

# FBC NEWSLETTER

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*Preparing people for  
Wholeness in Jesus through  
The Word of God.  
Readying the remnant  
For the rapture.*

## Pray for Our Children of All Ages

Loving Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of our precious children and what a privilege it is to see grandchildren growing up and learning about You. Thank You, Father, for each little life and I lift each one up to You Lord, and pray that by Your grace and love You would surround them with Your love throughout their lives.

Guard and guide them all I pray, and uphold and protect them. May each one come to know You, Lord, as their personal Saviour, and may they all come to a deep understanding of all You are and all that You have done for them. Oh Lord, I pray most earnestly that each one would accept You into their hearts and lives as their Lord and Saviour.

I pray that as they grow into their teens and become young adults, that You would keep their hearts and minds turned to You and trusting in Jesus for their every need. Protect each one from the philosophies and mindset of the world that are so contrary to the truth of Scripture, and may each one grow in grace and become strong in their faith as they develop in wisdom and discernment.

Protect them from the evils of this age, keep them from temptations, and help them to live godly lives and to develop as responsible adults who will teach their own children the wonderful truth of Salvation through Christ Jesus our Lord. In His name I pray, Amen.

### Upcoming Events

- 2 - Stewardship meeting @ 7 pm
- 7 - CED (Sunday School) starts @ 9 am
- 9 - CED Team meeting @ 7 pm
- 10 - Wednesday in the Word Starts at 7 pm
- 12 - FBC Women at Parker Oaks @ 1:30 pm
- 14 - Time For Prayer during fellowship
- 16 - Spiritual Team meeting @ 7 pm
- 20 - Men's Breakfast @ 8:30 am
- 21 - FBC Women's meeting during fellowship
- 23 - Servant Leadership
- 28 - Medical Missions
- 30 - Newsletter Deadline

### Fellowship Hall Servers

- 7 - Potluck
- 14 - Dave & Ann Krause
- 21 - Todd & Jeanette Cory
- 28 - Joel & Roxanne Schutt

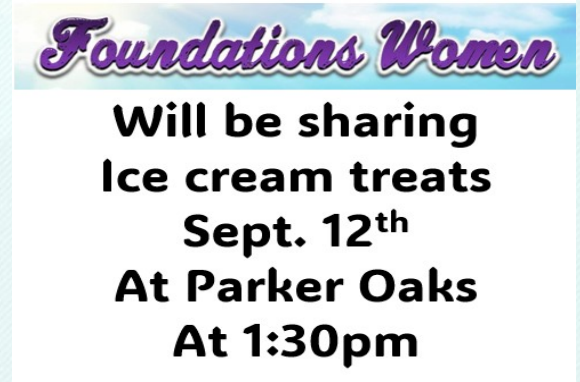
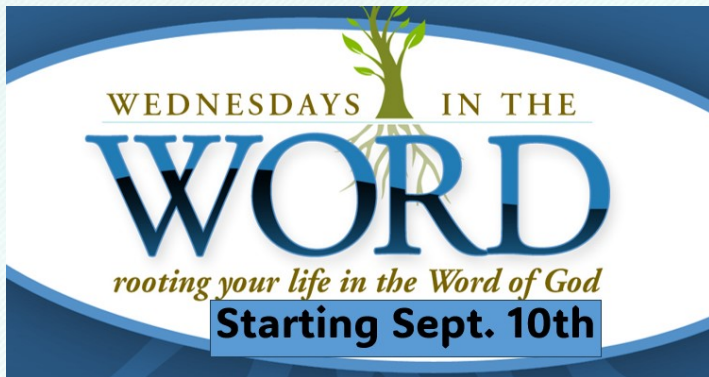
### September Anniversaries

- 8 - - Joel & Roxanne Schutt
- 19 -- Andrew & LaNay Hervey
- 19 -- Bill & Judy Herrmann
- 20 -- Steve & Nancy Jones

