

Community Bible Church- February 2012 Newsletter



Something to Think About...in Mark 11:22-24 we read the words of Jesus – *“Jesus answered and said to them, have faith in God. For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, Be removed and be cast into the sea, and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.”*

Everyone that’s gone through life for very long, (that is, those who have made it to and survived adulthood and all it has to offer, for any length of time) knows that life, seems to run in cycles, there are ups and downs we all go through. Mountain top experiences are always

the best, that’s why the accuser always seems to come along and wants to bring you down any time that you get near one. The Devil’s goal is to always have the mountain in front of you, because he knows, once the mountain is behind you, he has lost the battle.

But you see, God through His Son Jesus, wants to bless you in every situation you face, He wants all of your needs to be more than met, be it; physical – spiritual – personal – financial. There is no need that you may have, great or small, that God does not want to see met and exceeded, because our God is always a God of more than enough. The accuser on the other hand, doesn’t want to see any of your needs met, that’s why he tries to make mountains out of everything and anything. For most, 99 times out of 100, he doesn’t succeed. But the one time he finds you struggling with something, he’s going to do all he can, to turn it into a mountain.

Its in these times, we need to have faith in God! Verse 22 again says that *“Jesus answered and said to them, have faith in God.”* The key words are *“in God”*. Jesus didn’t just say, Have faith, but to Have faith in God. A person can have all the faith in the world, but unless it’s in something, or someone, it’s rendered powerless. Faith has to have an object to work; you see faith has no value in that and of itself; only the object (in this case, God) can give faith its value.

A lot of people seem to only have faith, faith (which really means, they have faith in themselves). Now don’t get me wrong, you should believe in yourself and have confidence, but you have to realize, when you only rely on yourself, you are only limited to your own natural abilities. It’s only when you have faith in God that you open up yourself to realm of unlimited possibilities; because He has supernatural abilities! The Bible doesn’t say to have faith in faith, because when someone does that and only relies on what their capable of, then problems can overwhelm them. Often people feel that if they can somehow just muster up enough faith, they can take care of the situation on their own, that’s how faith in one’s self, works. After all, how hard could it be to obtain a mustard size portion of faith?

That is exactly what the children of Israel thought, when they asked God for the Law to be passed down. They were tired of depending on God for everything, they said just tell us what we need to do. They were ready to rely on their faith its self, instead of the faith in the One, who had seen to their every need for 40 yrs! Their mountains, with God leading the way, had always been in their rearview mirror, but at the point they began to trust in their own abilities, the mountains were sit down, right smack dab in front of them.

Man’s faith in the natural, is never going to remove the mountains in life. Only the supernatural capabilities of God can remove the mountains and cast them into the sea. – *Pastor Bradley Kihlthau*

“The Revelation of Jesus Christ”



Pastor Brad will be continuing the verse by verse study of the Book of Revelation this month. We plan to continue with the study of chapters 2 & 3 concerning the letters from Jesus Christ to the seven churches of Asia Minor and the relevancy of these letters to the church of today.

February – 5th *“The Corrupt Church”* of Thyatira

February – 12th *“The Dead Church”* of Sardis

February – 19th *“The Open Door Church”* of Philadelphia

February – 26th – *“The Lukewarm Church”* of Laodicea



Servers for February

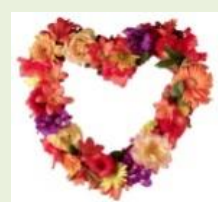
Greeters: Maureen Reiber and Lexi Koontz

Ushers: Caleb Ekberg, Mark Dalbey, Neil Baker, Rod McCoy

Nursery:	Children's Church
5 th Dez Wilkins	5 th Annie/Cinda
12 th Amy Schmunk	12 th Steve & Cathy Erdman
19 th Lexi Koontz	19 th Becci / Jeremy
26 th -Mason Family	26 th Jackie and Caleb Hayden

Hymn Sing-along Group

This group will be meeting on Sunday, Feb. 19 at 5:00 pm. Please bring finger foods to share. This is a great way to fellowship and at the same time have fun singing praise songs to the Lord Jesus.



Women of Joyful Hearts

*Feb. 1 - Service Meeting -
Devotion & dessert by
Cinda Ross*

*Thursdays Feb. 9, 16, and 23, we will have Bible Study at 9:30 am.
All ladies welcome to join us!!!*



AWANA's Sports Night
will be Wed. Feb. 1 at 6:15 pm.
Come join the games and refreshments.



(Picture of kids enjoying the Penny Carnival Jan. 18th)

Upcoming events for AWANA's. Sat. Feb. 4 will be the AWANA Quiz in Scottsbluff. The AWANA Games will be held in Scottsbluff on Sat. March 3. Anyone interested in attending, please contact Chris.

Midweek Bible Study

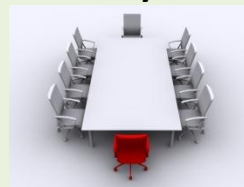
Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm



"Living In Hostile Territory" –

This is an informal study of the Book of 1 Peter. We are seeking God's instruction for Christians to be able live and serve Him in a hostile world.

