
Of The Worship Center

Sun, July 31
@10:00 a.m.

THANKS...

to **Kimberly Lancaster** for cleaning and organizing our Music and Sunday School Offices!

BIBLE STUDY (OFF CAMPUS)

If you are interested in attending the **Bible Study** at **Kimberly's**, please contact her. There are two sessions: **July 14 and 28**.—all are Thursday evenings.



CONNECTION CARD 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.



You've Got What it Takes...

Jul 03 » To Get Through This
 Jul 10 » To Do Something Great
 Jul 17 » To Hear From God
 Jul 24 » To Take Your Next Step
 Jul 31 » Guest Speaker

PRAYER REQUESTS

Breanna V.	▶ Health Issues
Lily M.	▶ Dementia
Anabelle G.	▶ Lung Cancer
Noe F.	▶ Health Issues
Elizabeth S.	▶ Health Issues
Kenny D.	▶ Neurological Damage
Trevor W.	▶ Deployed to Afghanistan
Danny L.	▶ Peace Corps Assignment
Ralph H.	▶ Fluid in the brain
Moe M.	▶ Lung Cancer
Ruth S.	▶ Undiagnosed Health Issues
Mary H.	▶ Mobility Issues
Suzie S.	▶ Health Issues
Peggy H.	▶ Rheumatoid Arthritis
Lotz Family	▶ Grief/Loss of Parents
Barb D.	▶ Bone Cancer
Phyllis L.	▶ Health Issues
Donald S.	▶ Addictions
Wes. S.	▶ Post-Surgical Healing
Kevin K.	▶ Post-surgical healing
Jennifer M.	▶ Health Issues
McKenzie Z.	▶ Acute Leukemia
Olvera Family	▶ Grief
Persecuted Christians	▶ Hostilities/Suffering

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Some of the greatest things God will do in your life happen when you are in transition or trouble." —Steven Furtick

07/17/16

METRICS
THAT MATTER

31

ATTENDANCE

\$410

GIVING

3

GUESTS

10

VOLUNTEERS

0

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST

**You've Got
What it Takes...**

TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP

*In God's plan, there is always a next step.
The common thread for all of the next steps is **faith***

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. ¹⁷ For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith. *Romans 1:16-17*”

THERE IS A NEXT STEP

1 **Moses at Baal-Zephon / *Exodus 14:1-2***

¹Then the LORD said to Moses, ²“Tell the Israelites to turn back and encamp near Pi Hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea. They are to encamp by the sea, directly opposite Baal Zephon.

2 **Joshua at Shittim / *Joshua 3:1-5***

¹Early in the morning Joshua and all the Israelites set out from Shittim and went to the Jordan, where they camped before crossing over. ²After three days the officers went throughout the camp, ³ giving orders to the people: “When you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the Levitical priests carrying it, you are to move out from your positions and follow it. ⁴ Then you will know which way to go, since you have never been this way before. But keep a distance of about two thousand cubits between you and the ark; do not go near it.” ⁵ Joshua told the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you.”

3 **David at the Valley of Elah / *1 Samuel 17:34-37***

³⁴ But David said to Saul, “Your servant has been keeping his father’s sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, ³⁵ I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. ³⁶ Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. ³⁷ The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine.” Saul said to David, “Go, and the LORD be with you.”

4 Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego / *Daniel 3:16-18*

¹⁶ Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. ¹⁷ If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. ¹⁸ But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”

5 Daniel in the Lions Den / *Daniel 6:19-22*

¹⁹ At the first light of dawn, the king got up and hurried to the lions’ den. ²⁰ When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, “Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?” ²¹ Daniel answered, “May the king live forever! ²² My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight. Nor have I ever done any wrong before you, Your Majesty.”

EVERYTHING WITH GOD IS A PROGRESSION—GOD WANTS TO MOVE YOU FORWARD. IT’S NOT A FORMULA, BUT A RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM!

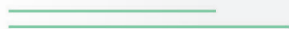


THE NEXT-STEP PROCESS



- You cannot cross the Red Sea until you leave Baal-Zephon.
- You cannot cross Jordan until you leave Shittim.
- You cannot defeat your giants until you leave behind Saul’s armor.
- You cannot have extraordinary deliverance until you leave behind the approval of others.
- You cannot be delivered from lions until you leave your commitment on the table.

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?



- Faith in Christ for salvation. (repentance, faith).
- Baptism (putting on the jersey).
- Receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit.
- Being empowered through a spiritual gift.
- Being involved in missions.
- Being disciplined in Christ (biblical foundations).
- Making a commitment to tithe.
- Making a commitment to serve.
- Making a commitment to be part of the body.