### September Birthdays

- 05 – Misty Zupfer
- 06 – Nate Phippen
- 07 – Kevin O'Neil
- 07 -- Jeanette Cory
- 11 -- Leeah Nepp
- 11 – Brian Jacobsen
- 18 -- Luke Schavey
- 18 -- Hailey Latourell
- 19 – Rebekah Cyphers
- 20 – Lafe Barnett
- 21 - Rick Lunbery
- 27 - Heidi Herrmann
- 28 – Dean Johnson







Kinship Radio's 2nd Annual  
**Spearhead Summit**

**Hosanna Lutheran**  
105 Hosanna Drive  
Mankato, MN

**BE UNASHAMED  
OF YOUR FAITH**

**SEPT 20, 2025**

Doors open at 7:15am, conference starts at 8am

**MORNING INCLUDES:**  
Teaching Sessions  
Breakfast  
Worship

**TICKETS:**  
**\$30**

Feat. Main Speakers

**THE BENHAM BROTHERS**



**Tickets on sale  
AUGUST 25**

TO PURCHASE TICKETS:  
Kinshipradio.org OR  
800-810-5559

Kinship Radio presents our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Spearhead Summit: A Gathering of Faithful Men" on Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Mankato. This year's Special Guests are the Benham Brothers. Twin brothers, David and Jason Benham, are former professional baseball players, best-selling authors, speakers, and nationally acclaimed entrepreneurs. Their accomplishments have been recognized by dozens of business publications, including Inc Magazine, Wall St Journal, Business Leader Media, Franchise 500 and more. Their success earned them a reality show with HGTV set to air in the Fall of 2014 - yet the show was abruptly cancelled because of their commitment to Biblical values. The Benham's immediately found themselves in the midst of a cultural firestorm, yet they decided not to back down. Appearing on CNN, Fox News, ABC's Nightline & Good Morning America, the Benham's continue to stand up for what they believe and encourage others to do the same! Since their show was cancelled, over 51 million tweets about their story have been delivered to Twitter streams. In their new book, *Whatever The Cost*, the Benham's share biblical principles that will revolutionize your work and family life while giving you the courage to stand up for what is right.

*There will be music, ministry, and breakfast*

*Space is limited so call 800-810-5559 or go online to [KinshipRadio.org](http://KinshipRadio.org) to register beginning Monday, August 25th at 8AM.*



# Pastor's Pen

## The Christian Attrition

The term attrition has 5 usages in the English language. According to Webster's and the Cambridge dictionary shares the following:

- 1: sorrow for one's sins that arises from a motive other than that of the love of God
- 2: the act of wearing or grinding down by friction
- 3: the act of weakening or exhausting by constant harassment, abuse, or attack
- 4: a reduction in numbers usually as a result of resignation, retirement, or death
- 5: the people who leave an educational or training course before it has finished

Now, maybe I am a bit sensitive to the shrinking reality our community faces these days, however – I have notice a trend. Less businesses, a decrease in population, shrinking congregations and church attendance, a lack of interest in going to bible study and Sunday school, a decrease in students enrolling in Christian schools in our area.... the list can go on.

I got to thinking – is it just a sign of the times? Is it that the difference between being nominal or surrendered? Is it that discipleship is just not happening? Is it that Satan seem's to be winning? Is it a priorities issue? Is it we are so ingrained with the world's systems that we treat Christianity as a welfare system?

I would venture to say a little of all of this, but it is deeper – it was prophesied by the Apostle Paul that this was going to happen – attrition among Christians. Look at the following verses:

**2 Thessalonians 2:3** Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him, we ask you, brothers, not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by some prophecy, report or letter supposed to have come from us, saying that the day of the Lord has already come. Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the **rebellion** occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction.

The Greek term for rebellion here is **apostasía**. It means defection from the truth, falling away, and forsake. Its root definition means something separative, that is, specifically divorce.

**1 Timothy 4:1** The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will **abandon** the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.

