

## The Newsletter February 2022



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## February at a Glance

2: 9:00 am: Mothers Together

15: 6:00 pm: Elder/Deacon Meetings

• 7:00 pm: Full Consistory

16: 9:00 am: Mothers Together

21: 9:30 am: Faith Bible Study3:00 pm: Patience Bible Study

27: Communion Prep Sunday

#### \*Sundays:

- 9:00 am Sunday School 4yrs Adult
- Coffee Fellowship Time
- 10:00 am Praise & Worship Service

#### \*Tuesdays:

• 8:30 am Quilting Chicks will meet

## \*Wednesday Evening Bible Classes and Youth Groups:

- 6:30 pm Bible Classes 1st-5th grades
- 6:30 pm MS Remnant Youth Group
- 7:30 pm HS Remnant Youth Group

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### **Stewardship & Giving**

#### Offering Summary through January 29:

• **General Fund:** \$21,515.09 Budget: \$315,827.88; 6% of budget

• **Benevolent Fund:** 1,927.55 Budget: \$70,626.12; 2% of budget

Building Fund offerings to date: \$50.00

## **Special offering for February:**



# Faith In Action for February

## **Random Acts of Kindness**

Leave a thank you note Offer your seat Cycle courteously BETOLERANT Let another go first Bake cookies for firefighters Give a compliment Help a student make friends Assist an adult Give a balloon away Lend a classmate a pencil Celebrate something every day Encourage a friend Respect others Walk a dog Do a favor Forgive mistakes Smile at someone new Give a flower Eat lunch with someone new Listen with your heart Visit a sick friend Clean a neighbor's walk Offer a hug

### Couple of the Bible

1. My wife and I took a new convert called Apollos into our home and helped him to grow in his faith. What is my wife's name?

A. Priscilla B. Dorcas C. Lydia D. Eunice

2. I couldn't believe that a prophet would marry someone like me, who was known to be an unfaithful woman, but God told him that we should be together. Who is my husband?

A. Haggai B. Isaiah C. Hosea D. Amos

3. After I killed an Egyptian I had to leave town in a hurry. While staying in the desert I married a priest's daughter. What's her name?

A. Hannah B. Miriam C. Zipporah D. Jochebed

4. My husband took our family to Moab to escape famine and I was devastated when I lost both him and my two sons there. What was my husband's name?

A. Elimelech B. Kilion C. Mahlon D. Boaz

B. 5. How I wish my husband didn't have two wives! His other wife has children and is always mocking me as I have none. Who is my husband, who tries to comfort me by saying that he is worth more than ten sons to me?

A. Elkanah B. Eleazar C. Eli D. Ezekiel

6. After six months of preparation, my husband picked me over all the other applicants to be his new queen. What is the name of my royal husband?

A. Cyrus B. Darius C. Xerxes D. Solomon

## Bible Study Opportunities

Such things were written in the Scriptures long ago to teach us.

And the Scriptures give us hope and encouragement as we wait
patiently for God's promises to be fulfilled.

Romans 15:4



NEW TESTAMENT

<u>Faith Bible Study</u>, will on **Monday**, February 21 at 9:30 am. We will be studying Lesson #8, "Lydia," in our book *Women of the New Testament*. Phyllis Vander Linden will be leader and Julie Janssen will serve as hostess. All are invited. Hope to see you there!



<u>Patience Bible Study</u>, will meet on **Monday, February 21 at 3:00 pm.** We will be studying lesson #3 "Cultivating Endurance," in our book *Integrity*. Barb will lead and Gert will serve as hostess. You are invited to join us as we learn more about living with integrity as Christians.



With God in the Middle

Are you a mom of young children? Do you wish there was somewhere you could meet other moms

who are facing the same daily challenges that you are?

Then Mothers Together is the place for you.

Mothers Together is a non-denominational group that meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month during the school year from 9am-11am. Quality child care is available so you can get that much needed "mom time".

Mothers Together will be meeting on: February 2 & 16



#### A Note From Our Chicks:

Thank you to everyone who donated items for

the quilters. In the last eight months we have made 32 sleeping bags which we could not have done without the donations and the volunteers who come every Tuesday morning. The Center of Hope in Sioux Falls appreciate each one that we bring to them.

Please feel free to join us any Tuesday morning, we would love to see you.



