

July 2010

The Messenger

Do We Dare to Dream?

On Skills Camp Sunday 2010, Wayne Augenson succinctly summarized the vector God has had our church on since its beginning. He aimed us toward five points in our past, one long ago and four very recent. He began by reminding us of a snapshot from a few years after our founding of our sanctuary filled with children's faces (over 400!). Wayne made the point that perhaps our founders, beginning in a farmhouse surrounded by farmland, didn't dare to dream that a sanctuary overflowing with children was possible. But that's what God can do when the Holy Spirit is at work.

Wayne then reminded us of our building campaign. Our consultants, the Timothy Group, analyzed our giving units, budgets, demographics, survey results and our local and global economies, and recommended a dollar amount that we should aim for. We didn't dare dream that we could go beyond the target. And yet, we far exceeded what we thought was possible. Again, Wayne said, this is what happens when the Holy Spirit is at work.

Third, Wayne talked about Alpha, our evangelism outreach program. As the Alpha planning team researched, we hoped for twenty-five participants. We didn't dare dream that more might be interested. We were amazed when 50 arrived to begin the course! This is what happens, Wayne said, when the Holy Spirit is at work.

Fourth, Wayne referenced Skills Camp – 100 kids, 62 volunteers, 12 decisions for Christ, amazing results in a church filled with a week of fun and passion! Indeed, this is what happens when the Holy Spirit is at work.

Last, Wayne reminded us of our Annual Meeting in May. The business was coming to a close, and we began a conversation over what God was calling us to do to love our neighbors the way God loves us. In brainstorming the needs in our neighborhood and potential answers to those needs, Wayne noticed the passion, joy, and sense of expectation that God was at work in our church and we were to be at work in our neighborhood. Wayne sensed the Holy Spirit's work among us at the meeting, and now we are called to partner with the Holy Spirit to develop our neighborhood outreach.

On Skills Camp Sunday 2010, Wayne invited each of us to reflect on serving on the planning team as we develop a survey for the neighborhood and as we flesh out a program for us to launch this fall as we rededicate our renewed building and seek the revival that God has in store for us. If you dare to dream about the future God has for Broadway, please offer to plan, pray, and participate with Holy Spirit, and together let's see what God can do!

In Christ, Pastor Eric

BCC Student Ministries

TO LEAD OFF, MAKE SURE YOU READ THE SKILLS CAMP 411 INCLUDED IN THIS MONTH'S MESSENGER! IT WAS A GREAT WEEK!!

After seeing the welts and hearing the stories, I came to the conclusion that our paintball excursion on June 12th to Promised Land Paintball Park was a success! It appears that kids were shooting at those on their own team in addition to the "bad guys". Go with whatever works I guess! Dodging paintballs and raindrops was the primary objective for our students and counselors. People enjoyed the beach and lunch and really had a great time. I left our students in Dan Schweitzer and Sylvia Bowman's capable hands as I stayed back to prepare for Skills Camp and to give my knee some extra heal time! Hopefully we can go again sometime soon so if you missed out, stay tuned!

Overhaul is revving back up after some hit and misses during Skills Camp and Father's Day. We'll be off for the 4th of July, but on every Sunday in July after that. Then, on July 15th – 17th, The Lamantia family has offered up the use of their Lakehouse to Overhaul for the weekend. It's over near Galena and there's more details coming soon. Save the date so you can join us for a water filled weekend. Thanks to the Lamantia Family for their offer!



Last go round, poison ivy seemed to rear its ugly head during our stay out at Rock Cut. I guess that's what happens when you dive into a bush for cover during a midnight edition of "Shadow Camouflage". However, this year we're hoping for none of that during Roots Campout. It's happening on Tuesday, July 13th – 14th. Look for those flyers coming in the mail! Bring those fishing poles and tents and remember, this is a great event to bring your friends to! Plan on meeting each Wednesday night for Roots at 6pm at Church unless the website says different! Speaking of...

Broadway's student website is up and running. It's still a work in progress but will contain all the needed info and updates you need to stay in the loop. Downloads, info, updates, cancellations, flyers, permission slips, winning lotto numbers, and Skills Camp and other event pics can be found at www.broadwaycovenant.com/student. Well, maybe not the lotto numbers! ☺ Keep checking back as info changes and as we transition into that as our main communication platform.

Thanks to so many for working so hard for so long to sustain a so important ministry to our so awesome children!! So, my heartfelt appreciation to all of you for a great Skills Camp 2010!

Peace, Derek

Mission Report

This month we are praying for David & Judy Dolan who have been the Coordinators for Chinese Ministries since 1999. China was the first Covenant mission field, established in 1890. There has been rapid growth of the Christian church in mainland China. The Covenant Church has the following goals for China: Establish 10 to 20 churches for immigrant laborers; start 10 factory churches; assist economically deprived school children; plant 5 urban student centers; build urban churches; operate house church worker training centers; assist Chinese church workers receiving training abroad and establish 25 mission sites in Muslim areas.

Habitat for Humanity Lunches: On Saturday July 24th we will be making lunches for those working on the houses. We will be providing 60 lunches. If anyone would like to donate fruit, chips or cookies or if you would like to help that morning to prepare the lunches please let Sue Warren know at 397-3158 or ssnwrr@aol.com.