January Elder's Meeting Agenda Report



Present – Kevin Ross, Roger Korell, Tim Hoxworth, and Pastor Brad.

Prayer Requests were taken – Devotion was shared by Roger Korell on 7 reasons why you can trust the Bible. Prayer time was

held.

Previous Elder Meeting Minutes were reviewed and accepted as presented.

Financial Report was reviewed and accepted as presented – current balance \$32,640.44

Ministry Updates: Worship – Pastor Brad plans to continue series of messages from the Book of Revelations – Pastor has lined up a special event for Palm Sunday of which a special Jewish Passover presentation from Chosen People Ministries will be shared. The cost of \$200 for travel assistance and a free-will offering that morning was approved.

Women of Joyful Hearts – are making plans to paint front area of sanctuary – they have helped with recent funeral meal and are continuing with weekly Bible studies.

Men of Faith – plan to continue with meals and Bible studies on 3rd Thursday of each month through the rest of the winter – they are planning a Ladies appreciation dinner on Sunday Feb. 11th - will be installing shelf for popcorn machine in chair storage area – and making plans to participate in the church trap club in Bridgeport again this summer.

Youth / AWANA – the Youth group is planning a bowling event this coming Sunday – the AWANA Penny Carnival this went well (Randy Gompert was given \$50) – AWANA also working to get some kids of our club to the AWANA Bible Quiz in Scottsbluff Feb. 4th / Pastor is working on plans of having a Baseball Camp for VBS this Summer.

Sunday School / Bible Studies – Wed Mid-week Bible study – 1 Peter continuing - FCA study @ High School Bible study on Wednesdays – planning to start new adult Sunday school in Feb.

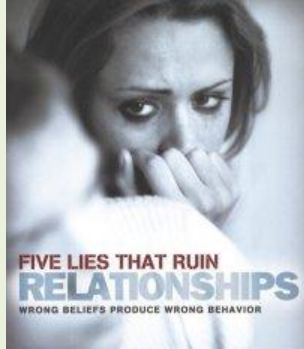
Missions – Pastor Brad shared update concerning the Camp Rock.

Other – Annual meeting plans were established with three men to be voted as new elders / Cleaning of church discussed / approval was given to purchase new Clavinova from Music and More for sanctuary (will be using the Scott Ekberg and Theresa Hood's memorial funds towards this purchase) / board approved the purchase of KCMI Banquet tickets for Feb 16th in the amount of \$110.00 / the board established Pastor Brad's ministry and medical expense limits for tax purposes. Meeting was closed in prayer.



MOPS will be meeting on Monday, Feb. 6 - from 6:00 to 8:30 pm.

This meeting will include a session on cleaning and organizing your home. All mothers of preschoolers are encouraged to attend to have a time of fellowship, learning, and a meal while the small children enjoy Moppets.



**Men of Faith
Supper and Bible Study
February 16 @ 6:00 p.m.**

We will continue with the video teaching sessions from Chip Ingram who is president of **Living On the Edge** Ministry. Lesson this month is **"How our jobs can destroy our relationship."**

**Men of Faith presents
"Ladies Appreciation Meal"**
Sunday, Feb. 12 at 6:00 pm.

In The Fellowship Hall

All the ladies of our church are encouraged to attend and enjoy a great meal prepared and served by the men. Entertainment will be provided. A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board. It will be \$5.00 per person. Reservations need to be done by February 5.



Where will you be after death?

Starting Sunday February 12th during the adult Sunday school hour we will be showing a video series of teaching on the only two possibilities of where we go when we die. Pastor Erwin Lutzer will be revealing what the Bible says about heaven and hell.



Discover what the afterlife will be like, whether purgatory exists, what near-death experiences can teach us, and more. This will be encouragement for believers and a word of caution for the undecided!



**KCMI Annual Banquet –
February 16th**

Our church has sponsored a table for the KCMI Banquet to be held at the Gering Civic Center again this year. If you are interested in attending please contact the church office if you would like to reserve a place. The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. that evening.



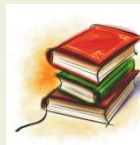
If you would like to be part of the worship team for Sunday morning services feel free to contact Candace Ross and get plugged in!
"Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy" – Psalm 33:3

**Youth Group Meets Sunday afternoons
from 2-4 p.m. each week!**

Junior through senior high students are encouraged to attend, for weekly games, snacks and Bible studies.

Need a good book to read?

Make use of the church's library, it is now located on the first landing as you come in the front doors of the church building. Bible studies, commentaries, novels, autobiographies, etc. The books are there for your use on an honor system only.



If you would be interested in having a home Bible study in your home on a weekly basis please contact Pastor Brad. This is a great way to fellowship with other believers. It is also a way to invite new people from your neighborhood and workplace to a casual environment to get to know more about Christ and the hope He offers.




Daily Bread and Keys for Kids Devotionals are available on the literature rack



Prayer Requests – if you have a prayer need or praise you may contact us at community.bible@hotmail.com

Check out our Web Site for recent worship service recordings, birthdays, anniversaries, and a complete list of ministries and other activities – www.bayardcommunitybible.com

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
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