

Connections



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Declaring to each individual their eternal value in Jesus and preparing them for His soon-return!

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Pastor's Greeting: Mission Month

Dear Anderson Church Family,

Our sermon theme for the first quarter of 2014 is "Staying Connected". As we continue towards our culmination weekend (March 28), we also be reminding you of the need to memorize the church mission statement (in the sidebar to your left).

Leading the way in this endeavor are our young people. Each week there will be a Parable of the Kingdom during the children's story time that will remind each of us of our eternal value in Jesus and the need to prepare for His soon return. As we get to the last Sabbath of February the children will take my chaplain badge and call on some of us adults during the story time to recite the mission statement. If this makes you feel a little bit nervous and you plan on not coming that Sabbath, then just be aware: I will also have them do this randomly throughout the year!

Why is it important to memorize or familiarize ourselves with our mission statement? Because, the more we remember why we are here, the more likely we are to continue thinking of ways to not be here: to prepare the world for Jesus return. The mission statement serves as a challenge to each of us: Are we declaring to each person that they are valued by God? Are we then helping them prepare for Jesus' soon return? Furthermore, are the ministries of our church contributing to the accomplishment of our mission? Ellen White summarizes beautifully:

"As we associate together, we may be a blessing to one another. If we are Christ's, our sweetest thoughts will be of Him. We shall love to talk of Him; and as we speak to one another of His love, our hearts will be softened by divine influences. Beholding the beauty of His character, we shall be "changed into the same image from glory to glory." 2 Cor. 3:18. {DA 83.5} May His mission transform us!

Staying Connected—The Desire of Ages

As we progress in our Staying Connected focus for the first quarter of 2015, I trust that each of us is being refreshed by focusing on Christ. Each week during the sermon time we will focus on an area that we all have been reading, so feel free to join us. This week's focus:

Week 6 Day 1	DA Ch. 80 – In Joseph's Tomb	
Day 2	DA Ch. 81 – The Lord is risen	
Day 3	DA Ch. 82 – Why Weep-est Thou?	
Day 4	DA Ch. 83 – The Walk to Emmaus	
Day 5	DA Ch. 84 – Peace Be Unto You	
Day 6	DA Ch. 85 – By the Sea	
Day 7	DA Ch. 86	



Anderson Connections (please see your bulletin for more announcements)

Discipleship Group—Tuesdays at 6pm. One of our 5 year goals is to start small groups in our communities. Learn how by joining us each week or by contacting Pastor Miller.

Folk Mountain Gospel Concert—March 7 @ 7pm. More online folkmountaingospel.com

Mission Trips—May 10-21 will be a trip to Camp MiVoden in Idaho. **June 17-28** will be an Ultimate Workout trip to Milo Academy, Oregon. If you would like to go, then contact John Hansen, Pastor Miller or the Office. Contribute by marking “Mission Trip” or “Youth Trip” on your tithe envelope.

Roof/Solar—Work begins February 16! Your contributions are still needed 4 “Roof/Solar”

Area & NCC Happenings

Northern California Conference call to prayer: each Thursday at 7:00am. Dial 424-203-8400 then put in the access code: 669648#

Prayer Retreat: March 13-15 at Leoni Meadows with Dr. David Levy. *Contact Della Nicola at (530) 624-6442 or NorCalPrayer@gmail.com.*