Here the Greek term for abandon is **aphistēmi**. It means to remove, that is actively instigate a revolt, to desist, desert, depart, fall away, withdraw self. Its root definition means cessation, separation, departure, reversal from abiding, standing, covenant, continuing.

**2 Timothy 3:1-5** But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God—having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them.

And this verse contains what the characteristics of those who defect and depart from truth – even to instigate others to do so. Then they follow falsehood, demonic teachings, and become selfish and just plain narcissistic in every facet of life.



It occurred to me that part of the Christian attrition is due to the prophetic reality in which we live, but also that the selfish part is entering into the equation in the following ways:

a consumer mindset – what I get out of it more than what I put into it.

a self-centered purpose – using God for our own purposes instead of asking Him His purpose for us.

personal fulfillment – seeking fulfillment in what can give verse finding fulfillment in God.

prayers centered around decisions – seeking God's direction and bless what we already made our mind up about.

It may seem harsh – but this is the spiritual reality we are facing today. What can be done to prevent this Christian attrition, to stay the course, to not become part of the tragic statistic?

It goes back to what Jesus said: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. **(John 15:1-2)** He also said "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And Jesus also said to the vinedresser, 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?' And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'" **(Luke 13:7-9)**

I also recently ran across devotional Adrian Rogers – and wow did it cut me to the heart like a pruning tool. I believe I have shared recently either at church and or elsewhere.

Commitment to Surrender. "Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven." (Matt. 6:10)

"I was in Romania talking with my translator, Pastor Joseph, and said, "You've been to America many times. Tell me about American Christianity." He said, "The key word in American Christianity is commitment. Commitment is a relatively new word in the United States. It can be found in some dictionaries, but it came into usage in the 60s and American Christians have gotten stronger and stronger in using the word commitment." I asked, "What's wrong with commitment?" He said, "When a new word comes in, it always replaces an old word. I searched to find the old word that commitment has replaced. The old word is surrender."

In commitment, you decide what you're going to do and commit yourself to it. When you surrender, you lift both hands and say, "I'm under Your control." Do you see the difference? In commitment, you're in control. In surrender, God's in control. He is the King and He is supreme. We simply say, "Your kingdom come; Your will be done. I am under your control."

What are some ways you have sought control? What are some things you need to surrender to God? What does it look like to live in daily surrender to God?"

There is no doubt that we need to surrender to God's, His pruning so we can grow, bear fruit, and not fade into the obscurity of Christian attrition.

By Jesus' Grace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pastor Dan" with a stylized flourish at the end.



# Choose Today Whom You Will Serve by Ronda Cooper

## The Influencer (Man) spoke:

Culture has profound effects on gender-related behavior, values, identity, roles, and how these are regarded in various social contexts. Culture governs the socialization of children, the tasks children are taught, the roles adult men and women adopt, and the expectations that govern women's and men's attitudes and behaviors. Ruth Wiencław.

The God of the Bible speaks thru His servant Moses: "Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the LORD your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, that you may fear the LORD your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. Deut.6:1-9

You must choose whom you will follow: the Lord or man!

Psalm 33:3-4 For the word of the LORD is upright, and all His work is trustworthy. The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of His loving devotion.

Upright: with moral integrity being honest-trustworthy, with adherence to God's laws-obedient.

Righteousness: the quality of moral uprightness, purity- aligning with the will of God and this can only be obtained through faith- a life changing gift from God that inwardly changes the heart, there by transforming the person.

This is a Hebrew term "Yashar" that means both physically and morally living a life pleasing to God. Walking a straight path: Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No

one comes to the Father except through Me. John 14:6 There is only one path that leads to righteousness and that can only be seen by those walking in His light!

You are now that light, we are now that light: and the leveling of our path comes through our heart, the valleys are lifted up and our mountains are made low. These are the transformations that arise from hearing the truth: acknowledging that truth and believing that anything is possible with the Lord.

Psalm 33:8-9 Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the people of the world revere Him. For He spoke, and it came to be; He commanded, and it stood firm.

