

The Rays of Sunrise

Sunday, January 3, 2010

From Tim's Laptop...

Happy new year everybody! With the annual switching-out of our spiral-bound pretty-snowy-mountain/chickadee-on-a-Kentucky-fencepost calendars comes likewise the yearly Making of Resolutions That Won't Probably Happen.

As in past years, I - with tongue firmly ensconced in cheek - would like to suggest a few 2010 Resolutions for members of the Sunrise family. These are just my thoughts, so don't get too worked up or anything. Just know that they are made in, you know, love and all that.

- I, Melinda Herrema, resolve to give careful consideration to marketing my pumpkin ice cream dessert.
- We, Dick and Leslie Reimink, resolve to gladly lead these practice runs in preparation for the 2010 Hudsonville Highlands 5K... *Wait, they were right behind us a minute ago...*
- We, Audra Bennett and Krissy Wallinga, resolve to once again organize a Little Girls of Sunrise Dance. This year we will extend the opportunity to adult men.
- We, Chloe Guingrich, Brittany Flowers, and Shay Leigh Doornbos, resolve to faithfully tithe of our forthcoming recording contracts.
- I, Kelly Bryant, resolve to never sell my wave runners ever ever under any circumstances no matter what ever.
- I, Grace Bosma, resolve to buy stock in Purell.
- We, Sophie and Hannah Hultink, resolve to convert to Michigan fans.
[Editor's note: ((Sigh)) *What's the point? They can't ever beat Michigan State anyway.*]
- I, Jim Luikens, resolve to let Pastor Tim borrow my car.
- I, Mark Schreer, resolve to let Pastor Tim borrow my car.
- We, Ben, Sam, and Jack Meyer, resolve to present a scripted rendition of the Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego story at an upcoming Sunrise worship service.
- I, Josh Broek, resolve to include Taco Bob's food in the Sunrise Statement of Mission and Vision [Editor's Reply: *Boo Yab.*]
- We, Brett Jackson and Adam Bosma, resolve to keep fightin' for the Red, White, and Blue.

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- We, Tamara and Jericho Breen, resolve to make lots of hand gestures (tapping the watch; hand across the throat; etc.) should the sermon exceed 25 minutes. But we're not miracle workers.

Happy New Year everybody! May God richly bless this amazing congregation in the coming days!

Pastor Tim

Happy New Year!

Today's Rising...

Teaching Pastor: Tim Breen

Sermon Title: *A Firm Foundation: The Only Time Jesus Ever Ran Away*

Sermon Text: Matthew 2:13-23

Sunrise Schedule for this week...

Today:

KidZone and Little Lambs will not meet today – toddlers are welcome in the nursery.

Middle School Youth Group – 6:00 p.m. at Ty & Laura DeWitte's home.

High School Youth Group – 6:00 p.m. at Pastor Dave & Linda's home.

Wednesday:

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

Retreat Committee meeting – 12:30 p.m. at Kelly Bryant's home.

Ladies Evening Beth Moore Bible Study – 6:00 p.m. at Deah Cole's home (note time & location change.)

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 December 27th was \$6,928. Our budget for the remainder of 2009 was \$4,154 per week. Totals for the month of December are: Budget \$16,616, Actual \$19,203. Average giving since the Rise Up Sunrise campaign started in October has been \$4,840 per week. As coaches tell their players to "finish strong" at the end of a game, all of you have done just that. The board of directors wants to once again say thank you to each and every one of you that has helped Sunrise Ministries finish 2009 in the black. With 2010 now ahead of us, we ask that you continue to pray for the financial wellbeing of Sunrise and each and every one of its members.

Our Church Family...

- Linda Breen underwent surgery last Thursday to remove a wider margin around the location of the melanoma she had removed a few weeks ago. Please continue to pray that all the tissue removed will be cancer free.

KidZone and Little Lambs...

There will be no KidZone or Little Lambs programs for this week. They will resume next Sunday, January 10th. Teachers are needed for all Zones, including Little Lambs, from January 10th through the month of May. Please volunteer to help!! Sign up TODAY by the information table or talk to Deb Bennett.

Middle School Youth Group...

The Middle School Youth Group will meet tonight from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Ty & Laura DeWitte's.

High School Youth Group...

All high schoolers are invited to Pastor Dave & Linda's home tonight at 6:00 p.m. for broomball. Dress warmly! Supper will be served also.

Sunrise Bible Studies...

All the Sunrise Bible Studies will resume this week. **Attention Ladies of the Wednesday Evening Bible Study:** you will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday at Deah Cole's home for both the next Bible Study and a Christmas party. Please bring an appetizer/h'order to pass.

Donut Sponsorship...

Our donuts are sponsored this week and next week by an anonymous giver – thank you for your generosity!

Sunrise Membership Exploration Class...

If you have been visiting Sunrise on a regular basis and are interested in exploring membership at Sunrise, please join us for a coffee time on Saturday morning, January 30, from 8:30 a.m. – noon at Pastor Dave & Linda Breen's home. You can sign up by the information table, by emailing Barb at barb@sunrisemin.org or call the church office at 669-7865.

Women's Ministry Team and Retreat Committee...

The Women's Retreat Committee will meet on January 6 and January 20 at 12:30 p.m. at Kelly Bryant's home. There will not be a Women's Ministry Team meeting again until after the retreat.

Women's Retreat...

We are very excited to offer another Women's Retreat, which will take place February 26 & 27, 2010. This retreat will once again be held at the Haworth Inn & Conference center and we'll be using the Beth Moore video entitled, *Measureless Love*. All ladies are welcome and if you joined us last year, you know what a special weekend it is. You won't want to miss this year! Registration forms are available today (by the information table) – we are able to keep the cost at \$75.00 per person if you sign up by January 31. (\$85.00 after January 31.)

Refreshment servers...

There is a new schedule on the information table for all refreshment servers. Please check it out and mark down the date(s) you are scheduled to serve. **More volunteers are needed for this ministry** – it's a fun way to serve at Sunrise. Call Cheryl Karsten (896-8429) or Barb at the church office if you would like to join this team.

Greeter Schedule...

A new greeter schedule for the month of February is on the information table. Please check if you are scheduled to greet and write down the date. Thank you for serving.

Words for Wellness...

New years are a time for new beginnings.....take time to evaluate your priorities! What you set as a priority can affect your overall physical, mental, and spiritual health. Now is a good time to pray and re-evaluate what God expects from you.

Grace Bosma, Parish Nurse



Birthdays this Week

Today – Christy Hultink
Monday – Matthew Bryant
Tuesday – Brenda Doorn
Friday – Travis Nylaan
Saturday – Jim Verburg

Anniversaries this Week

No anniversaries to report this week

Sunrise Volunteer Schedule...

Trailer Transportation:

Today: Don Karsten
Next Week: Tim Koorndyk

Refreshment Servers:

Today: Todd & Christy Hultink
Next Week: Brad & Shellie Doornbos

KidZone This Week:

Kidzone and Little Lambs will resume on January 10.

Teachers needed! Call Deb Bennett 669-6081

KidZone Next Week:

Zone 1:

Zone 2:

Zone 3: Kylee Jackson

Zone 4: Mike Doorn

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Greeters:

Today: Jim & Judy Warmington
Pat & Bealynn Dooling

Next Week: Gayle Golenbiewski
Susan Staal

Nursery Care:

Today: Barb & Kylee Jackson
Next Week: JD & Kim Harris

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!

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