

WELCOME

to Brookings Wesleyan Church

MESSAGE

My Story

Brookings Wesleyan Church

exists to glorify God

by helping people

know Jesus Christ as

SAVIOR,

teaching them to

follow Him as

LORD

and equipping them

to serve Him as their

MASTER

My Story
November 15, 2009

Guests to Brookings Wesleyan, we're so glad you're here!
Today you can expect to hear uplifting music; feel free to join in singing or simply listen.
We will take an offering, but as our guest, please don't feel obligated to give.
You'll hear a message that is derived from biblical truth and tackles real-life issues we are facing today.
As you leave, stop at the Welcome Center or Information Wall for resource and activity information;
both are located in the main foyer. Free coffee is located in the upstairs foyer behind the balcony...
welcome!

CONTACT INFO

Clarence Grebner: Pastoral Care & Senior Adults
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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUST IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD: Pastor Steve Norby has accepted the invitation to be our new senior pastor at BWC. Pastor Steve is an amazingly gifted man who is full of enthusiasm, passion, and a fresh new vision. His first official Sunday with us will be January 3, 2010. Exciting times are ahead for the BWC family!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD shoeboxes need to be turned in to the church office by TODAY. For questions contact, Chris Adkins at 627-9905.

LEFSE FOR SALE: Dave Rusten's Midweek Discipleship Group will be selling homemade lefse TODAY following each service. This will be a fundraiser for the Elizabeth House, which is a Christian-based pregnancy counseling center that is located here in Brookings. Elizabeth House will provide a place for one-on-one caring and supportive, confidential pregnancy counseling.

LADIES IN PATRIARCH BIBLE STUDY! Beginning Tuesday, November 17 at 9:00 a.m. we will be meeting in the Activity Center.

Dick and Deb Wilde are coordinating a **THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS** that will be held in the Activity Center on Thanksgiving Day. SDSU has approximately 400 international students and most don't have anywhere to go during Thanksgiving break. This is wonderful opportunity to reach out and serve them. If you'd like to help prepare and serve the meal, please contact the church office (info@brookingswesleyan.org or 692-6671) by Wednesday, November 18.

BROWN BAG: Join us as we help provide for people in need during this holiday season. Please take one of the brown paper bags from the Welcome Center or KidZone area, fill it with non-perishable items and bring it back to the church. We will be displaying them on the stage during the month of November. After Sunday, November 22 if you would like you can take a bag to the food pantry or to someone you know who is in need or if you are in need please help yourself as well. This is a great opportunity to serve like Christ taught us to.

BWC EXTENDED FAMILY BULLETIN BOARD: In conjunction with the November celebration of sponsored children, we would like to share 'our children' from all over the world that we as individual families have sponsored through World Hope, Compassion International, etc. Please share a copy of their picture and maybe even a drawing your child has sent you. We can make copies in the office if you need us to. Look for this in the hallway on the way to the KidZone area. If you are interested in helping with the display please let us know.

PRAYER QUILT WORK PARTIES: Mark your calendars to come help make prayer quilts for Angel Tree children on Friday, November 20 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (potluck at noon). We need help pressing, pinning and sewing. You can bring supplies or just drop in. We will put you to work for as long as you can stay. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Stewart at 693-3800 or at the church (692-6671).

Our **33rd ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FESTIVAL** is only 1 week from today! There are plenty of places left for volunteers who love to greet, set up tables, help with serving, help clean up and the list goes on. This is a great opportunity to serve others and make friends with those along side of you. You can sign up at the Welcome Center or look for the Thanksgiving bulletin board on the way to the KidZone area or call or email us (692-6671 or info@brookingswesleyan.org).

BWC offers many **OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIVING** during this Christmas season. Angel Tree (Prison Ministry Fellowship), Gift Paks: Hope for Children (World Hope International) - **NEED TO BE TURNED IN BY SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 AT NOON.**

Pick out **ANGEL TREE 'Angels'** TODAY in the church foyer. Pick a child off the tree, purchase them a gift, and return it to the church by Wednesday, November 25. Volunteers are needed to help with the Angel Tree party at BWC on Sunday, December 6 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the KidZone Activity Center. Angel Tree kids in the Brookings area will come to receive their gifts, participate in activities, and hear the Christmas story and salvation message. Angel Tree is a ministry of Prison Fellowship Ministries, providing gifts to, and sharing Christ with, children who have a parent in prison. If you are interested in helping with Angel Tree, contact Ashley Munsterman (691-9932 or a [_munsterman@hotmail.com](mailto:munsterman@hotmail.com)).

MARRIAGE BUILT TO LAST: We all want a healthy, loving marriage, but there are so many real issues that can stand in the way. In this 6 session DVD based series, we'll hear 24 couples share real-life stories about their honest questions and struggles as they seek to build a marriage that will last a lifetime. Why don't we ever have enough money? What am I doing that makes him so unhappy? Why doesn't she appreciate me like the people at my office do? Whether you're newly married, remarried, or wanting to improve your relationship, you'll hear Biblical and practical teaching to give you tools to live intentionally and love Biblically. Join us in Room 18 at 9:00 a.m. starting on Sunday, December 6.

Family of Michele Koenig (bride-to-be of Steve Van Dyke) would like to invite ladies to a **BRIDAL SHOWER** in Michele's honor on Saturday, November 21 at 10:00 a.m. in Room B here at the church. The couple is registered at Target and The Gift Gallery.