6: E: Mitch and Abby Kreykes/family

C: Ryan Wiersma

W: Ken and Sandy Heronimus

13: E: Ken and Wilma Loerts

C: Merlyn and Julie Janssen

W: Brian and Chelsey Alexander/family

20: E: John and Sharon Bartels

C: Troy and Meggan Block/family W: Travis and Jill Boeke/family

27: E: Jerrad and Tracie Brouwer/family

C: Levi and Kira Christensen/family W: Larry and Melissa De Boer/family

### Nursery

The Nursery will be open for use, but unstaffed.

# Children & Worship 10:00 am during the service

#### Leaders:

6: Jamie Hulstein

13: Deb Kosters

20: Karen Honken

27: Deb Kosters

## Willing Hands Group



### Willing Hands Group #2

will be responsible for services during the month.

#### **Co-chairpersons are:**

- Luella Eggink
- Darcy Martinez

## **Fellowship Coffee Servers**



6: Duane and Pam Vande Hoef

13: Curt and Peg Van Kley

20: Clayton and Jodi Wagenaar

27: Lawrence and Ruth Wiersma

## **Library Volunteers**



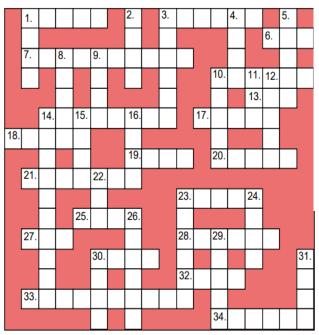
6: Jane Buysman

13: Marilynn DeBoer

20: Gert Gaalswyk

27: Jan Henrichs

## Valentine's Crossword



#### Across:

- Opposite of boys
- 3. Valentine colour
- 6. \_\_\_\_ goes there? 7. St. Day
- 10. The targets of Cupid's arrows
- 13. This little piggy is one
- 14. Valentine month
- 17. Tolls paid
- 18. \_\_\_\_ change, pocket money
- 19. Sign above door
- 20. Donald's girlfriend
- 21. Crayon maker
- 23. He shoots love arrows
- 25. Short form for animal doctors
- 27. Valentine's colour
- 28. Cupid shoots these
- 30. Valentine colour
- 32. Choose
- 33. Sweet valentine gifts
- 34. \_\_\_\_\_ admirer

#### Down:

- 1. Bestow
- the bottle
- 3. Attractive
- 4. Frilly trim
- 5. Valentine colour
- 8. Mickey \_\_\_\_ Minnie
- 9. Close to
- 10. Listened
- 11. Past tense of eat
- 12. Red flowers
- 14. February \_\_\_ is

#### Valentine's

- 15. \_\_ valentine.
- 16. Length x width
- 22. Single, \_\_, 2, 3, ...
- 23. Winners
- 24. Opposite of up
- 26. First day of the week
- 29. Speed contests
- 30. Scheme
- 31. Pepper\_\_\_\_ candy

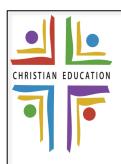


## **Consistory Meeting Highlights**

January 11, 2022



- MMSA the request by Clint and Jamie Klaassen have their daughter, Katie Jo Klaassen baptized.
- MMSA to have Jerrad Brouwer serve as the Assistant Clerk for Consistory
- Communion will be held on January 23 with Ken Loerts and Ken Heronimus in charge
- MMSA to go ahead with option A for the new copier Contract
- MMSA to pay Benevolent Expenses for the month of January
- MMSA to move \$80,000 from General Fund Checking into the General Fund Savings Account
- MMSA to offer Josh Lucas the position of Director of Youth Ministries here at FRC
- MMSA to allow Dan Heilman to speak on behalf of Freedom's Gate Ministry of Sioux Falls on February 20
- MMSA to move Consistory to the 3rd Tuesday of the month for 2022. The next meeting will be held on February 15.



## **Education Schedule:**

Please remember the following Weather Cancellations Procedure: If there is NO school, or school is released early due to inclement weather, there will be NO WEDNESDAY Night activities.

#### Wednesday Evening Bible Classes & Youth Groups:

Classes will run as scheduled (Feb. 2,9,16,23)

#### **Sunday School:**

Classes will run as scheduled (Feb. 6,13,20,27)

Teachers are needed for 3rd and 4th grade Sunday school and Wednesday night Bible Class. Contact Deb Kosters if you are available to help with this ministry.

