

# WELCOME

to Brookings Wesleyan Church

# MESSAGE

FOLLOW ME: Give It Up  
Mark 10:17-27

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November 1, 2009

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

“Jesus looked at him and loved him. ‘One thing you lack,’ he said. ‘Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.’ At this the man’s face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.” Mark 10:21-22

Questions:

1. Is there anything I’m holding on to that comes between me and God?
2. Am I willing to give it up? What is keeping me from surrendering it?
3. What steps do I need to take today to begin to surrender?

**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!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Jordyn Alexis Bortnem, Kyle Mitchell Marker, Hunter Alanna Onderick, Levi Gregory Silva, Rachel Mae Tobin, Deanna Norma Viland, Aaron Lee Van Vuuren, Riley Joseph Wilkins, Taylor Anne Wilkins and Briana Marie Wirth who are publicly confessing their faith in Christ through believer's baptism today during services.

**TONIGHT** 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.

Next Sunday 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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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. 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 hall way on the way to the KidZone area. If you are interested in helping with the display please let us know.

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

The **FALL LIFELIGHT TOUR** is coming to the Swiftel Center on Friday, November 6 at 8:00 p.m. The tour will feature Disciple, Project 86, Children 18:3, and a live art performance by Eric Samuel Timm. Tickets are just \$6 in advance and \$10 at the door. For more information visit [LifeLight.org/Tours](http://LifeLight.org/Tours). This event will feature an evangelistic message of hope through a relationship with Jesus Christ! You won't want to miss this show! Volunteers (prayer volunteers, load-in, load-out, merchandise, etc.) are still needed on the day of the show. Contact Alicia Gass at 690-2562 or [aliciagass@gmail.com](mailto:aliciagass@gmail.com) if you are able to volunteer.

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.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

**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, November 4. 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](mailto:pastortom@brookingswesleyan.org).

**PRISON BREAK:** After much deliberation it has been decided that Prison Break will be cancelled for this fall. Instead we will be opening up the Activity Center for open gym. Come play basketball, football, soccer or just hang out. We'll be here on Saturday, November 7 from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

**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. We will be placing two orders. If you would like your greenery by Thanksgiving, please order by Wednesday, November 4. Otherwise you have until Friday, November 27. 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!

## 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.

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

**BEST YEARS FELLOWSHIP:** We will meet at 12:00 p.m. TODAY in the Activity Center. See you there!

## 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 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.