



The Newsletter

August 2025

**Glorify God in all we do,
Grow with Him daily &
Go with Him to share
His love.**

Hope

IS THE ABILITY TO HEAR
THE MELODY OF THE FUTURE.

Faith

IS THE COURAGE
TO DANCE TO IT TODAY.

August at a Glance

- 10: 9:00am Missionaries- Sayuri and Abraham Kist-Okazaki will be with us during the worship service.
- 11: 6:00 pm Elder & Deacon Meetings
7:00 pm Full Consistory will meet
- 11-15: FRC is in charge of Meals on Wheels
- 17: Communion Sunday
- 18: 9:30 am Faith Bible Study
3:00 pm Patience Bible Study
- 18-22: FRC is in charge of Meals on Wheels
- 25: First Day of School at S-O

*Sundays:

- 9:00 am Praise & Worship Service
- 10:10 am Coffee Fellowship Time
- 10:10 am Sermon Discussion Group
- Sunday School is on Summer Break

*Tuesdays:

- 8:30 am Quilting Chicks will meet

*Wednesday Evening:

- Bible Classes and Youth Groups:
On Summer Break! See you in the fall!

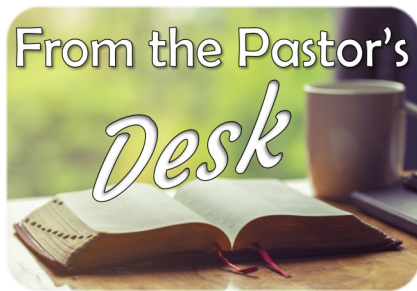
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A Target to Aim At Pt. 4

The Bible refers to Christians as “children of light” (1 Thess 5:5). As we continue to paint a composite portrait of the children of light we need to look at the will/spirit/heart. Our heart (or will, or spirit) is the part of us that originates things. It seeks to bring things into being in the world. From the heart flow “the issues of life.” (Prov. 4:23) What is the heart of the child of light like?

The children of light are sincerely devoted to doing what is good and right. They are habitually oriented towards it, just as their minds are constantly homing in on God and their feelings are habitually oriented towards love. They are attentive to rightness, to kindness, to helpfulness. They are purposeful in seeking knowledge about life- that is, what people need, and how to do what is right in appropriate ways. They don’t run over others in an attempt to “help” them. They don’t fawn over others to excess. They offer the best help they know how to offer, but if the offer is not accepted, they are not offended. They respect the rights and responsibilities of others. They also recognize that often love cannot be considered one-dimensionally, as though the only germane issue is with one person. Sometimes what one person wants is not good for others, and that needs to be taken into account when making decisions or offering help. The children of light try to be wise and balanced when faced with that sort of situation.

These are people who don’t think first about themselves and what they want, and they really care very little, if at all, about getting their own way. “Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.” (Phil 2:3-4) These are good and easy words to the child of light. This is because they have abandoned themselves to God’s will and are entrusting the outcomes of their life to God. They don’t have to struggle or deliberate about whether they will do what they know to be wrong. They do not hesitate to do what they know to be right, because it’s the obvious thing to do. Because of their confidence in God they do not try to manipulate and manage other people.

Relationships in the world are marked by two things: Attack and withdrawal. And we can mix those two things up in perversely creative ways. We can attack by withdrawing (the cold shoulder, pulling away from another for the purpose of wounding them out of a sense of revenge.) and we can withdraw in order to get more space for a covert or unexpected attack. The children of light don’t do this. They don’t ever go on the attack or intend to use or hurt others. They don’t withdraw from a relationship when there is trouble. Rather, they stand still in love. Moreover, the children of light are completely noncondemning, while at the same time they will not participate in evil. They pay only the attention to evil that is absolutely required by a circumstance in any social setting, beyond that, they make patient and joyful nonparticipation the rule. Like Jesus, they know how to really be present without sharing in evil. Other people may disapprove of their presence, just as they did with Jesus, but the children of light aren’t

concerned. Of course, there are some occasions where we should just step away, but in doing so the children of light are not trying to distance themselves from the people who may be involved in the situation or end the relationship. They are only seeking to prudently step back from a situation that could result in harm. They really understand how to “love the sinner and hate the sin” in a graceful, effective way.