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#### Leah Ackerman

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#### Jagger Johnson

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# February Celebrations

## ~~Birthday's~~

- Dale Honken
   Aiden De Zeeuw
- 2 Mark Dykstra Hunter Rockman Jim Ver Steeg
- 3 Jenny Weg
- 4 Dick Oldenkamp
- 5 Karen Jurgens
- 7 Ashilyn Hulstein
- 10 Keegan Van Der Sloot Terry Ackerman Haiden Wielenga
- 11 Ellie Klaassen

- 12 Loren Hulstein
- 13 Michael Hulstein Nancy Soat Emma Boeke
- 14 Elesson (Papito) Joseph
- 16 Dianne KassHarold Van Der SlootJan Henrichs
- 17 Jacob Runia Kendra De Boer
- 19 Danika de Boom

- 20 Eric Schiphoff Joanna Lucas Elyssa Houtsma
- 21 Amy Van Marel Jeannette Juffer Riley Alexander
- 23 Daphne Bremer
- 24 Ron Dykstra Mariah Elser
- 26 Joe de Boom Justin Van Tilburg
- 27 Dave McDyer Zoey Alsip
- 28 (29) Connor Christensen





## ~~Anniversaries~~

- 6 Harold and Lynn Schram -57 years
- 14 Burt and Jan Henrichs 47 years
- 15 Gary and Jessa Wolter 59 years



## PRAY FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

- 1. Colby Wagenaar
- 2. Josh and Brittany Wagenaar
- 3. Justin Wagenaar
- 4. Brent and Brenda Wassman; Alyssa, Austin
- 5. Pray for our College Students
- 6. Pray for our Church
- 7. AJ and Jenny Weg; Addison, Alivia
- 8. Michael Wielenga; Haiden, Berkley
- 9. Lawrence and Ruth Ann Wiersma
- 10. Ryan Wiersma
- 11. Kody and Rachel Wills; Kenzie, Jada, Brody
- 12. Pray for our College Students
- 13. Pray for our Church
- 14. Geneva Wissink
- 15. Gary and Jessa Wolter

- 16. Renae Wolter
- 17. Chris and Tiffany Wynia; Elizabeth, Codie, Mackenzie
- 18. Charlie and Brenda Ackerman; Leah, Marissa
- 19. Pray for our College Students\
- 20. Pray for our Church
- 21. Derek and Megan Ackerman; Quinnley
- 22. Kayla Ackerman
- 23. Lars Ackerman
- 24. Mitch and Angie Ackerman
- 25. Terry and Chrissy Ackerman; Jaeger, Zoe
- 26. Pray for our College Students
- 27. Pray for our Church

<b>College Students:</b>
Carter Brouwer
Jayden De Boer
Wyatt Dykstra
Andrea Leusink
Austin Wassman
Tyler Feldkamp

Dalten Bremer Clint Henrichs Ashilyn Hulstein Natalie Klaassen

Leah Ackerman Grant Brouwer Tanner Dykstra Jagger Johnson Alex Mc Dougall

Alyssa Wassman

Jaden Abels Hunter Rockman Ryan Van Marel Mariah Elser

**Peyton Crichton** 

Hannah Lucas



## PRAY FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

#### **Assisted Living**

Ethel Jurgens Geneva Wissink Larry & Alfreda Verdoorn Richard Kruger

#### **Christian Retirement Home**

Helen Vander Veen

#### **The Nursing Homes**

Harold Schram Margaret Calsbeek Marlys Brink Donna Sterler

#### **Our Missionaries**

Dr. Bernadeth Kelly & Adrian Bobb Sayuri Kist—Okazaki Brian & Donna Renes J.J. & Tim TenCley Rowland & Jan Van Es

PRAYER JOURNAL

## LOVING GOD

#### THE FIRST AND GREATEST COMMANDMENT



Valentine's day is one of the busiest days of the year for florists and card shops. Last year the average American woman spent \$101 on the day—and men spent twice as much as women. Candy and cards account for about 90% of the money spent. And if years of experience in retail taught me anything, women will buy their valentine cards and candy long before men will. Men definitely shop at the last minute—but they do shop!

However you spend the day, we all are aware that it is important to tell those we love how we feel. A quick Google search on the importance of

telling people they are loved presented 7,800,000,000 articles related to the topic, and all the lead articles say it is *really important*. You know how much you love to be told you are loved, so it should make sense that everyone else likes to hear it too—especially your family.

But what does that mean for us and our love for God? It is easy for us to say that we *love God* but do we know what that means, and do we know what his love for us means? Through the years we have heard many, many sermons about God's love for us, but can you remember one that talks about how we are to love God? It makes me think we may have become a bit self-centered and selfish in our worship and in our daily living.