Prayer and Praise:

Tim Sales, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship:

- Praise for the turn around and momentum that has been gained at Rockford College
- Pray for the 12 students who made decisions to follow Christ this year that they grow in their faith.

KICY Radio Station, Alaska

- Praise for the 50 years that they have been on the air serving the Lord with uplifting broadcasts.
- Pray for safe travel for 3 work teams who are going KICY this summer.

Read their newsletters and other letters from our missionaries in the book by the Missions Board.

Missionaries Broadway Supports:

Robert & Joyce Widman	Peter & Ruth Dutton
Leonid & Leanna Regheta	David & Judy Dolan
Tim & Andrea Johnson	Jim & Barb Mikrut
Byron & Sue Bruckner	



FunFest 2010

The 2010 Funfest will take place on Sat., August 28th. Lots of help is needed to plan, prepare and execute this outreach event. Please call Jon Brown or Eric Holstein and find out how you can help.



Skills Camp Totals

1,200	Pictures taken
326.55	Dollars collected for missions
164	T-shirts purchased
92	Rockets launched
85	Crafts created
80	Skills Campers
73	Cookies baked
63	Volunteers
51	Fabric fun projects finished
25	Songs sung
19	Jr. Campers
17.5	Robots constructed
12	First time commitments to Christ
5	Super skits
4	Construction workers
3	Sunny days
2	Rainy days
1	AMAZING GOD

From the Building Committee

WOW!! Our church building is really changing. The two north entrances are nearing completion, we have two beautiful new bathrooms and work on the southeast entrance and elevator is beginning. And maybe the best news is that in spite of weather conditions and the challenge of remodeling a building that is over 50 years old, we are still on schedule to be substantially complete by the first of September. It's not going to be easy, but that remains our goal. We appreciate your input and words of encouragement. Please continue to follow the progress updates on our blog and be sure to come on Sunday for worship and to see the changes that are occurring. If you have a question, please contact a member of the building committee. Thanks once again for making this project a reality.

With thanks to God,

The Building Committee

Al Damrose	Eric Holstein
Randy Price	Steve Schweitzer
Keith Holmertz, Chair	



Birthdays

- 1 Kurt Anderson
Candice McCulloch
- 2 Matt Link
- 5 Gladys Anderson
- 6 Jonathan Brown
- 7 Arlene Schweiger
- 8 Troy Jackson
- 10 Pearl Wienke
- 13 Matthew Carlson
- 15 Mike Bliss
- 16 Rosalie Pearson
- 17 Joan Boettcher
Wesley Nelson
- 18 Todd Johnson
- 19 Marshall Johnson
- 21 Ann Mary Ferguson
- 22 Kimberly Haase
- 23 Louise Berg
- 25 Nancy Rainwater
- 26 Wayne Augenson
- 31 Pam Zollar



Anniversaries

- 2 Mayford & Pearl Engstrom
- 3 Charles & Noel Carlson
- 8 Erin & Tim Clark
- 14 Robert & Lorrie Werthman
Mike & Stacey Parlapiano
- 23 Philip & Kathy Adams
- 24 Gerald & Christine Bauer
Doug & Kathie Knight

Remember in Prayer

Pastor Dick Rasanen recovering from gall bladder surgery.

Roger Creedy healing from a broken rib.

Phil Adams Sr., home recuperating from surgery.

Tyler Swanson's health and work as a project manager in Williamson, WV through YouthWorks.

Justin Murdock, Mike Golian and Mary Sue Bjurstom serving in Afghanistan and **Craig Anderson** in Iraq.

July Head Usher

Jon Brown

July Counters

Jon Brown & Bill Forsen



Congratulations to:

Jason Holmertz and Shelby Martin who are engaged to be married. They are planning a May 2011 wedding in Minnesota.



Coffee Reception

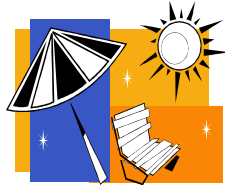
Plan now to join us on Sunday July 18th immediately following the worship service for a reception in honor of Pastor Joyce Cosman's ordination.

North Park calls Pastor Mach

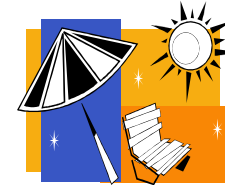
The new pastor at North Park Covenant Church, Jason Mach, will officially start on Sunday July 4th. The installation service will be July 18th with the Central Conference Superintendent Jerome Nelson officiating at 10:00 a.m. followed by an open house.


Financial Update from Treasurer

Thanks to all of you our May receipts were slightly over budget and we were able to make significant progress on unpaid bills. However we need July donations to stay strong to continue this progress. Please give prayerful consideration to what you can give for this urgent need.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 9:15 Worship 	5 Office closed in recognition of Independence Day	6 8:30 Corporate Prayer	7 12:00 Prayer 6:00 Roots	8	9	10
11 9:15 Worship 6:00 Overhaul	12	13 8:30 Corporate Prayer 6:30 LT Meeting 6:30 RG Meeting	14 12:00 Prayer 6:00 Roots	15	16	17
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