

"This relationship begins with

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD,

acknowledging that it is the truth, then making an intellectual decision to establish a personal relationship with Jesus Christ now."

*Worship
With Us*

SUNDAY

8:00-9:00 - Coffee & Fellowship

8:45-9:00- Prayer

9:00-9:45-Adult & Children's

Sunday Bible Lesson

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:00 - 11:30

Children's Church

2nd Sunday: Communion

11:30-12:30 Finger Food

POTLUCK

September 8th

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY

Prayer @ 9:45am

Brown Bag Bible Study

"Isaiah" @ Noon

Prayer & Praise Service

Wednesday's @ 4:00pm

THURSDAY

Worship Dance Class

1:30-2:30

Call Lin @ 935-6245

SATURDAY

Men's Breakfast

September 8th @ 8:00am

Sunday Service/Potluck

September 8th



We will be kicking off the new school year with prayer and fellowship in honor of all children, youth and teachers involved in the Children's Ministries.

Join us during the service for special prayer for all of the participants. Then join us in the fellowship hall after the service for a potluck lunch. There will be a "make your own concoction" table available for ice cream floats as a special treat for all!

FREEDOM SUNDAY

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MINISTRIES

The Sunday, September 29th service will include Carol Stickney telling us about how FM are working to combat Human Trafficking. A special offering will be taken for Set Free Ministries.



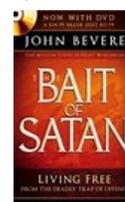
Men's Breakfast will be at Monica's Buttermilk Café on Saturday, September 8th at 8am.

A donation will be taken to help cover the cost of the meals.

At this time there will be discussion and planning on the direction of Men's Ministries.



Women's Ministry and the Women's Yada Yada study are joining forces on September 3rd to pray and do some brainstorming regarding the path for Women's Ministry.



This meeting is in the ALF Fellowship Hall with Linda Norris (936-0031). The new women's study is "The Bait of Satan" by John Bevere exposes one of the most deceptive snares Satan uses to get believers out of the will of God: offense. If offense is handled correctly, you will become stronger rather than bitter. Scholarships for the book are available. Please don't miss this life changing prayer/study group.



Calvary Chapel Deer Park Women's Ministry has invited the ALF women to attend a Women's "Friend-Ship" Retreat on Sept. 28th from 10-2pm. Doors open at 9:30 with a continental breakfast and worship music. Guest speaker will be Norma Shaeffer sharing from her book, "Twelve steps to stay on Track with God."

There will be classes to attend (cake decorating, drumming, sewing, card making etc.), and lunch will be served along with beverages available though out the day.

Advanced registration is required so please contact Judy Rarrick at 1-509-979-6723 or Val Messerall at 935-2082. To register via internet go to: www.calvarychapeldeerpark.com/events/womens-retreat



August has been a slow month in many ways here at Abundant Life Fellowship. This is normal as many of our programs are suspended or cut back during the Summer. The exception was Vacation

Bible School wrapping up on the first few days of the month. As noted in last month's episode of this little column, that was marvelous. Now that we are on the other end of the month, I can tell you though, that much discussion and preparation is taking place to ramp up for September and the resumption of the regular ministries.

As we enter the change of seasons, we are also beginning a new season of ministry at ALF. There are stirrings here and there. The Transformations videos are opening us to what can be in our church and community. Our prayer times are becoming more engaged, with God gracing us with His presence. It's exciting to consider what lies ahead.

Verse of the Month

Genesis 1:1

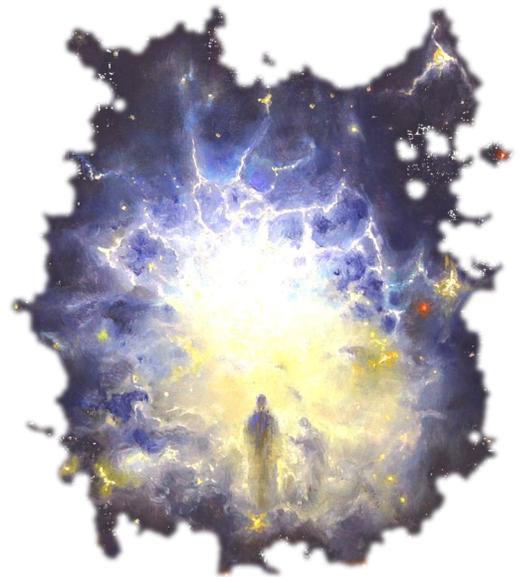
*"In the beginning God
Created the Heavens
and the Earth"*

In our adult Sunday School class we have been viewing and discussing the Transformation videos put out by the Sentinel Group. These document

genuine transforming revivals, where God comes and changes a community from a basket case to a great witness of the power of God.

We talked of principles which encourage this change as well as obstacles to such change. One of the obstacles was low expectations of what God can do. At the core of this is a lack of awareness and experience of the supernatural.

Of course, the Bible witnesses to the supernatural from the very first verse though the end of Revelation. This month we will be exploring the supernatural: not only what it is but how we can see more of it realized in our lives. It seems like the first verse in the Bible is a good place to start. If we can get our heads around creation, we will have to realize that this was an incredible supernatural act. Genesis forms a foundation for the rest of the Bible, with the first chapter being the foundation for Genesis. While the supernatural is an almost limitless topic, we will be exploring some dimensions of it, in anticipation of experiencing more of it as well.