So how do we love God? The Bible outlines it for us, so let's look at a couple of passages that show us the way. These are familiar passages; we simply need to look at them with new eyes.

When Jesus was asked to identify the greatest commandment, he said it was to **LOVE GOD**. Interesting! God wants us to love him, he has commanded us to love him. This isn't the last on a list, it is the first and the most important commandment.

MATT. 22:36-38

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" And He said to him, "'YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND.' This is the great and foremost commandment.

First, remember that the person who answered the question posed by the scribe is the one who loved God perfectly with all of his being. Jesus always did what the Father wanted, and he did it out of love for the Father. (John 8:29) His own death on the cross was first and foremost a response to his love for the Father, not his love for us. He does love us, but his relationship with us begins with his love for his Father, and flows to us from the love of the Spirit for the Father and the Son. We need to love the *Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit*.

## Heart, Soul and Mind

Jesus then went on to tell us how we are to love God—with our **heart, soul** and **mind**. Interesting way to talk about being a human being. In our day we would not usually define our nature in this way. We might talk about our feelings, psychology, or choice. To understand this verse we need to look at what God meant when he used these words in the Bible.

**HEART:** In the Bible, the heart is the center of spiritual activity and all the operations of the human life. It is the center of our being, and the center of our love for God. "keep (our) heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life" (Prov. 4:23) Heart does not mean feelings or emotions, it is the center of our being our 'self'.

**SOUL:** This word is used with greater diversity than the word heart. It most closely can be identified with our being, our life, or our emotions. This is where we as modern Christians would find room to talk about our feelings—but it might also be that which lives on after we die, our truest nature.

**MIND:** This is the center of our thoughts but our thoughts as they refer to reflection and perception. God takes our minds so seriously that he says in Romans 12:2 that we will become more Godly if we 'renew our minds'. Our culture tries to substitute feelings for thinking. This is not the way God wants us to love him.

In short, we are to love God with ever fiber of our being. There is no private part that can go it's own way—no time of the day, no thought, no activity that is not to be done without loving God. Is this difficult? Yes! I was reminded of something that R. C. Sproul said:

I say, "Have you ever kept the Great Commandment?" And if you're honest about it, you realize that you haven't kept the Great Commandment for five minutes in your life. That you've been breaking the Great Commandment steadily in the last five minutes. There's nobody in this room, there's nobody listening to my voice who has ever loved God with all of their mind.

Maybe we love God with part of our soul, with part of our strength. But we say: "Well, so what's the big deal? Nobody loves God with all of their mind, heart, soul, and strength. Nobody loves everybody in the world as much as they love themselves. I mean, surely God isn't going to take that too seriously. Certainly God must grade us on a curve, and relatively speaking, I'm doing al. right. It's no big deal." Wait a minute. If God calls this the Great Commandment, and if the Bible says that on this hangs all of the Law and the Prophets, then to violate it must be a grievous matter before God.

## **Sportsmen's Devotional**

#### **Bible Study Verses**

John 15:5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in Me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing." (NIV)



#### **Thoughts**

We had somewhere around 40-45 hours of drive time under our belt. We started in northern Michigan, but the point to the trip was to get to Glacier National Park. Then travel North up into Alberta, Canada and through the Canadian Rockies.

For the most part, the trip was now over in my mind. I found myself staring at the intersection of the Icefield Parkway, Highway 93, and the Yellowhead Highway, Highway 16. I simply stopped and stared. Everything in our trip up until that point had been either "headed out West" or "through the Rockies". . .at this intersection, the rest of our trip would be headed home. The sign at the cross-roads gave the distances for both directions. To the West was British Columbia and the Gulf of Alaska. To the east was Edmonton.

To take the family hiking through Glacier National Park and the Rockies had been a lifelong dream. But, this intersection also represented the potential for another lifelong dream. Ever since I was a kid, I've always wanted to go to Alaska. Never in my life had I been that close to Alaska. I wanted to turn left and just keep on going. Never mind that I was out of time and money for the trip. The allure to turning left was almost too much to bear.

#### **Action Point**

Life is full of crossroad moments. Oftentimes, the crossroad we find ourselves at are simply a choice of God's will for us or what we simply want. What we want may certainly bring us temporary satisfaction, but . . . what will it do for me in the long run?

Will it compromise my relationship with my wife? Will it cost me money that I don't have? Will it cost me friends? Will it cost me my integrity?