This past week while I was in California I attended a lecture by Dr Steve Porter, a professor of spiritual formation at Westmont College. He had a wonderful quote from Bernard of Clairvaux, who was one of Calvin’s favorite medieval writers. Bernard said that we should be more like a reservoir than a ditch. A ditch empties as fast as it fills. A reservoir holds what is put into it until it is full, then the overflow flows out without any loss to itself. Once the reservoir is full, it costs it nothing to pour out the excess. We should think of the Christian life like that. It is perhaps most important to understand that all these things we’ve been talking about for the last four months aren’t something that the child of light strains to produce, constantly gritting their teeth and carrying on as a ditch. Rather, these things naturally and effortlessly flow out of them because they have taken on the character and mind of Christ. They are full and overflow, sending forth streams of living water with no loss to themselves. Our job, as reservoirs of the Spirit is to continually seek fullness of the Spirit. When we do, we will find that living waters flow from our being to a thirsty world. (John 7:38)

The Bountiful Blessings Table Is Back!!



A great way to share your abundance of garden produce, flowers, baked goods, home canned items, crafts... (all items are appreciated)



All items donated to the table are available to take home for a free-will monetary donation.

All money collected by the end of the season will once again be donated to the Upper Des Moines Food Pantry.



Love reading a particular Christian Author or Book? Want to see it on our library shelves? We want to know your opinion!! Please fill out this form and drop it off at the church office or put it in Jamie Hulstein’s mailbox. Thanks!

Library Book Recommendation Form

Book Title: _____

Author: _____

Genre: _____



Praise and Worship Greeters

- 3: E: Levi and Kira Christensen/family
C: Larry and Melissa DeBoer
W: Marcus and Angie DeBoer
- 10: E: Stan and Abby De Zeeuw/family
C: Cory and Amy Dykstra
W: LaVon Dykstra
- 17: E: Ron and Nancy Dykstra
C: Luella Eggink
W: Jon and Amy Elser
- 24: E: Anita Ernst
C: Mim Ernst
W: Paul Feldkamp
- 31: E: Eugene and Renae Groen
C: Robert and Janice Groen
W: Ed and Jan Harskamp

Children & Worship during the service



**Children and Worship
is on break until fall**



1. In all situations, we have the power to be a taker or a giver. Beyond receiving, how am I actively being a blessing to others in my daily life?
2. Simple generosity is powerful. What small, intentional acts of generosity could I incorporate into my routine that might create a ripple effect of good?
3. Live a life worth emulating— one where your actions speak louder than words. If your life were a lesson, what are you teaching, and do those lessons truly reflect your values?

Worship Service Nursery

**Nursery is open
but unstaffed
during the
summer months.**

Fellowship Coffee Servers

- 3: Merlyn and Karen Doorenbos
10: Ron and Nancy Dykstra
17: Luella Eggink and Lynn Schram
24: Ed and Jan Harskamp
31: Bill and LaDonn Hartzell

Library Volunteers



- 3: Ruth Ann Wiersma
10: Gert Gaalswyk
17: Jan Henrichs
24: Jamie Hulstein
31: Jan Juffer

Willing Hands Group



Group #2
will be responsible for
services during the month.

Co-chairpersons are:

- Julie/Merlyn Janssen
- Luella Eggink
- Jan/Ed Harskamp



Stewardship & Giving

Offering Summary through July 26:

- **General Fund: \$204,828.59**
Budget: \$363,794.52; 56% of budget
- **Benevolent Fund: \$7761.64**
Budget: \$61,125; 12% of budget

- **Building Fund offerings to date: \$945**

Average Monthly Offering Needed:

\$35,493.29

Total Ben./Gen. Offerings through July 26

\$19,972.88

Total Ben/Gen offering does not include
"Special Monthly Offering" donations as they
are technically not part of the estimated budget.

