

WELCOME

to Brookings Wesleyan Church

MESSAGE

FOLLOW ME: Like A Child
Mark 10:14-16

“When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.’ And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.” Mark 10:14-16

Questions to discuss:

1. What can children teach us about following Christ?
2. If you are around any children this week, watch and listen closely. See what you can learn from them.

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

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October 25, 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

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are in memory of Alex Schwenk. Alex was the son of Terry and Ellen Schwenk; he would have been 27 years old this year.

DON'T FORGET that Daylight Savings Time ends early next Sunday morning, November 1. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed Saturday night.

Please join us this evening, at 6:30, for our **MONTHLY PRAYER SERVICE**. If you have a need you would like us to remember in prayer, please use one of the prayer cards located in the pew card holders. After filling out the card, either place it in the offering plate, hand it to an usher or drop it by the Welcome Center.

BWC PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: TODAY after services (by the Activity Center entrance), there will be an opportunity for you and your family to come and have your picture taken for the directory. If you can't make it today but have a good quality digital picture we can use, please email it to csiver@brookingswesleyan.org. There is a sample directory on the bulletin board by the nursery.

DON'T JUDGE A BOOK BY IT'S COVER: Please help yourself to any of the free books on the table in the foyer.

GUATEMALA MISSIONS TRIP: This January, we'll be returning to Guatemala for our second missions trip serving with Pastor Luis Martinez' Impacto Ministries. (Pastor Luis was here for our missions festival this past April.) We'll be doing children's ministry (VBS), Happy Feet (giving out shoes) and construction. This is an incredible opportunity to serve people in great need and be an encouragement to the Body of Christ. Trip dates are January 2-9 and the cost is \$1500 per person (not including passport). **SIGN-UP DEADLINE IS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31.** If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Rick (pastorrick@brookingswesleyan.org or 692-6671).

Next Sunday, November 1 at 6:00 p.m. in the KidZone Activity Center (downstairs by the kitchen) there will be a **RUSSIAN SOUP/SALAD SUPPER**. Come enjoy some tasty food, learn more about Russian culture and Global Partners (Kerry Pickard) ministry in Russia.

The Volga Christian School will have their **46th ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL FUNDRAISER** on Saturday, November 7, at the Sioux Valley Middle School gym. Please come for a bake sale and lunch at 11:00 a.m. and auction at 12:30 p.m. There will also be a Kid's Carnival. We appreciate your support! If you have questions or donations, please call Cindy Halbersma at 695-2817.

Sunday, November 8 is the **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH**. Brookings Wesleyan will join over half a million churches in 150 countries to pray for the suffering church. This annual event plays a vital role in encouraging and strengthening the persecuted church and also awakening churches where there is no persecution. There are two ways to become involved. First, you can use this week's bulletin insert to pray for 14 days for the persecuted church. Second, you can sign up at the Welcome Center for 12 hours of continuous prayer (in 15-minute segments) at the church or at home on the 8th.

On Saturday, November 14 from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. BWC will be hosting an **INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**. It will feature hand-crafted jewelry and products created by women and girls rescued from human trafficking. Buying these quality products gives these women a respectable way to support themselves. All proceeds will be returned to the organizations featured. On each half hour, hear stories of hope and stories of reality from representatives working to rescue women and girls from human trafficking in Asia and locally. For more information, call Naomi Sankey at (507) 920-6534.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD shoeboxes and brochures are available for you to pick up at the Welcome Center or in the KidZone area. For more information contact, Chris Adkins at 627-9905 or go to www.samaritanspurse.org. Please return boxes to the church office on or before Sunday, November 15.

Our next 20s **DINER** (a free meal for 18-29 year olds each month) is Sunday, November 15. If you would like to help prepare food on the 14th, serve on the 15th or donate food or money for the meal, please contact the church (info@brookingswesleyan.org or 692-6671).

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.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

KIDS WITH COMPASSION (kids in grades 3-6 are invited) will meet at the church on Thursday, October 29 at 6:00 p.m. for this month's service project. Please wear warm clothing as we'll be cleaning a yard for a single woman. We will return to the church by 7:00 p.m. Contact David and Darcie VanEde (605-542-2565) or Connie Hobbie at the church with questions.

On Saturday, October 31 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. BWC, in cooperation with three other churches in Brookings, will be hosting our **2ND ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT** event for neighborhood children. This outreach ministry needs persons who would be willing to decorate a car trunk (or pickup or van) and have candy available for about 200 children. You may partner with another family, join together as a BFG or Adult Discipleship class or as a group of friends. If you cannot be involved with this event, but could donate individually wrapped candy, please feel free to do that as well. Sign up sheets are available on the Welcome Center. If you have questions or comments, please contact Connie Hobbie at the church office or email pastorconnie@brookingswesleyan.org.

PLANET 56ERS! It is time again for our monthly activity. On Wednesday, November 4 from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. we will be having a **BOWLING AND COSTUME PARTY**. Meet at the church in Room 15 to go to the bowling alley. Please be a little early so we can leave promptly at 6:45. Bring \$3 for bowling as well as a costume; there will be a contest for best costume!

STUDENT IMPACT

COLLIDE 2.0 BETA: We are excited to announce that because of how God is growing our youth ministry, we will be test running middle school and high school students meeting at two different times. On Wednesday, November 11 and 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. Please continue to pray for our students and for God's guidance as we continue to grow!

LOVE MERCY 09 WESLEYAN YOUTH CONVENTION (DENVER, CO): You may be asking "what is this?" - It's three intense days of powerful speakers, artists and community focused on pursuing God's call for their lives and expressing worship for our Savior Jesus Christ. It will begin with an evening rally on Monday, December 28 and end with an evening rally on Wednesday, December 30. Pre-registration cost is \$90 and needs to be paid by Wednesday, October 28. Total cost for the convention is \$275, which includes transportation, lodging and cost of the convention. Checks can be made out to Brookings Wesleyan Church. If you have questions or want to register, please email Pastor Tom at pastortom@brookingswesleyan.org.

PRISON BREAK: On Saturday, November 7, from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. Middle and high school students are invited to BWC for a night of fun and excitement as we host one of the years most exciting, interactive games you'll ever play. The object of the game is to "break out" and fight your way through the obstacle course without being spotted by the light.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Beginning on Tuesday, November 3, the Beth Moore video series, *The Patriarchs: Encountering the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob* will begin. This women's Bible study meets in Room B from 9:00-10:30 a.m.; childcare is provided. Contact Connie Hobbie in the church office if you have questions. All women are welcome to attend.

OF HEARTH AND HOME, a fall luncheon for women, is set for Saturday, November 7 from noon until 2:30 p.m. In addition to the luncheon, Janet Gerjets will be sharing her testimony and Brandie Buller will be singing. The catered luncheon will be \$5 per plate. Please invite your friends who do not attend church anywhere to come to this event that could change their lives for eternity. Mark your calendars now.

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)

Parenting-The Early Years (Room 18)

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

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.