Satan has a way of making evil seem attractive. In some way, shape, or form he's created a distorted allure.

If you find yourself at a crossroads today with a decision staring you in the face... choose God. Through all the smoke and mirrors that our world throws at us, in our heart-of-hearts, we know what God desires of us. Choose Him and choose long-term blessing. Choose otherwise and don't be surprised by the fallout of your decision.

God wants the best for you; don't be deceived otherwise!

#### **Sportsmen's Tip of the Day**

When traveling long distances with a camper, make sure that you've greased your bearings, checked the brakes, and have the spare tire(s) ready to go.

Trivia Time Answers!!!

1. A 2. C 3. C 4. A 5. A 6. C



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, My name is Donald Jackson, and I wanted to take a minute to express my thanks for your support for the Living Stone Prison Ministry and Freedom's Gate Church.

I was blessed to be able to have the ministry of Pastor Jason to help me through the almost four years that I was incarcerated at Mike Durfee State Pen and it was only possible because of the generosity of individuals like yourselves that Livingstone exists. As a believer in Christ it was truly a blessing to have a man full time at the prison, to be able to talk to when I was facing the tough times in my life. You have no idea how much of a blessing regular church services are until you face a time without them. That is what I learned during my six months in county jail. When I arrived at MDSP and was introduced to Livingstone, I was excited to get to church again. I have seen the effects of not having church to attend on the lives of the men at MDSP as we went through the pandemic. It really showed how important the ministry is to the success of each man being able to change his life and become a success. Now that I am out of prison I am extremely grateful for the ministry of Freedom's Gate Church. When I first got out there were a couple of months that I was not able to attend any other church because of the rules placed on me because of the nature of my crime. I was so happy to have a place to worship. As I have stated before, having a place to worship and having a church to help you through this transition and rehabilitation process is vital to the success of each and everyone of us. I am not the only person to come out of prison and need a place to worship. There are many guys facing the same restrictions that I was and it is only because of the generosity of individuals like yourselves that we have the tools available to us to be successful. May God richly bless you.

> ~~Your Brother in Christ, Donald Jackson



Carma Smidt

## Restored through My Eyes

#### by Carma Smidt

Sibley CRC, Sibley, IA

hakespeare wrote, "The eyes are the window to the soul." In the last couple years, my eyes have become more than just the window to my soul; they have become my lifeline and means of communication with my family and friends.

Living with spinal muscular atrophy for 40 years, I have learned to adjust my life when abilities would slowly diminish and eventually disappear. I have always been thankful to God for giving me a positive personality in spite of my progressive disability. But, a couple years ago when my disability affected my ability to speak, I was not so willing to relinquish my voice and adapt my life.

I needed my voice! I had no use of my arms or legs, and I couldn't move my head. I needed my voice to instruct others on my care, to operate my voice-activated computer so I could continue my online teaching position, to interact with my family and friends. With my voice diminished to a whisper, I inwardly pleaded with God to restore my voice. His answer of restoration was far different from what I expected.

While God didn't restore my ability to speak, he did provide me with resources to obtain a speech

and type documents with my eyes. The computer will also verbalize whatever I type with my eyes. It allows me to express my needs and thoughts without much effort.

While a wonderful device, it is slow and has limitations. When communicating with those who know me well, I have found my most efficient and effective way of talking is with my eyes. I have been told that my eyes speak volumes even when no sound is uttered. I've learned that God has given me big, expressive eyes not only for seeing, but also for speaking. God has taught me to adapt to this life where he restored my voice through my eyes!

## From the library--

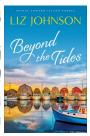


Some of you have been enjoying the "True Colors" books. Two more have been added to the library shelves and are from red on the color pallet: **THE SCARLET PEN by Jennifer Uhlarik.** "Secret Service agent Clay Timmons arrives in Mount Pleasant. Ohio, in 1876 to track purchases made with fake currency. Every trail leads back to Stephen Dee Richards—and therefore, Emma Draycott. Emma has a soft spot for underdogs like Stephen and soon agrees to marry him. But within a week, he leaves to 'make his fame and fortune.' The heartbroken Emma gives him a special fountain pen to write to her, and Stephen does with tales of grand

adventures. Clay is soon in hot pursuit of Richards, crisscrossing Nebraska and Iowa. Can Clay convince Miss Draycott she is engaged to a charlatan who is now being linked to several deaths out west before Stephens returns to seal their vows?"



