# ELIM COVENANT CHURCH January 25, 2015

# All Scripture is God-breathed ...

2 Timothy 3:16

# WORSHIP CELEBRATION January 25, 2015

"The Bible is very easy to understand. But we Christians are a bunch of scheming swindlers. We pretend to be unable to understand it because we know very well that the minute we understand, we are obliged to act accordingly." Søren Kierkegaard

# **GATHERING BEFORE GOD**

We are invited into the presence of God! \*Please turn your cell phones off\* <u>Please sign the register book & pass it on.</u>

PRELUDE

#### SONGS OF PRAISE

Worship Facilitator

Greg Burney "My Redeemer Lives" "Your Great Name" "Thrive"

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## HEARING FROM GOD

We give our attention to God by opening our lives to His Word! We invite God's Spirit to take this Word into our lives that we might be formed into the image and likeness of Jesus!

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH**

"Look to the Lord and His strength; seek His face always." (1 Chronicles 16:11)

#### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

(Children dismissed for Children's Church, please for ages 3 thru 5th grade only).

#### WORDS FROM GOD

Psalm 119:1-8

Scripture Reader, Pat Hudson

### MESSAGE "Thriving: Meat to Build Muscle, Part I" Pastor Steve Peterson

### **RESPONDING TO GOD**

Now that God has spoken to us, it is time for us to speak to Him!

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### OFFERTORY

#### **OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

### **BEING SENT BY GOD**

God sends us out into the world that he desperately loves. His presence goes with us. We leave as God's agents of grace and mercy.

#### SONG

"Cornerstone"

### BENEDICTION

Scripture Readings for the Week		
Sunday	1 Peter 1:18-19	
Monday	Ephesians 2:8-9	
Tuesday	2 Peter 3:18	
Wednesday	Acts 20:24	
Thursday	Acts 20:32	
Friday	Hebrews 13-9	
Saturday	<i>Titus 2:11-13</i>	

TODAY'S GREETERSRebecca & Kate SchaechterHEAD USHERGary WellsUSHERSTom Dang, Mike Hermann, Orlin Johnson & GarySOUND SYSTEMJosh Parrott

#### "Thriving: Meat to Build Muscle, Part I" Psalm 119:1-8

**Key verse:** "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." 2 Tim. 3:16-17

**Key thought:** We interact with God's word so that we might know Him and know His will. This leads to greater intimacy with God, which is the basis of a life that is thriving.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Start with the right Bible
  - a. Choose the translation that fits you [or use several!]
    - Formal equivalence ("word for word") (i.e. King James Version, New Revised Standard Version, New American Standard Bible)
    - ii. Dynamic equivalence ("relevant parallel") (i.e. New International Version, New Living Translation)
    - iii. Paraphrased ("contemporary language") (i.e. The Living Bible, The Message)
    - b. Consider a "study" Bible
      - i. Book introductions & outlines
      - Study notes (explain important words & concepts, interpret "difficult" verses, describe historical and textual contexts of passages, draw parallels from one passage to others)
      - iii. Cross reference system (helps compare different texts with similar themes)
      - iv. Concordance (helps find familiar verses using key words)
      - v. Charts, maps & essays
- 3) Begin with the New Testament
- 4) Commune with God's Spirit—dialog w/ Him (cf. Eph. 6:17; Heb. 4:12)
- 5) Dig deep (e.g. three times thru, underlining, cross-referencing, reading commentaries, etc)
- 6) Journal your thoughts prayerfully
- 7) Commit key texts to memory
- 8) Conclusion

Will you commit to schedule regular times for Bible study?

Do you need to invest in a new Bible? \_

Who can you ask to be your accountability partner?

#### **PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS**

#### Praises: New granddaughter for Pennie Knary – Kayla Elizabeth Knary born Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> – 8 lbs. & 20 ½ " long. S.P.L.A.S.H. Mini-retreat.

Prayer Concerns: Sympathy to Mary Bivens upon the death of her mother Vivian JuneTurnbaugh on January 15<sup>th</sup>. Claudine Patton in the hospital. Duane Herron (stroke).

#### Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

Unspoken needs of our brothers & sisters: Dorothy & Adolph Laurick, June Riley, Anna Swanson, Vivian Smith, Gene & Ellie Wildermuth, Betty Lindberg, Marj Nelson, Jay Stanley, John Hutchison, Travis Ferry, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, Charlie Bess, Claudine Patton, Duane Herron, the Ferry family, families who have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns.

#### **Prayer Notes:**

Sunday Prayer Following Worship

Please feel free to take your burden or praise to one of the Elim Prayer Team members available to pray with you. Team members include: Julie, Linda, Carolyn, Juanita, Dee & Tasha and can be easily found at the back of the sanctuary in the northeast classroom.

Monday Evening Prayer Gathering Preducets Each Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. there is a prayer gathering held at Elim. You are encouraged to come and pray with the team members and share your requests/praises.

**Prayer Chain** 

The prayer network is used when special needs arise during the week. Call Judy at the church 764-6920 Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. otherwise call or text Tasha Munger
@ (309) 281-8784 with your request. If no answer, you may leave your concern on the answer machine and it will be relayed ASAP.

#### ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is set for Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup> following worship. A light luncheon will be served.



# CHRISTIAN CARE NEEDS

The following is a current list of needs we are collecting for Christian Care in Rock Island. Tall kitchen trash bags, Local bus tickets, Toilet paper and paper towels, Laundry soap, Batteries (especially AA), Personal tolietries, Men's underwear (Large & extra large – no socks please). Items may be placed in the box at the east end of the gathering area for delivery. See Jane Peterson with ??????

# CHRISTIAN FRIENDLINESS/YOUTH HOPE

Is looking for after-school tutors at its Moline center. Tuesdays+/or Thursdays from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m., grade school children needing help with reading and math. Contact Barb at 762-6297 for further details or see Jane Peterson.

# MLT Mini-Retreat Sat. Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00am-noon. WEDNESDAY NIGHT

We are in need of helpers for the nursery during the Wednesday night youth group times (2-3 babies at the most). If you can help out please see Victoria Fowler.



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR TRIVIA

There will be Trivia night fundraiser for the Taylor family of Davenport who lost their house and belongings in a fire recently. The benefit will take place at Elim on Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> @ 5:30 p.m. See Sara Padilla with any questions.



BEAUTIFUL CHURCHES DON'T JUST HAPPEN! CLEANING VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!! We have sign-up sheets in the gathering area for cleaning crews…but we need members to sign-up to help keep our church clean and beautiful! Please sign-up for a task-the rewards are great & it's a good thing! Thank you.



Hey everyone! We love that you love the youth and children at Elim! Thanks for all your hard work and support of these ministries! We feel that we have a large responsibility here at Elim to make sure that our children are well cared for. We also feel it is vital that we give our children a safe place that families can feel confident leaving their children under our care. Part of that responsibility is to ensure that all of our child care workers meet today's

standards for training and child safety. This is just as much for the safety of our kids as it is for the safety of our workers. With

all this being said there are two VERY important things we need everyone who works with minors at Elim to do for us. First is a background check. We need to be able to tell anyone and everyone who might inquire that we have done our part to be accountable for the people who spend time with the kids of Elim. The second is a child protection training class. This class will take place from 10-Noon on February 28th. Everyone who works with minors will be required to do both of these steps. If you have any questions please contact Greg Burney,

Rachel Cunningham or Pastor.Thanks again! You are all such a blessing! Please don't hesitate to ask questions as we move forward in this process!

LOOKING AHEAD			
Sun	Jan. 25		nday School/Confirmation
			orship Celebration Service
Mon	Jan. 26		ayer Team Gathering
Tue	Jan. 27	6:45 p.m. Ch	
Wed	Jan. 28	5:30 p.m. Do	
		5:30 p.m. W	omen's Bible Study
		6:00 p.m. SP	
		7:30 p.m. Fu	
Thur	Jan. 29	9:00 a.m. Ke	enagers Coffee Time/Bible Study
Sat	Jan. 31	5:30 p.m. Tr	ivia Fundraiser for the Taylor Family
Sun	Feb. 1	9:15 a.m. Su	nday School/Confirmation
		10:30 a.m. W	orship Celebration Service
		11:45 a.m. An	nual Congregational Meeting & Light Luncheon
Mon	Feb. 2	5:30 p.m. Pr	ayer Team Gathering
Tue	Feb. 3	6:45 p.m. Ch	oir Practice
Wed	Feb. 4	5:30 p.m. Do	llar Dinner
		5:30 p.m. W	omen's Bible Study
		6:00 p.m. SP	ARK & AXIS
		7:30 p.m. Fu	sion
Thur	Feb. 5	9:00 a.m. Ke	
Sat	Feb. 7	8:00a-12 Noon M	LT Mini-Retreat
Sun	Feb. 8		nday School/Confirmation
			orship Celebration Service
Mon	Feb. 9	-	ayer Team Gathering
Tue	Feb. 10	6:45 p.m. Ch	
Wed	Feb. 11	5:30 p.m. Do	
			omen's Bible Study
		6:00 p.m. SP	
		7:30 p.m. Fu	
Thur	Feb. 12	9:00 a.m. Ke	6
Fri	Feb. 13		t-up for Chocolate Fantasies
Sat	Feb. 14	-	arts, Flowers & Chocolate Fantasy
	<u>January 1</u> 27 – Pastor L		<u>January Anniversaries</u> 28 – Kathy & Donald Boggs
			February Anniversaries
	<u>February</u> 1 – Steve		7 – Steve & Sandy Parrott
	4 - Maril		15 – Lisandro & Patty Restrepo
			CIU – means Church In Use
9 – Sheila Yoeckel 10 – Alyssa Coil			(309) 764-6920
13 – Maria Cantu			Church office <u>office@elimqc.org</u>
15 – Diana Wood Church website elimqc.org			
Attendance Last Week – Sunday School = 42 Worship = 129			
CHILD CARE THIS WEEK School – 42 Worship – 129			
Nursery Cheryl Rear & Juanita Arellanos Rachel Peterson & Meagan Rear			

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