

FaithNews

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CONNECTIONS Groups Begin This Month

Are “Connections” groups just another program or activity of the church, or do they provide a greater value at Faith Assembly? Should everybody get involved in a Connections group?

There are at least 38 “one another” verses in the Bible that teach and encourage us in how we should relate as brothers and sisters in Christ. We grow and thrive best in Community, and THAT is why Connections groups are important; not just to Faith Assembly, but to every believer who considers Faith Assembly “home”.

Connections groups meet in homes across the area (and a few at the church) at various times and on various days over an 8-week period. The typical Connections get-together consists of 35-40 minutes of fellowship, a brief video lesson, and a sharing time. Each meeting is 90 minutes in length. Connections aren't just about having another Bible study - they're about connecting with others on a social and spiritual level.

Our next 8-week session of Connections begins the week of January 27 and concludes the week of March 17. Brochures and signup sheets will be available at the Connections table in the lobby before and after services beginning January 13. Groups are limited in the number they can accommodate, so be sure to sign up early. For more information, go to www.FaithNFM.com or call the church office at 239.543.2700.

EXPLORE Worship Arts

Faith Assembly's Worship Arts Ministry is hosting a reception on Sunday, January 13, following the second service for anyone who wants to learn more about this multi-faceted ministry. Opportunities to serve include band, worship team, choir, special music, audio, stage management, lighting and media. After enjoying a light lunch in the Fellowship Hall, you will have the opportunity to speak with representatives from each of the ministries. The lunch is free. For planning purposes, please let us know if you are coming by contacting the church office at 239.543.2700, or by responding through the Communication Card in the Sunday bulletin.



If you love to sing, then January is a great time to consider checking out our great choir ministry. We have set aside an evening for you to do just that. We would love to have you as our special guest for our Choir Open House on Thursday, January 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the choir room. You don't have to sign up - just show up and check us out!

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If you have questions about any FaithNews items, please contact the church office at 239.543.2700.

Complete details on these and other events are also available online at

www.FaithNFM.com and www.71o1.com

Holiday Giving Report

Because of your generosity during this season, Faith Assembly was able to provide in the following areas:

Bayshore Elementary received 41 holiday meals to distribute to families, and 13 families were provided for through the Giving Tree for Christmas gifts. (13 families totaling 42 children with 3 gifts for each child);

Money was given to Nations Association for gifts and meals;

Teen Challenge received 54 gift cards for the men and women in their programs;

Step of Faith received 40 gifts for children in their church;

Thanksgiving dinner was served in the Fellowship Hall for over 100 people;

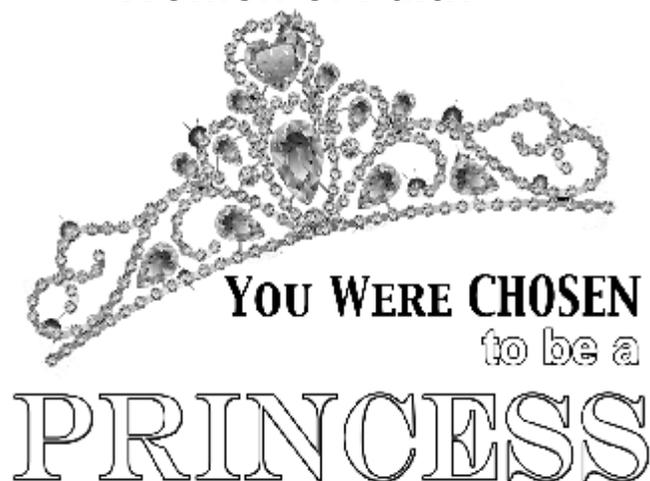
17 Faith Assembly families were given gifts for a total of 34 children with 3 gifts each, and 9 Christmas dinners were provided. Thank you, again, for your generosity.

Water Baptism

If you are a believer who would like to be baptized in water, we'll be conducting a baptismal service in the Auditorium immediately following our midweek service Wednesday, January 23. Water baptism is a public declaration of our commitment to Christ, so we encourage you to invite family and friends to come share in this significant step.

If you wish to participate, mark the box on the Communication Card in the bulletin or call the church office at 239.543.2700. Bring a towel and a change of clothing. You will also need to attend a brief orientation meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Choir Room that evening. For more information about water baptism, pick up a brochure at the Information Counter.

Women of Faith



A Conference For Ladies of All Ages with Special Invitation to Girls Grades 6-12

with Jennifer Beckham, former Disney Princess

Chosen by Disney for her flawless outward beauty, soon her childhood dream of being a princess turned into a nightmare.



Saturday, January 12
10:00 a.m - 2:00 p.m.

- Morning Session with Jennifer
- Lunch (Provided)
- Afternoon Session with Jennifer

There is no charge to attend; an offering will be taken.

Childcare by our trained and screened workers provided for children ages infant through 5th grade.

For information, contact Tammy Cruse
239-543-2700 or Tammy@FaithNFM.com

Men Of Faith

Guest Speaker: Chaplain Mat Stout

Men of all ages and their sons are invited to join us Tuesday, January 8, at 6:30 p.m. for our next Men of Faith dinner. We meet in the Fellowship Hall on the North Campus. After we share a great meal and time of fellowship, we'll hear from Lee County Corrections Bureau Chaplain, Mat Stout.

The Corrections Bureau offers a wide range of programs and services designed to prepare inmates for re-entry into the community, including substance abuse groups, anger management, Bible studies, general and GED education, and life skills training, just to name a few. Chaplain Stout is an Assembly of God minister. He will present the ongoing needs in our jails and detention centers and share with us the great work God is doing in the lives of those incarcerated there.

