



July/Aug 2016

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# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

D<mark>ear Chu</mark>rch Family,

Summer is in full swing and while there are some great things happening in ministry over the coming weeks, our church's eyes are also focused on the future. We will be taking as many opportunities as we can for the remainder of the summer to talk about and plan for a couple of very exciting church planting opportunities the Lord is bringing our way. The first of those will be in Whitefish with Chris and Kim Baker. I first met the Bakers almost two years ago at a denominational meeting. Over lunch the following day, I was as bluntly honest and almost discouraging as I could possibly be. I shared about past attempts to plant churches in Whitefish, about former planters who came and left and about the uphill battles of breaking into this beautiful, scenic, but somewhat closed, resort town. I also warned them that the cost of living in Whitefish is one of the most expensive places to live in the state and told them they would have to raise all of their own financial support. In spite of our first conversation, this wonderful couple has become a beloved part of our church family over the last 18 months and while we'd love to keep them here, they've come to the valley for a grander kingdom purpose. They have settled into the community of Whitefish and are building relationships, learning the culture and praying for God to use them to plant a church that will reflect His love to one of the least "churched" towns in the state of Montana. They will be renting the movie theatre in Whitefish for their services and are spending this summer getting the name of the new congregation out among their town. Plans are in motion to launch "Summit Life" Church as a new congregation of Easthaven Baptist Church officially this September 11. Similarly, the Lord has been working in the lives of a couple of young families from Tennessee. Bruce and Jessica Crockett and their four children, along with Kyle and Marissa Rosas, have visited the Flathead twice now over the last year. They've spent time praying, seeking the Father's heart and have resolved that God is calling them to plant another church here in the valley as well. Both men are recent seminary graduates, have spent the last several months raising their own financial support from partner churches in the south and are getting very close to loading up and heading this way in early August. I could literally spend pages writing why planting new churches is so important. I could talk about how newer churches reach lost people better, how Montana remains sadly and badly unchurched even compared to national averages and how if the Lord chose to bring revival to our valley, there would not even be close to enough churches to service a spiritually awakened community. I could talk about how vital it is for us to reproduce ourselves in the launch of new bodies of Christ in order to be obedient to the Great Commission and on and on. However, I mostly want to focus on how God is working in these individuals' lives and how so many churches are stepping up to partner with us. I am hoping to report more info and answer more questions as the summer goes along, all for the purpose of our being able to celebrate together how God wants to use us to build His kingdom in the years to come. Please join me in praying that we will be eager and willing to become the kingdom building church that our Father longs for us to be.

> Honored to serve with you! Pastor Daniel <><

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# EASTHAVEN CAMPS AT TLC RETREAT

### JULY 5-7 – KIDS' DAY CAMP

(Entering grades 1-3) This week will include a day camp at the lake Tuesday through Thursday with

transportation provided from Easthaven and back. Each day will include Bible study.

recreation, adventure activities and lots of fun with friends. Lunch, snacks and

transportation included. Cost: \$75\*

# JULY 11-15 - KIDS' CAMP

(Entering grades 3-5) This week will include spiritual growth opportunities, recreation and adventure, music and drama, and much, much more. This camp will include three full days and four nights of camping fun with friends for our annual major spiritual growth event for our children's ministry. Cost: \$125\*

# JULY 18-22 – MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP

(Entering grades 6-8)

This week-long camp will provide a great opportunity to encounter Christ through Bible study, worship, and fun activities. It will be a time of group games (in and out of the water) great food, and fun times with friends. Cost: \$125\*

# JULY 25-29 - GIRLS' CAMP

### (Entering grades 3-6)

This week-long camp is for girls who are in this significant age of transition. The entire week will be a time of encouragement and training for young ladies to realize their true identity in Christ and develop a stronger foundation to face peer pressure, esteem issues and parents during these important

years of rite of passage. Cost: \$125\*



\*Discounts available for families with multiple children attending the same camp.

# JULY 8-10 – ADVENTURE/SURVIVAL RETREAT

(for boys entering grades 7-12) This weekend, Friday evening αh Sunday evening, will CANCELI adventurous ca aciting opportuni ne outdoor A voods and on the lake and survival and backpacking chal while training for real life situations. Cost: \$75

# JULY 15-18 – FOSTER FAMILY RETREAT

(for the families of foster children the Flathead Valley) This weekend will preportunity to get away with y \_\_\_\_\_ old family members for se relax, train, play and respiration. Sponsored in coorceive ceived and aspiration. Sponsored dination with ChildBridge Ministries. Cost: NONE

# JULY 22-24 – COUPLES ENRICHMENT

(for married couples) This weekend will provide opportunity for spiritual guidance, relational growth, much-needed relaxation and a chance to meet other couples who are committed to developing healthy marriages. Cost: \$75

### **JULY 29-31 VIDEO GAME RETREAT**



(for Middle School and High School BOYS) This weekend will provide hours of opportunity to game with other kids who love gaming, but will be focused on equipping kids to guard themselves from the inappropriate influences of certain video games. The weekend will be enriched with spiritual guidance, music and outdoor time along the lakefront. Thompson Lakes

Cost: \$75

**Christian Retreat** 

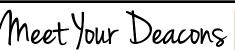


Care Ministries is a ministry which helps many people, jobless, homeless, or simply caught up in hard times not of their own making. We have been able to help people with rent, utilities, or car repairs. We do have a budget from Easthaven. but unfortunately our budget has not been able to keep up with the requests for help. We can only continue to help people until our budgeted money runs out and wait until our next budgeted amount comes in, or we can request help from you. I'm simply making our financial need made known. If you feel that helping others is important, designate funds to Care Ministry as part of your giving.

