

The Rays of Sunrise

Sunday, January

17, 2010

SUNRISE FAMILY FOCUS – JIM LUIKENS



Family: Jim is the oldest of seven children. His parents retired to Phoenix in 1979 and, one by one, all of his siblings followed them to warmer climates. Jim is the only Luikens left in Michigan. He stayed because of his involvement in the auto industry. Jim has never had any children (or grandchildren, obviously) of his own.

Occupation: Jim is the owner of Rise Sales, a full-service advertising, marketing, and public relations agency that he founded in 1981. He is most famous for his years as the High-Performance Manager at Berger Chevrolet. In fact, the upcoming February, 2010 issue of Hemmings Muscle Machines magazine has a four page feature on Jim and his Berger days. Jim finds it remarkable that people still want to write, and read, about his Berger exploits after 35 years.

How Jim came to join Sunrise: Jeff Vande Hoef helps Jim maintain his building. When he and Pam were married, they invited Jim to their wedding reception. Jim sat with a great group of folks from Sunrise and they invited him to come and check out a Sunrise service.

Hobbies Jim enjoys: Jim is an automobile fanatic to the max and he enjoys all car-related things like auto racing, car shows, auto museums, and cruising. Since 2003 he has been a reporter for Drag Race Central. This keeps his summer weekends pretty busy. Following the professional tour has allowed Jim to establish personal friendships with some of the biggest stars in drag racing.

If he had a blank check to go anywhere, where would he go? Jim would visit his friends at Mercedes-Benz in Stuttgart, Germany. He normally goes every other year but his health challenges caused him to miss last year.

Three words that describe Jim: Focused, Dedicated, Positive.

How can Sunrise pray for Jim? Please pray that Jim is able to continue keeping his spirits up as he works through his health issues.

Today's Rising...

Teaching Pastor: Tim Breen

Sermon Title: *A Firm Foundation: Passing the SAT*

Sermon Text: Matthew 4:1-11

Sunrise Schedule for this week...

Today:

KidZone and Little Lambs will meet during the worship service.

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

High School Youth Group meet - 6:00 p.m. at David & Heather Breen's home.

Monday:

Board of Directors meet - 7:00 p.m. at the church office.

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 - 7:00 p.m. at Carol VanHaitsma'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 January 10th was \$2,710. Our budget for 2010 is still in the process of being finalized, however the amount will be similar to that of 2009 or \$4,154 per week. Totals for the month of January are: Budget \$8,308, Actual \$5,602. Average giving per week for the year has been \$2,578. The board of directors wants to thank you for your support of Sunrise Ministries.

2009 Contribution Receipts...

There are still some 2009 Contribution Receipts to be picked up on the information table. If you did not take your envelope last week, please pick it up today.

Our Church Family...

- Susan Staal was admitted this past week to the Fred & Lena Meijer Heart Center after suffering a mild heart attack. She will be treated with medicine. Please continue to pray that her condition will improve.
- Congratulations to Jim & Rachel Kulesa on the birth of a son, Foster James Clay Kulesa. We pray for God's blessings as they welcome this new addition to their family.

Contacting Pastor Tim...

If you need to contact Pastor Tim, please contact him by calling his cell phone or emailing him. He does not have a text plan on his phone and the text messages he receives are very costly.

Youth Groups...

- The Middle School Youth Group will next meet tonight from 6-8 p.m. at Ty & Laura DeWitte's.
- The High School Youth Group will meet tonight from 6-8 p.m. at David & Heather Breen's home.

Location Change for Ladies Evening Bible Study Group...

If you attend the Wednesday evening Ladies Bible Study, please note that it will be held at Carol VanHaitsma's home this week instead of Liz Holwerda's.

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. Please sign up by the information table, by emailing Barb at barb@sunrisemin.org or call the church office at 669-7865.

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.)

****Please note:** You have the option to room with only 2 ladies instead of four; however, there will be an extra charge. Please talk to Kelly Bryant if you are interested in this arrangement.

Volunteer's needed:

We continue to need volunteers in many of our ministry areas. Are you serving somewhere? It's a fun way to get to know other Sunrise members. Please use the contact information below to volunteer soon and you will be added to a rotating schedule:

Refreshments: Email Cheryl Karsten at ckars10@att.net

Nursery: Call Holly VanKampen at 662-9084 or email her at hvk25@aol.com

Greeters: Call Gary House at 457-5705 or email him at ghouse011@comcast.net

KidZone Teachers (**Urgent Need**): Call Deb Bennett at 669-6081 or sign up by the information table.

Words for Wellness...

Vitamin D is very important to the immune system and overall health. We get vitamin D from food sources and the sun. We do not get vitamin D from the sun in Michigan in the winter, so it is important to take a daily supplement. Check with your doctor as to what they recommend.

Grace Bosma, Parish Nurse



Birthdays this Week

Today – Lori Nylaan, Hollie House
Monday – Michelle Wieringa
Tuesday – Ryer Selvius
Saturday – Pat Rhodes, Grace Elling

Sunrise Volunteer Schedule...

Trailer Transportation:

Today: Al Rubingh
Next Week: Kevin Meyer

Refreshment Servers:

Today: Mark & Cindy Schreer
Next Week: Jim & Patti Wallinga

KidZone This Week:

Zone 1: Kevin Meyer
Zone 2: Tami Breen
Zone 3: Kylee Jackson
Zone 4: Mike Doorn

KidZone Next Week:

Zone 1: Mary Henderson
Zone 2: Lisa Beuschel
Zone 3: Mike Herrema
Zone 4: Jessica Verburg

Greeters:

Today: Kevin Meyer
Ty & Laura DeWitte
Next Week: Todd & Christy Hultink

Nursery Care:

Today: Rachel Chapman
Leslie Reimink
Next Week: Kim Wallinga
Mike Eling

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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