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The kettle campaign has begun! The Salvation Army is still looking for volunteers to help at Wal-Mart and Hy-Vee on Saturday, November 21 and Sunday, November 22. If you are able to give an hour or two of your time this holiday season for this worthwhile project, please sign up at the Welcome Center. Thank you in advance for your assistance!

THANKSGIVING FESTIVAL: Please join us for the 33rd Annual Thanksgiving Festival, "Giving Out of Gratitude", on Sunday, November 22. This celebration will be filled with uplifting music including the praise band, choir and a visit from the children of Orchard Drive Preschool. Our festival speaker will be Pastor Rick. His words will encourage and inspire you to give out of gratitude. There are plenty of great surprises in store; you don't want to miss this! We will gather for two morning worship services at the special times of 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. (for one Sunday only). The day's events will all take place at BWC. Please begin inviting your friends and family to join you for this special event. Invitations are available at the Welcome Center and in the church office. Nursery and child care will be provided for children ages 3 and under during each of the services. There will be no Sunday school or Adult Discipleship Classes.

As part of BWC's Thanksgiving Festival, a catered **TURKEY DINNER** will be served at 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. in the Activity Center and Loft. People attending the 9:30 service will be served during the 11:00 seating. Those attending the 11:00 service will be served at 12:30 p.m. Come and enjoy a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings. This is always a great time of food and fellowship. Please remember to buy your dinner tickets early, either in the foyer beginning TODAY or at the church office during the week. Advance tickets are required. Cost is \$8.00 for ages 10-adult and \$4.00 for children ages 2-9. There is no charge for children under 2 years of age if they do not take a plate. Tickets must be purchased by noon on Thursday, November 19. You also have the opportunity to purchase extra tickets to donate for those who can't afford them. Simply tell those at the ticket sales table or the church office if you'd like to donate tickets, or if you are unable to purchase tickets. If you know of someone who does not have a church home and want to invite them to come, please pick up a ticket for them and the church will cover the cost. We want everybody to be a part of the meal!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL rehearsals for children in grades K-4 are on Sundays from 10:00-10:30 a.m. and Wednesday nights at 6:15-7:00 p.m. in the KidZone Activity Center. Also Planet 56 kids who have special speaking parts should come to the rehearsals. Contact Connie Hobbie (692-6671 or pastorconnie@brookingswesleyan.org) if you have questions.

The **NOVEMBER PARENT LINK NEWSLETTER** is now available at the Welcome Center or at our website at www.brookingswesleyan.org/children.

STUDENT IMPACT

COLLIDE 2.0 BETA: We are excited to announce that our first half of the Beta test was a success! We will continue with the middle school and high school students meeting at two different times. On Wednesday, November 18 middle school students will be invited to Collide from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. and high school students will be invited to Collide from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. On Wednesday, November 25 we will not have Collide. Please continue to pray for our students and for God's guidance as we continue to grow!

CHRISTMAS ALREADY?! Student Impact youth ministry will be selling greenery for this holiday season. The youth will have pamphlets with prices that you can order from. Information will also be available in the church office. Orders need to be turned in by Sunday, November 22. If you are interested in purchasing greenery for your family this Christmas, please contact the church office at 692-6671 or Colleen Rogness at 605-832-4511. The money from this fundraiser will be used for the upcoming convention or for youth camps. Thank you for your support of youth fundraisers!

A2 COLLEGE MINISTRY

College students! TODAY is 20s **DINER: THANKSGIVING EDITION.** You will enjoy turkey, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole and everything else you'd expect at a Thanksgiving dinner. Hope you can make it!

MEN'S MINISTRY

MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S BASKETBALL: Every Monday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., beginning on December 7, we'll be playing basketball in the BWC Activity Center. Come and join us! If you have questions, contact Pastor Kent at 692-6671 or pastorkent@brookingswesleyan.org.

SUNDAYS

9:00 AM: KidZone (nursery-6th grade), Adult Discipleship Classes as follows:

Moses: A Man of Selfless Dedication (Room A)

Esther: It's Tough Being A Woman (Room B)

Everyone's Normal Till You Get to Know Them (Room C)

Through the New Testament (Room D)

Seven Seasons Men's Class (Room 14)

Through the Bible in a Year (Library/Room 17)

9:00 AM: illuminate (7th-12th grade) in the Loft

10:30 AM: KidZone (nursery-age 4), and Adult Discipleship Classes as follows:

Men's Bible Study (Room A)

Desiring God (Room B)

Women's Class - How To Pray (Room C)

Financial Peace University (Room D)

5:00 PM: Celebration Choir (Worship Center)

8:00 PM: Oasis - College/Young Adults (Activity Center)

WEDNESDAYS

6:30 PM: Collide - Grades 7-12 (Activity Center)

7:00 PM: KidZone - Nursery-Grade 6 (Children's Ministry Area)

7:00 PM: Seekers Prayer Group & Bible Study (Senior Pastor's Office)

7:00 PM: Various Adult Small Groups - Visit the Welcome Center for more information

7:15 PM: Post College/Career Fellowship (Erick & Joni Weber's home)

For more information regarding Midweek Discipleship Groups - Please visit the Welcome Center.