# **Loving Each Other Fund**

This fund is used only for Members of Easthaven Baptist Church. We have been able to help many of our members in extreme circumstances this past year. Again, we have used much of this fund and are at a four year low amount right now. I'm making this known to you, so if you are interested in contributing to this fund, you can also designate it in your regular giving. Thank you for your support of others in need.

> In Christ, Sharon Shropshire



To help you get better acquainted with our Deacons, you will see their pictures in our newsletter regularly. Their names and phone numbers are listed in the church bulletin, or see the complete list of deacons on our website in the "Us" link. There are three deacons assigned for each week to be at your service. Call one of them if you have need of assistance.



Jim Waggener

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# **Volunteers Needed!**

**Annual Garage** 

Sale @ Easthaven

Friday AND Saturday, August 12-13th

8am to 1pm

Have fun sorting items, pricing, selling, making friends, and serving the Lord.

# **Donations Needed!**

Donations of good quality, gently used items are greatly appreciated.

# <u>Set Up Days:</u>

Tues-Thurs August 11-13

<u>Sale:</u>

Fri-Sat 8 am–1 pm

# <u>Clean Up:</u>

Tues-Thurs, August 9-11 1 pm-3 pm

# What To Donate?

Clothes, furniture, collectibles, electronics, tools, sports & exercise equipment, jewelry, housewares, children's items, linens, crafts, books, appliances, etc.

All donations are tax deductible!

Questions? Contact Karen Shelt @ (520) 360-7152

www.easthaven.org



> Keport:

"Thanks to all our VBS **J**olunteers and helpers and all of you who donated items for the week. We couldn't have done it without so many terrific people!! VBS was a great success. We had 227 kids and over 80 helpers. **14 children accepted Christ!**"

# THE LOGOS CHRISTIAN COUNSELING CENTER AT EASTHAVEN BY: DR. MIKE MARRS, PASTORAL COUNSELOR

Summer is in full swing in the Flathead Valley and it's an excellent time to enjoy the outdoors with family, friends, and out-of-state quests. But summer is also an excellent time to plan a special get away with the one vou love, and what better occasion than a weekend marriage retreat at Thompson Lakes Christian Retreat. Last year, two weekend retreats, held at Howling Wolf Ranch were an incredible success. I am once again excited about teaching material from Family Life's, "A Weekend to Remember" and supplementing it with my own curriculum and tools to help married couples draw closer to the Lord, while becoming better communicators, lovers, and friends. This year's marriage retreat promises to be a fun-filled event with a variety of activities guaranteed to help couples relax, renew, and redefine their relationships with one another. For those who plan to attend. I encourage you to register soon in order to book your room or reserve a place for your R.V. All couples with boats, jet skis, and other water toys are encouraged to bring them along. Last but not least, a retreat could not be a success without excellent food, so plan to bring your appetite and be prepared to be pampered. Note: this will not be a good weekend to be dieting. I'm just saying, the chef's menu alone is worth the trip and the cost of the retreat, which by the way is a mere \$75. So, where else are you going to take your sweetie for a special adventure like the one we have planned beginning Friday evening, July 22nd, and ending Sunday, the 24th, around noon? For more information or details, please contact the church office at (406) 752-7021. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

> To God Be The Glory, Mike



JOIN FRANKLIN GRAHAM ON AUGUST 9, 2016 12:00 P.M. CAPITOL BUILDING IN HELENA, MT

#### WHAT IS THE DECISION AMERICA TOUR?

Because of the spiritual climate of our country, **Franklin Graham** is going to all 50 states to challenge Christians across our land to boldly live out their faith and to pray fervently and faithfully for our nation. At each stop, he will also proclaim the Gospel, which has the power to transform lives. As the body of Christ, we have the opportunity to stand together in our allegiance, not to a political party but to Almighty God.

Together, let's pray:

- in repentance of our sins
- for revival in our own hearts communities and in our churches
- for our nation and its leaders

"I will proclaim Christ as 'the way, the truth, and the life' (John 14:6, NKJV). My hope isn't in the Republican or Democratic party. It is in Christ alone, and I believe God's people can make a difference by praying, voting, and engaging in their communities." —Franklin Graham

### TRANSPORTATION IS AVAILABLE:

Bring your family and don't worry about driving by reserving your spots on the charter bus leaving from the Red Lion Hotel in Kalispell roundtrip.

To reserve your spot, call Mark Haag at (406) 892-7677. Seats are \$25 each.



LIVING PROOF with BETH MOORE

# 9.17.2016

Join us!



Saturday September 17, 2016

Everyone is invited! Bring your friends and join us for a great day with the Lord and Beth Moore.

Doors open at 7:30AM Session starts at 8:15AM Session ends by 3:30PM Brunch and snacks will be served

# **Tickets:**



Early Bird Price: \$15 (until August 28) Regular price: \$20



Address Service Requested

#### WORSHIP SERVICES: SATURDAYS @ 6PM | SUNDAYS @ 9AM OR 11AM



# ATTENDANCE | GIVING RECORDS

### JUNE AVERAGES

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 775 | Sunday Bible Study: 70 | Nightlife: 100 | TOTAL GROWAVERAGE: 145

#### FINANCIALS (as of July 1, 2016):

Giving to Date: \$598,797| Budget to Date: \$596,106 | Giving vs. Budget: \$2,691 | YTD Expenses: \$571,850