

The Rays of Sunrise

Sunday, November 8, 2009

FROM TIM'S LAPTOP...



A Conversation with KidZone Director Deb Bennett about Kids Cure Kids:

Pastor Tim: *Talk to us about the Kids Cure Kids project that is getting geared up in KidZone right now.*

Deb Bennett: CURE is a nonprofit program that supplies spiritual, monetary, and medical help to children in third world countries like the Dominican Republic, Ethiopia, Malawi, and Uganda. Each child has a different disability; we're role playing some of these disabilities out to help the KidZone kids understand what it's like to live with these struggles. We've simulated cleft palates, lameness when you're trying to retrieve water, malformed legs, and things like that.

PT: *How did you become aware of the ministry of Cure?*

DB: At Jim and Judy Warmington's anniversary, I saw that money was being raised for Cure, and I went online to check it out. After researching it on the internet, I thought it would be a great thing to help Sunrise kids realize how blessed they are in terms of their health and knowledge of Jesus.

PT: *How will our kids be involved?*

DB: Every week, they pray for a child. They have a prayer journal, noting something they are thankful for (turning on a tap instead of having to walk to a well). We are collecting money in little banks to help these children get the medical intervention that they require. For instance, 75 dollars will correct the bones of a child with clubbed foot. 50 will save the life of a child with hydrocephalus.

PT: *How can parents support the project?*

DB: By supporting their kids as they learn of needy children. Join with them in prayer. Help your kids complete their prayer journals. And be sure to remind of the need long after the project concludes. The fund raising aspect is in there also: find some projects around the house where they can earn money to support Cure's ministry.

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PT: *Why are you so passionate about this ministry?*

DB: A couple of reasons. One, my own son has a disability. Two, I love kids so much. Three, I've spent some time on crutches myself. Having some medical background, I realize we in the US are blessed with technology that the rest of the world needs. These beautiful kids deserve our help.

Today's Rising...

Teaching Pastor: Tim Breen

Sermon Text: A Firm Foundation: The "Whatever" Nation

Sermon Title: Judges 2:6-3:6

This morning we welcome *Undivided*, who will participate in our worship service. This is a parent-sponsored praise choir, made up of approximately 45 high schoolers from the Holland/Zeland area. They are directed by Carla Mast. *Undivided* exists for the purpose of bringing together area high school age young people who love the Lord and desire to share this love with the world. Their goal is to lead others in worship of our Lord Jesus Christ, to honor, praise, and lift him up with an undivided heart, simply because his name and renown is the desire of their hearts. May our God be praised! For more information about this group, check out the blog at ps8611.blogspot.com.

Sunrise Schedule for this week...

Today:

KidZone & Little Lambs will be held during the worship service.

20's & 30's Group Social Night – 6:00 p.m. at Kruisenga's.

Monday:

Women's Ministries Leadership Team at Kelly Bryant's –

11:30 a.m. ministry team meeting, 12:30 p.m. retreat committee meeting.

Wednesday:

Men's Early Morning Bible Study – 6:30 a.m. at the church office.

Ladies Evening Beth Moore Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. at Liz Holwerda's home.

Young Ladies Evening Beth Moore Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. with Christy Veltman.

Thursday:

Ladies Morning Beth Moore Bible Study – 9:00 a.m. at Kelly Bryant's home.

Men's Evening Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. at Pastor Dave's home.

From the Board of Directors...

The offering collected on November 1st was \$3,797. Our budget for the remainder of 2009 is \$4,154 per week. Totals for the month of November are: Budget \$4,154, Actual \$3,797. Average giving since the Rise Up Sunrise campaign started in October has been \$3,674 per week. The board of directors wants to thank you for your continued support of Sunrise Ministries.

Our Church Family...

- Our sympathy is extended to Lori, Mark, Andrew, & Travis Nylaan in the death of their father & grandfather. Carl Veenendall, Lori's dad, passed away unexpectedly last Sunday morning.
- We are thankful with Pastor Dave & Linda for the encouraging news they received in Houston this past week. The testing showed *minimal* changes in the liver cancer with no additional treatment needed at this time. There is small evidence of cancer in the vertebrae; however the doctor did not seem particularly concerned about this. He stated that it is indicative of having this disease for a long time, but in itself is not life threatening. Dave will return to Houston in 4 months for re-evaluation.
- We are excited to report that Brett Jackson will return to the United States from Iraq this week Thursday or Friday. His mom, Barb, & the rest of his family will be in North Carolina to welcome him home. He will remain there for a month and then plans to come home to Hudsonville for a visit.
- Jamie & Nicole Jaroh moved into their new home yesterday. Their new address is 7452 Medinah Dr., Hudsonville, MI 49426 and their home phone number is 209-7493. Please make this change in your church directory.

Donut Sponsorship...

Our donuts are sponsored this month in honor of all our Sunrise Seniors (60+), who attend and support Sunrise Ministries.

20's & 30's Group...

The 20's & 30's group will meet tonight for a social time at Rob & Laura Kruisenga's from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. All those in their 20's & 30's, married or single, are invited. No child care available.

Sunrise Faith Community Nurse (Parish Nurse)...

God has called us as Christians "to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal the sick." Luke 9:2. Churches have been promoting health and wholeness for centuries through worship, music, prayer, and caring. In recent history, modern medicine has dominated the healing of bodies while churches have focused on spiritual health. Our Sunrise Mission and Vision Statement says (in Part 2, paragraph 1) that "Sunrise is committed to bringing healing to those with spiritual and physical needs." A Faith Community Nurse tries to help our church reclaim its role in healing the whole person – not just the spirit and mind, but also the body.

Grace Bosma is taking on the role of Sunrise Faith Community Nurse. In coming weeks, she expects to survey the congregation to find a focus and direction for how best to establish a ministry that serves the health needs of our congregation. Grace invites you to discuss with her how to define this role.

Hudsonville Highlands 5K for 2010...

The date has been set for the Hudsonville Highlands 5K for 2010! Mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 1, 2010**. We'll hope to build on the success of last year's inaugural outreach-opportunity/fundraiser/fitness-challenge with even more participants in Year 2. Look for a training calendar in a few weeks and get ready to beat your time from last spring!



Birthdays this Week

Today – Paul Erffmeyer, Scott Veltman, Rob Witteveen

Tuesday – Michael DeJong

Thursday – Al Rubingh, Mitch Brink, Peyton Flowers

Saturday – Lexi Bryant

Anniversaries this Week

Wednesday – Russ & Marcy Spearow

Sunrise Volunteer Schedule...

Trailer Transportation:

Today: Don Karsten

Next Week: Doug Gelder

Refreshment Servers:

Today: Todd & Christy Hultink

Next Week: Pat & Bealynn Dooling

KidZone This Week:

Zone 1: Kim Miedema

Zone 2: Kim Harris

Zone 3: Kylee Jackson

Zone 4: Lindsey Broek

KidZone Next Week:

Zone 1: Jessi Helmholdt

Zone 2:

Zone 3:

Zone 4:

Teachers needed! Call Deb Bennett 669-

Greeters:

Today: Jim & Judy Warmington

Paul & Barb Erffmeyer

Next Week: Don & Cheryl Karsten

Pat Rhodes

Nursery Care:

Today: Patti Wallinga

Leslie Reimink

Next Week: Peg Thurkettle

Jenni Schut

Want to know more about Sunrise? Our website, www.sunrisemin.org, is loaded with information about our ministries. You'll be able to explore our mission and vision, learn more about our staff, download audio and video clips, and scan past editions of the *Rays*. Bookmark it and check back often!