This leaves no question of his power and his authority! Genesis 1:3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

Enough Said!



A sinner who has been saved should not quiver with fear when asked by the Lord to step up and step out to speak for and defend the weak and the oppressed! Our lives should now be full of thanksgiving and praise and filled with the burden (s) of those yet held captive in this world: especially our children!

**Psalm 33:12** Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people He has chosen as His inheritance!

We are grafted into the vine, Jesus being the vine: and we are now a part of Israel-her spiritual side, and as such we are a part of the kingdom of God. We are a nation God has raised up for himself. As his sons and daughters we must walk alongside our Lord into the belly of the beast, and fight, to bring out of that place of darkness: our children.

They may be children that we may not get to see face to face; but who are a part of our community, our state, our nation, and from these very places there has risen up an army of darkness that desires to kill, maim, and destroy what God has said was 'very good,' by turning them away from any hope of salvation, of reconciliation and eternal life.

**Proverbs 31:8** Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute.

Remember that being destitute does not always speak only of monetary value but of spiritually being without hope!

The article below was written to make people aware, now that school is about to begin, of the many days that are added on to many school calendars as 'days of observance. Many of these days will be pushed by the sexual revolutions agenda to keep and make captive all who walk thru the doors of the public school systems.

I would encourage you to go to [MissionAmerica.com](http://MissionAmerica.com) and read for yourself the entirety of the article and to read the articles that are mentioned as reference and information; then share them with someone who is captive to the public school system.

I encourage you to make note of the days mentioned and of the need- on those specific days; for true believers to come together and intentionally be in prayer on those days against the forces of evil: asking for God's protection to cover the hearts and minds of those at the mercy of this wickedness.

Let us turn over the table that our children are being set upon and stop the enemy's consumption of them!

The best way to win this war, to reclaim these souls; is on our knees! Let us pray that when Jesus returns that is where he will find us, crying out to him for the salvation of those yet in the captivity of our enemy-the devil!

Keep this list in your prayer area, and remember to pray against these dark forces and their lies, deceit and deceptions!

For what will you say to the Lord when you stand before him and he asks-why you chose to sit this one out? There will be no answer (s) to draw from; for your faith: will have said it all!



School Corruption & Propaganda Calendar: Mission America.com ALERT!!!! School Year 2025-26

Are you sick of your children being subjected to incessant, inaccurate and dangerous messages enlisting their support for—or worse, their involvement in -- homosexuality or gender deviance? And often now, this indoctrination will be interwoven with racism lessons, as if sexual immorality is similar.

Many schools allow or even celebrate these reckless, inaccurate messages on certain days and weeks during the academic calendar. Your children in class will usually have no choice except to endure rainbow posters, library displays, cafeteria tables, special speakers/ assemblies, classroom lessons and school announcements promoting the following events.

*During Fellowship*

Bisexual Awareness Week (Bi Week)-- September 16- 23 2025

Banned Books Week—October 5 – 11, 2025.

LGBTQ History Month—Month of October 2025

“Coming Out” Day – October 11—2025

Indigenous People's Day (sometimes substituted for Columbus Day)-- Monday, October 13, 2025

International Pronouns Day, October 15, 2025.

Spirit Day, October 16, 2025, sponsored by GLAAD.

Solidarity Week (formerly Ally Week), 2025

Transgender Awareness Week, November 13-19, 2025.

Transgender Day of Remembrance— November 20, 2025

No Name-Calling Week, January 19-23, 2026

National Day of Reading (promoting gender confusion) –end of February 2026 ( date to be announced

Black History Month-- all of February.2026

Transgender Day of Visibility— March 31, 2026

Day of (no) Silence— April 2026 ( date to be announced

International Day against Homophobia, Trans- phobia, and Bi-phobia– May 2026 ( specific date not confirmed).

Harvey Milk Day –May 22, 2026.

“LGBTQ” Pride Month – June 2026.

It's time to overcome evil with good.