

Foundations *focus*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | FOUNDATIONS BIBLE CHURCH |
NOVEMBER 2023

Winnebago Area Museum

Fund Raiser

Soup Supper



Tuesday, November 7, 2023

4:30 - 7:00 p.m.

At

The Winnebago Area Museum

16 South Main St

(Take Outs Available)

Free Will Donation

Proceeds will go toward roof repairs



"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations."

Operation Christmas Child gift boxes bring joy and delight to the hearts of the children who receive them. They also receive the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the literature when they receive their gift box.

We will be collecting our OCC boxes on Sunday, Nov. 12th during worship. All information needed is on the table by the organ. Please be sure to take the "How to Pack" brochure that has the envelope to place your \$10.00 for postage in.

If you wish to participate but are unable to shop or would like to contribute funds for postage, please give your money to Donna Fortune or Carrie Jacobsen by Sunday, Oct. 29th.

The women will have a pack day on Thursday, Nov. 9th.

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*Preparing people for
Wholeness in Jesus through
The Word of God.*

*Readying the remnant
For the rapture.*

Sundays @ 9 am

Adults - Walking in the Desert with God

Sunday School

Youth Group - the Be-Attitudes

Prek-4th grade - Answers in Genesis

Women's Ministry News

We are in a need for **volunteers** to staff the **Bingo calling** on the first and third Friday's of each month. Please call Makayla Nepp to sign up.

Options Pregnancy Center is in need of:

Baby bottles (no Dr. Brown)
Brushes
Lotion
Shampoo
Diapers
Wipes

Food Shelf Needs

Canned: Corn -whole or cream style
Peas
Green beans
Tomatoes
Tomato soup & cream soups
Peanut butter
Pasta: Noodles, macaroni, spaghetti
Jello
Cake mixes
Hand and Dish soap
Paper Products: Toilet Paper
Paper towels
Tissues

November Anniversaries

19 – Pastor Daren & Cameron Barnett
27 -- Larry & Nancy Jenkins

November Birthdays

02 -- Trevor Weringa
03 – Carrie Jacobsen
07 – Bucky King
08 -- Anna Nepp
10 – Gladys Pettit
17 – Andrew Hervey
17 – Jerrid Sebesta
20 – Andrew Krause
24 – Russell Pettit
27 – Dwight Hervey



deliver a difference

3rd Week of the Month
FBC will be delivering
Meals on Wheels.

If you're willing to help for a day, please see Sally Y.

Pick up meals at 10:15am
Takes ~1 1/2 hr to deliver
17 meals

Medical Mission Sunday



- Blood Pressure Checks
- Blood Sugar checks
- Medication Questions

Last Sunday of Every Month after Worship

Upcoming Events

Nov. 07 - CED Team Meeting @ 7 pm
- Election Day

Nov. 11 - Veteran's Day

Nov. 14 - Stewardship Team Meeting @ 7 pm

Nov. 18 - Men's Breakfast @ Huntley 8:30 am
- FBC Women's Ministry @ 8:30 am

Nov. 19 - Bi-Annual Meeting during fellowship

Nov. 21 - Spiritual Ministry Meeting @ 7 pm

Nov. 26 - Medical Missions

- Movie Night @ 7 pm

Nov. 28 - Servant Leadership Meeting @ 7 pm
- Deadline for Newsletter

Fellowship Hall Servers

Nov. 05 - Brian & Carrie Jacobsen

Nov. 12 - Todd & Jeanette Cory

Nov. 19 - Thanksgiving Potluck

Nov. 26 - Tyler & Megan Morrison

Pastor's Pen

In recent days, I have had extraordinary opportunities to hear several sermons, conference messages and other believers share some profound yet simple things that really caused me to consider much needed ideas and truths that I want to share.

Let's start with the following – “What offends me, reveals me”.

I started with considering my own offenses and what bus me. God's Word tell us “it is to a man's glory to overlook an offense”. (Proverbs 19:11b) Well, Jesus said “The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For out of the overflow of his heart his mouth speaks. (Luke 6:45) So, note the truth about what is held in our hearts will come out in what we say and what offends us.... That means likewise whatever we keep, store, consider – they all point out exactly who we really are, therefore what offends us also tells us a lot about what idols we have, what things we care about and what is important truly to us. Do these things that offend us line up with what bothers God? Do the offenses line up with what Scripture tells us should offend us? Either we are a pile of grudges and grumbles about pet peeves and fickle feelings or we are rightly bothered by the things of God and of His Word.

