SUNDAY 10/12/14

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A BIG WELCOME.

To Josh Staar, our new Worship Leader. Josh has a heart to transform people's lives by creating an atmosphere of worship where Christ is made real and he is present to meet needs.



THANKS... To Peggy Knoepfle for the incredible job she did this week in decorating the fover and the auditorium. It really looks cool!

Enroll now... for the October Bible Study. Based on the book by Pete Wilson,

LET HOPE IN

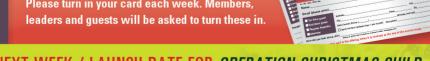
- · Choosing to transform instead of transfer.
- . Choosing to be okay with not being okay.
- Choosing to trust rather than please.
- Choosing to free people rather than hurt them.

Launch Date: Tuesday 10/14/14

Join us for four Tuesdays of practical, inter-active learning! Get unstuck, Say goodbye to regret and shame—move forward and serve a God who promises that anything is possible!

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,



NEXT WEEK / LAUNCH DATE FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



A small shoebox can teach a child about the love of God, lead him or her to faith in Christ, inspire pastors, and plant new churches. What goes into the box is fun. What comes out is eternal.

Be a part of changing lives through the power of a simple gift!



OCT 05 The power of integrity

OCT 12 The courage to change

OCT 19 How's your game?

OCT 26 Are you a gamechanger?

PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Emma Grebenick Lily Metcalf**
- **Anabelle Galik**
- John Schreiber **Andrew Haywood** Noe Figueroa
- Linda Loukota
 - Elizabeth Stein David
- **Abby London Pat Crampton Gary Fagerson**
- **Ashley Fagerson**
- **Sharon Dost** Maria Ashcraft
- **Robin Loveless** Art Bush
- Ken Ridinger Blanca Gonzáles
 - **Barb Smith**
- **Bobbie Nash** Neal S.
- **Robin Loveless**
 - **Kenny Dutro**

- ▶ Dementia
- ▶ Lung Cancer
- ▶ Healing
- ► Health Issues Health Issues
- ▶ Breast Cancer
- Health Issues
- ► Heart Transplant
- Mersat
- ► Healing in Her Back
- ► Cardiac/Cancer Issues
- ► Mental Health Issues
- Colon Cancer
- Complete Healing
- ▶ Lung Cancer
- ► Post-Surgery Healing
- ▶ Post-Surgery Healing
- ▶ Health Issues
- ▶ Lower Back Pain
- ▶ Inner Healing
- ► Injured Foot
- Cancer
- Skull Fracture

10/05/14



ATTENDANCE 44



GIVING





GUESTS 16 VOLUNTEERS



DECISIONS FOR CHRIST





GAMECHANGER:

a person who is determined to make a difference regardless of the odds.

• THE POMEGRANATE DILEMMA •

² Saul was staying on the outskirts of Gibeah under a pomegranate tree in Migron. With him were about six hundred men,

³ among whom was Ahijah, who was wearing an ephod. He was a son of Ichabod's brother Ahitub son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the Lord's priest in Shiloh. No one was aware that Jonathan had left.

1 Samuel 14:2-3 —

- ★ The enemy is taunting Israel. Mocking any show of force.
- ★Saul's army is huddled around the pomegranate tree. Chillin' out at the wrong time.
- ★It's hard to tell if Saul is being lazy, cautious or prudent.
- ★ The pomegranate dilemma is having the resources but not using them.

JONATHAN AND HIS ARMOR-BEARER

⁶ Jonathan said to his young armor-bearer, "Come, let's go over to the outpost of those uncircumcised men. Perhaps the Lord will act in our behalf. Nothing can hinder the Lord from saving, whether by many or by few." "Do all that you have in mind," his armor-bearer said. "Go ahead; I am with you heart and soul."

⁸ Jonathan said, "Come on, then; we will cross over toward them and let them see us.

- ★ Jonathan was a "gamechanger". He thought carefully about how he could make a difference.
- ★ He refused to be limited by limitations. He took action. He announces: "Let's go find the weak spot."
- **★** He looked for a "sign" from God to attack the Philistines.
- ★ He and his armor-bearer killed 20 Philistine warriors. God did the rest!



How God Clarifies

"Perhaps the LORD will act on our behalf. Nothing can hinder the LORD from saving, whether by many or by few."

1 Samuel 14:6 -

Offers no simple formula. He simply stated: "Let's give God a chance!"

He was offense-minded when he was surrounded by enemy troops.

Jonathan 's attack began the rout of the Philistine garrison. Their initial attack killed 20 Philistines.

That attack triggered an earthquake that caused major confusion in the Philistine ranks. God fought on their behalf.

• God decimated the Philistine army.

The armies were mismatched— · · · · but that doesn't matter when God is fighting for you!