2013 Giving Envelopes

Boxed sets of 2013 Giving Envelopes are now available at the Information Counter.

Online Tithing and Contributions

Contributions can be made online at FaithNFM.com. Your giving can be scheduled for regular tithes and offerings, and you can give special offerings, too. All transactions are easy and secure using debit or credit cards or electronic transfers from your bank account. Simply go to FaithNFM.com and select the Give Online link. If you have questions, email Tim@FaithNFM.com.

Relentless Student Ministries

January Sermon Series

Our sermon series for the month of January is "FINISH". Many people will start off the year 2013 well, but the question is will they finish strong? We are going to be challenged and encouraged to look at 2013 as a year to "FINISH". We will be discussing how we want to live our lives, and how we want our relationships and community to look in December. According to Hebrews 12:1 The race is set before us, now let's "FINISH"!

Nerf Wars

The War of Northern Aggression is upon us and the South must rise up! On January 26 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., we will be having historic battles at the North Campus. Our tools of choice will be nerf guns, so bring one or two if you have them to share with others. We will even have a cease arms to have some snacks and punch. Mark your calendars and get ready for War!!

Seniors Pot Luck

All seniors are invited Tuesday, January 22, from noon until approximately 3:00 p.m. to a pot luck luncheon in the North Campus Fellowship Hall. Those with names starting A-L are asked to bring a dessert or salad, M-Z please bring a meat dish or casserole. Beverages will be provided.

At 1:00 p.m., our own Dan Allender, driver for Fed-Ex Freight, will present a program called "NO ZONE" from the Florida Trucker's Association concerning safe driving.

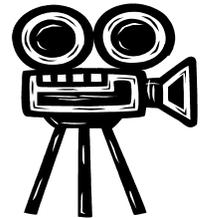
Family Movie Night

Bring the family on Friday, January 25, at 7:00 p.m., to the North Campus Auditorium and enjoy the uplifting, family-friendly movie, "Amazing Love: The Story of Hosea".

Synopsis: On a weekend camping trip, church youth group leader Stuart takes the opportunity to share with the kids the incredibly powerful biblical story of Hosea; a story of immovable faith, impeccable commitment, and impervious love. Will Hosea's story be able to inspire the kids to open their hearts to such an amazing love?

Cast: Sean Astin, Erin Bethea, Elijah Alexander, Patty Duke.

There is no charge to attend. Popcorn and soft drinks will be available for purchase in the Coffee Shop area of the Fellowship Hall prior to the start of the movie.



Newcomers Luncheon

If you are new to Faith Assembly, we'd love to get better acquainted with you and your family. Please join us for a free lunch on Sunday, January 20, immediately following the second service. (Approximately 12:15 p.m.) There's no agenda other than fellowship, and you'll enjoy a delicious meal with our pastors and their families. We'll answer any questions you may have and finish by 1:00 p.m. No reservations are needed, but it will help in our planning if you would mark the Communication Card in the bulletin or call the church office at 239.543.2700 to let us know how many in our family will be attending.

Bayshore Christmas Program Update

We hosted the annual winter program put on by Bayshore Elementary School on Tuesday, December 11th. There were about 1200 kids and families in our Auditorium. Our volunteers served cookies and punch to the families, ushered, greeted, and ran the technical aspects of the program for them.

We received a letter from grandparents of one of the students thanking us for allowing Bayshore Elementary to use our facilities and referring to it as a generous community outreach. Thank you to all those involved who helped make this a successful evening.

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OUR WEEKLY SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING

8:15 & 10:45 a.m.

Morning Worship Services, Auditorium, Building 3

8:15, 9:45 & 10:45 a.m.

Nursery & Preschool Ministry, (Birth - 4 years),
Sunshine Station, Building 3

8:15 & 10:45 a.m.

Kid's Church in Studio 7, (K - 5th grades),
Kid's Paradise, Building 3

9:45 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages. Pick up a class schedule
at the Information Counter for locations.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

5:15 - 6:30 p.m.

Dinner, Fellowship Hall, Building 3

7:00 p.m.

Adult Bible Study, Auditorium, Building 3

7:00 p.m.

Relentless Youth Church, (Grades 6 - 12),
Upstairs West Wing, Room 207, Building 3

7:00 p.m.

Classes for children (Birth - Grade 5)
Sunshine Station and Kid's Paradise, Building 3

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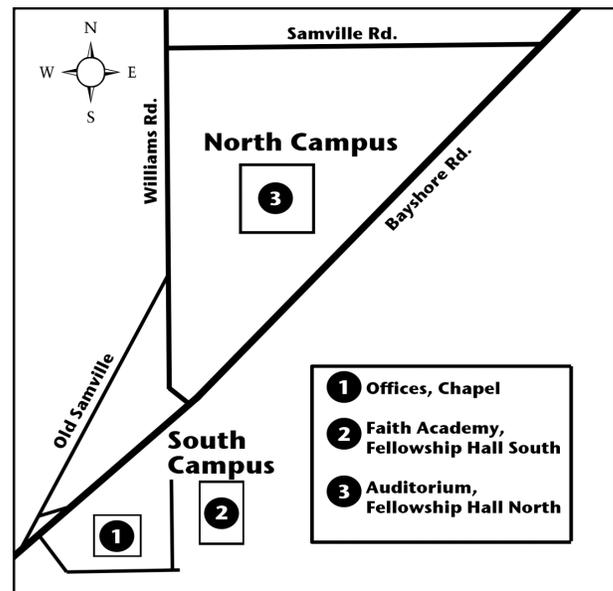
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