Next is this – “in God's plan, small is the new big”.

After pondering this I found that most folks dream of doing big, great things for the LORD.... That is good and admirable, but isn't it the little things done consistently over time what ad-vents the biggest lifelong changes. The Word tells us “who des-pises the day of small things”. (Zechariah 4:10a) and “He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are” (1 Corinthi-ans 1:28), not to mention “He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all your seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and perch in its branches.” He told them still another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into a large amount of flour until it worked all through the dough.” (Matthew 13:31-33) Each of this indicate a small thing or a person considers as such making big impact. Yeast is a miniscule fungus that impacts food and drink. A mustard seed is tiny, but when planted and germinates grows to bring a tree that gives shade, home and rest. And people who seem unim-portant bring many small things into larger than life reality. God takes small things – that over time produce lasting fruit, rela-tionships and changes to lives.

Now – I would like to now share what God gave me – “prepare for prophetic reality looking forward to the future without neglecting the duty of today”.

Think about it.... Looking at Scripture as a whole – many prophecies have been, are and will continue to come to fruition. It tells us to look ahead to Jesus' re-turn as the seasons of the end times are at hand and in great convergence; all the while not forgetting to “be about the master's business” while we look for-ward to “His glorious appearing”. All three in conjunc-tion are necessary to live a full life of service in proper perspective as the Gospel is fleshed out in our lives from faith.

Which one of these hits you right where you live to-day, in this moment, at this juncture? I confess – all three deeply have affected and have brought about great effect in my life.... Will you let what “the Holy Spirit is saying to the church” move you beyond where you have settled comfortably and into a place of small miracles that certainly have eternal impact?

By Jesus' Grace, Truth and Love,

Pastor Daren Lee Barnett



Live to Give

The world continues to change, and with each day it seems the cost of living goes higher. We rarely leave Walmart for under \$300 anymore, and to fill the pickup with fuel costs well over \$100. We know everyone around us is also feeling this pinch, and it is something we have discussed often amongst each other. Money is not the first thing any of us want to address though, and we definitely don't like to discuss what is the "right" way to use it with fear of being seen as a hypocrite. But a question I am sure we are all trying to answer is, "How do we keep giving to the church & those in need when we have less and less 'extra'?" We can find several references to money throughout the Bible, and we can also find that the hearts of men have not changed since the very beginning. In reading about Cain & Abel this week, the Lord makes it very clear how seriously he takes our offerings.

Genesis 4:2b-7

Now Abel kept flocks, and Cain worked the soil. ³ In the course of time Cain brought **some** of the fruits of the soil as an offering to the LORD. ⁴ And Abel also brought an offering—fat portions from **some of the firstborn** of his flock. The LORD looked with favor on Abel and his offering, ⁵ but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favor. So Cain was very angry, and his face was downcast.

⁶ Then the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? ⁷ If you **do what is right**, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it."

'The Lord looked with favor on Abel and his offering'; so, what was so different from Cain and Abel's offerings? Abel gave his FIRSTborn while Cain only gave SOME. This can be applied to several areas of our life, but in particular what of our goods (today that would be mainly our money) are we giving to the Lord. Are we giving first and taking for ourselves second? Or are we only giving when we have "extra." This could also be a lesson in how we spend our time and our energy. If we are not diligent, we will put our time, energy, and resources (money) towards other things first, and not even realize we are dishonoring God.

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

⁶ Remember this: The one who plants few seeds will have a small harvest. But the one who plants a lot will have a big harvest. ⁷ Each one of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give. You should not give if it makes you unhappy or if you feel forced to give. God loves those who are happy to give. ⁸ And God can give more blessings than you need, and you will always have plenty of everything. You will have enough to give to every good work.

As I write this, it is a lesson we have to learn in our own home, too. We are not always giving first, although it is very clear throughout the bible that we should. We live in a society where selfishness is glorified and we need to practice being more selfless. As uncomfortable as money conversations can be, it is clear we are all living in the same world where decisions have to be made; and as we talked about during CED last week, God takes all of our actions and thoughts very seriously. Ananias and Sapphira (Acts chp 5) were struck dead for being dishonest with the Lord about their money (the price of the land). We must to be honest with our money, as the Lord knows all. He gave His life for us; what are we willing to give for Him?

By Andrew Hervey, Spiritual Ministry Team Member

