

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR BOB

Sunday, August 1, 2010

Good morning and welcome to Abundant Life! I am glad that you are here; I consider it an honor to worship the Lord together today. If this is your first time to worship with us please take a minute to complete one of our Welcome Cards located in the guest packet. If you did not receive a guest packet you can get one at the Information Center in the lobby. Once you complete the card either drop it in the basket during the offering or leave it at the Information Center. Again, I am glad that you are here today! Pastor Bob

How many of you enjoying winning? Games are my favorite way in discovering more about people and how they handle winning or losing games. Last week during Wednesday Night live, we had an opportunity to interact with everyone who attended by a little competition between each other sitting at our tables.

In the game each table had a Dry Erase Board and there were six tables who participated and there were Six (6) Dry Erase Boards and markers. At the beginning of the game, all the Dry Erase Boards were clean and white as Snow. During the game, answers to questions were written on the boards with various colors of dry erase markers and by the end of the game all the boards were erased and clean as new again! It's similar to our lives. We start out clean and innocent, then we go through life and sometimes allow things to dirty up our "Life's Boards." Things are written upon our hearts and souls that ends up causing us pain.

Wouldn't it be great if we had an Eraser to wipe away all the pain from our heart's board? Since this is not possible, we grow from life experiences and in those experiences, we have the choice to decide if we want to win or lose.

God gave us a clear map to be successful in is WORD. Joshua 1:8 says This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Isn't that great to know we have a sure way to win? It's up to YOU!

***If you think you're a winner, you'll win.
If you dare to step out, you'll succeed.
Believe in your heart, have a purpose to start
Aim to help fellow man in his need.***

***Thoughts of faith must replace every doubt.
Use words of courage and you cannot fail.
If you stumble and fall, rise and stand ten feet tall
You determine the course that you sail.***

***For in life as in death don't you see.
It's the man who has nothing to fear
Who approaches the gates, stands a moment and waits,
Feels the presence of God oh so near.***

***You've been give the power to see.
What it takes to be real strong.
Let your thinking be pure, it will make you secure.
If you want to, you know that you can.***

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FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION

Kids Church Building Update

Last week our Building Task Force met and made a recommendation that we resume the work to repair the damage in the Kids Church Building. The Task Force evaluated all options and felt that this was the best one available to us. Work will be resuming soon, so please be sure to see Larry or Tim Fox to volunteer and find out the work schedule. There is much to be done and ways that everyone can help. Please be sure to mark any monetary gifts for the project "***Building Fund***".

Wednesday – Worship & the Word

*Join us Wednesday evening at 6:30 for a time of worship and ministry.
Kevin Barnett will be teaching this week.*

Speaker – Scott Washam

Next Sunday, August 8th at 10:30 AM

Serenity House Ice Cream Social Fundraiser

- Volunteers are needed for this special community event on Saturday August 7th. Sign up at the Information Center or see Cheryl Pletcher for details. We will be setting up the tent and chairs for the event Next Saturday August 7th. **Volunteers needed** to help with moving the tent and the chairs. Please see Tim Fox or Kevin Barnett
- Our Outreach Focus for August is the Serenity House. We will hear more about their ministry to our community and we will be taking a special outreach offering to support this ministry later August.

PRAYER REQUESTS / NEEDS

- ***Danielle Harris*** –healing of cancer
- ***Glenda Erwin*** – Pastor Bob's aunt, pancreatic cancer
- ***Serenity House*** – please pray for this ministry in our community, that God would provide for their every need

Ladies Aloft Fall Event

A.L.O.F.T. (Abundant Life, Our Fellowship Together)
Fall Kickoff/Parade of tables Saturday Sept. 11Th
Tickets are \$10 and sale starts Sunday Aug. 8Th
See Jessica Dingler for details or purchase your tickets!



Upcoming Events

August 4 – Kevin Barnett speaking at Wednesday evening service
August 4 – Prayer & Fasting
August 8 – Scott Washam speaking Sunday at 10:30AM
August 11 – Wayne Stowe speaking Sunday 10:30AM
August 19 – Wednesday Nite Live Cookout – *Back to School Bash*
August 29 – Congregational Meeting – *Regarding Building Issues*