HANDS ACROSS NATIONS



Excitement is building as Hands Across Nations is nearing Benefit time! Keith will be returning from Uganda to Chewelah Sept 18th and will remain in the country for 2 months, for a well-earned vacation. Our Benefit Team is moving full steam ahead with tickets going on sale the first week of September at Akers Drug, and through ALF team members Debbie Barbee, Greg Scott, Brock McMillan, Trish Miller and Carolyn Jones! Terry Trefz is returning

as our chef for a fabulous Barbeque menu, of ribs and chicken, baked potatoes, baked beans, coleslaw and corn bread! Videos of the recent progress in Uganda and the ALWAYS enjoyable live and silent auctions will take place with Brock McMillan as our MC and Jay Lancaster as auctioneer! Raffle tickets for a beautiful, handmade quilt are also available now and at the benefit. Drawing will be that night. If you have nice items for the silent or live auction, large or small, please contact Carolyn at 509-979-7448.



A big need for us at HAN is a newer, functioning car. We have been without a car for most of a year. We're putting out a call for all of the great dessert makers to volunteer to make one or two desserts in order to raise funds for a good car with 4 wheel drive and large capacity for carrying people, literacy materials and broken down motorcycles!

God is definitely moving in the prisons of the Lango Sub-Region of N. Uganda! With teacher training moving forward in 6 new prisons, men and women are coming to know Jesus in a powerful way! The now literate inmates are starting Bible Discovery groups where they are meeting regularly to study the Bible together, and some have started churches in their prisons. This is all at the leading of the Holy Spirit! As Keith says, we are carrying the bricks, and they are doing the rebuilding! The Free Methodist motto, "Love God, Love People, Make Disciples", is happening!



Rebecca, the 10 year old sister of one of our teacher trainers in the village, is continuing to slowly but surely recover from her brain surgery and fractured thigh. She was recently unable to speak or move her body at all. She is now responding with a few words, laughing, and strength is returning to her paralyzed limbs. HAN has assisted her with surgeries and medical care. She is exercised 4 times a day, and the students taught by her brother, Bonny, from a local school nearby, are visiting her daily to read to her and tell her stories!

God is moving! Corrupt and selfish hearts are being softened and are serving others.

The Lord has opened doors beyond our wildest imaginations, and He is guiding us how to move through them. Praise be to the living God!

Sunday School



Sunday School is from
9:00 - 9:45 for all ages.

The Adult Sunday School class for the summer winding down and as we have been investigating how God has lead His people in bringing community-wide transformations for Christ. This process has been a “hands-on” study with group prayer sessions of developing and implementing our own game plan for our own community in our pursuit of fulfilling God’s command to us to go out and make disciples.

Children's Church

Our Children’s Church program is changing, and we’re excited! We have several new teachers who will each take one week every four to six weeks. Each teacher will determine his or her activity: A flannel graph story, a craft, music, learning the books of the Bible and how to find scriptures by their “address” or perhaps something entirely different.

Like the adults, each month our Children’s Church will have a Verse of the Month, and all our activities will hark back to that verse. Later in September we hope to offer a short training session for volunteers or potential volunteers, to learn about our basic schedule and to find out where we keep snacks, supplies, etc.

If you have a special skill that you would like to share with the children, we offer one-time or once-a-quarter opportunities. If you’re not interested in teaching a class, we also need helpers each week. We have a small pool of helpers at this time but would love to expand it. Think about it...for the “cost” of just one Sunday every four, eight, or 12 weeks, you can be instrumental in bringing a child to the Lord! *Val Messerall*

The Miracle of the Salvation Through Jesus Christ

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.
Romans 10:10.

Our opening verse lets us know how salvation is made real in our lives; it's by declaring the lordship of Jesus over your life. Someone can "believe" that Jesus is the Son of God, and still go to hell. To believe is not enough. The Bible says even the devils also believe; they believe so much that they tremble, but that doesn't mean they are, or can be, saved: "Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble" (James 2:19).

If you believe that Jesus is the Son of God, and that He died for you, paid the price for your sins, and that God raised Him from the dead, you must also confess His lordship over your life; otherwise, you're not saved. A man's good works won't save him either. Salvation from God isn't as a result of your good works; it's by the grace of Jesus Christ: "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast" (Ephesians 2:8-9).

The Bible tells us of a certain Roman centurion, Cornelius by name, a devout and generous man; but he was not saved (Acts 10:2). The Lord sent an angel to him and said, "...Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter; who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved" (Acts 11:13-14). His good deeds didn't save him. He had to receive salvation through the affirmation of words—words of the Gospel. Receiving salvation is the greatest miracle of all. Once you believe in Jesus and confess that He's Lord of your life, you receive the life and nature of God. In that split second, you're awakened to the fatherhood of God; you become a legal and vital child of God.

Share this good news with those you meet who haven't yet known the Lord. Tell them they don't have to try to atone for their sins or impress God with their works.

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, I repent of my sins and open my heart to let Jesus come inside of me. Jesus, You are my Lord and Savior. I believe you died for my sins and you were raised from the dead. Fill me with your Holy Spirit. Thank You Father for saving me. In Jesus name. Amen.

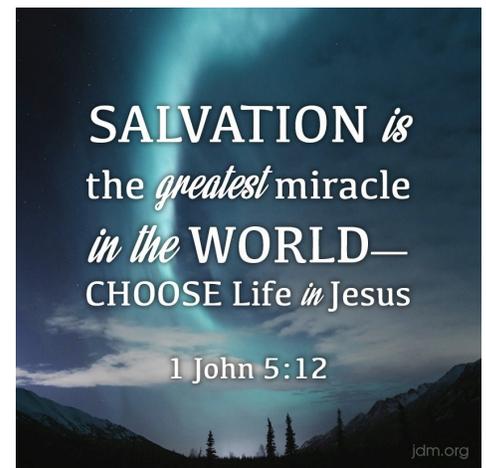
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CALL THE PRAYER CHAIN:

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MARY KNAPP 936-0319



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