**THE RED RIBBON by Pepper Basham** is the other "True Colors" book. "In Carroll County, a corn shucking is the social event of the season, until a mischievous kiss leads to one of the biggest tragedies in Virginia history. Ava Burcham isn't your typical Blue Ridge Mountains girl. She has a bad habit of courtin' trouble, and her curiosity has opened a rift in the middle of a feud between politicians and would-be outlaws, the Allen family. Ava's tenacious desire to find a story worth reporting may land her and her best friend, Jeremiah Susphin, into more trouble than either of them planned. The end result? The Hillsville Courthouse Massacre of 1912."



**BEYOND THE TIDES by Liz Johnson** is the last book highlighted this month. It is about a business and takes place in an area that is quite foreign to us in NW lowa: "When Meg Whitaker's father decides to sell the family's lobster fishing business to her high school nemesis, she sets out to prove she should take it over instead. Though she's never had any interest in running the small fleet—or even getting on a boat due to her persistent seasickness—she can't stand to see Oliver Ross in charge. Not when he ruined her dreams of a science scholarship and an lvy League education ten years ago. Oliver isn't proud of what he did back then.

Angry and broken by his father walking out on his family, he lashed out at Meg—an innocent bystander. But owning a respected fishing fleet on Prince Edward Island is the opportunity of a lifetime, as well a way to provide for his mother, and he's not about to walk away just because Meg wants him to. Meg's father has the perfect solution: Oliver and Meg will work the business together, and at the end of the season, he'll decide who gets it. Along the way, they may discover that their stories are more similar than they thought and their dreams aren't what they expected."

KAREN KINGSBURY A DISTANT SHORE

Always a popular author, **Karen Kingsbury**, has a new book: **A DISTANT SHORE**. "She was a child caught in a riptide in the Caribbean Sea. He was a teenager from the East Coast on vacation with his family. He dove in to save her, and that single terrifying moment changed both their lives forever. Ten years later, Jack Ryder is a daring undercover agent with the FBI and Eliza Lawrence still lives on that pristine island. Only now she's the untainted princess in a kingdom of darkness and evil, on the brink of a forced marriage with a dangerous neighboring drug lord, a marriage arranged by her father. This time when Jack and Eliza

meet, both their lives are on the line, and once again, the stakes are deadly high. Can they join forces in a complicated and dangerous mission, pretending to have a breath taking love....without really falling for one another? Sometimes miracles happen not once, but twice on a distant shore."



As the bulletin stated: **The Love Inspired bookcase has been revived**. If you enjoyed the convenience of a small book, peruse the little bookcase on the north wall. There are a few "Romance" stories but most are "Suspense." And an added plus is that many of the books have "larger print." If the book has larger print, it is noted on the spine label with a 'LP'. Check-out system is the same as other books: Take the card clipped in the book, sign your name and put the date due in two weeks (there is a calendar there for your convenience), then put the filled out card in the yellow box and you are on your way to adventure in the comfort of your easy chair and favorite blanket!!



Quite a few books are being checked out of the library and we are so glad the library is being used. But some books seem to have grown legs and walked off by themselves because we have no idea who has them. Please remember to take the card from the book, sign your name and leave it in the yellow card box. This helps us to know where to start in trying to locate a book if another person is asking for it.



Dear brothers and sisters, I write you today in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I hope you all had a happy end of 2021, and a rich welcome to 2022.

I just want to say thank you very much for the gift you've sent for every quarter, it means a lot for me, my family and my ministry. It's been years since you at FRC started helping me; I pray for you all and thank the Lord Jesus for your compassion etc. I also will continue praying for your church in this time of waiting for a new pastor.

Here are some pictures from the baptisms we had at the church. What a blessing and honor to be a part of this and to say thank you for your part in helping continue on with the ministry of my church.

Colas Montrema, lead pastor.

Happy New Year. God bless you all. Shalom!











Approximately 230 students and adults, from 4 school districts and various communities, were in attendance on January 5 to hear Trenton Bass and his friends share his Story of Hope. Trenton shared with those in attendance about how to trust God even in bad circumstances and to never give up hope. During the evening, Madison Brouwer served as moderator and presented questions from students to Trenton and his two

friends. Trenton and his family have started an organization called Game Plan 4 Hope that helps other people who are in unfortunate situations get the help they need. More information is available on their website, www.gameplan4hope.org. Thank you to all who made it to the event that night or who donated to their organization.