Special Offering for August



Faith In Action for August

Upper Des Moines Food Pantry

Let's help fill up the pantry!

Any nonperishable food is welcome.

Thank you for sharing!



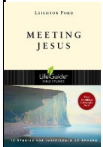
*Carve your name on hearts, not
tombstones. A legacy is etched into the
minds of others and the stories they share
about you." - Shannon L. Alder*

Judges Trivia Time!!

1. You just drove a tent peg through Sisera's head. What is your husband's name?
2. Who said, "Draw your sword and kill me, so that they can't say, 'A Woman killed him.'?"
3. Your name is Othniel and God raised you up as a deliverer for Israel. Who is your older brother?
4. Who was the king of Canaan while Deborah was the judge of Israel?
5. When the people of Judah attacked the Canaanites, they advanced against the people living in Debir. What was Debir's former name?
6. What word could the Ephraimites not pronounce correctly that cost them 42,000 men?
7. I am a Benjamite. After my tribe's rebellion, the rest of the Israelites has sworn that they would no longer give their daughters to be our wives. How did we acquire enough wives for ourselves after that happened?
8. In which city did a woman drop an upper millstone on Abimelek's head?
9. Who saw the angel of the Lord ascend toward heaven in the flame from a burnt offering?
10. What was a foreigner from the Valley of Sorek paid with for betraying Samson?



Faith Bible Study, will meet on **Monday, August 18 at 9:30 am**. We will be studying lesson #2, "Experiencing God, Experiencing Love" in our study book *Experiencing God* by Tim Chester. Scripture will be Luke 7:36-50. Leader will be Anita and Imogene will serve as hostess. All are invited! Please join us as we start our new study, Experiencing God, Finding true passion, joy, peace and rest in Christ.



Patience Bible Study, will meet on **Monday, August 18 at 3:00 pm**. We will be studying lesson #4 "Jesus the Master over Fear," in our book *Meeting Jesus*. Scripture for the lesson is Luke 8:22-39. Barb will lead.

Fellowship Bible Study Opportunities!

****Message Discussion and Application Bible Study****

*Fireside Room at 10:10am Sunday Mornings

****Digging into God's Word****

This group is currently studying the book of **Ezekiel**.

FRC Fireside Room Sunday Nights at 6:30pm



Consistory Highlights for July:

Meeting Minutes

- Property is receiving quotes for kitchen remodel.
- Education calendar has been set for Sunday and Wednesday activities for the 2025-2026 academic year.
- As part of the new calendar, Education is establishing a Wednesday night family dinner at 6:00pm. K-5 Classes and 7-8 Middle School Remnant to begin at 6:30 and High School Remnant to begin at 7:30.
- By-Law and Election Procedures were reviewed and changes are attached at the end of these minutes.
- Due to security concerns, consideration is being given to locking church doors when no one is present.



Back-to-school sales are already hitting the stores!

Now is the perfect time to stock up on your Operation Christmas Child Shoebox items!!





Celebrations

~~Birthday's~~

1 Ellie Loerts	20 Charlie Kuhl
3 Vanessa Odens	21 Jessa Wolter Baker Bruxvoort
4 Garrett Sayler	22 Paul Feldkamp Lindy Tracy
7 Cory Dykstra Dawson Beyer Aidan Beyer	24 Sharon Bartels Amy Elser
8 Landon Odens	25 Wilma Hatting
9 Natalie Klaassen	26 John Bartels Brenda Kuhl Brad Loerts
10 Barb Van Diepen Regan Crichton Anita Ernst	27 Madison Brouwer
13 Tayler Bremer	28 Larry Riebeling
15 Megan Loerts	29 David Van Ruler
16 Deb Kosters Dawson Kreykes	30 Renae Groen
17 Alyssa Wassman Andrea Block	31 Grace Sayler
19 Alexis Gaalswyk Maureen Heilman	

~~Anniversaries~~

2 Jim & Pauline Van Engen	51 years
4 Merlin & Karen Doorenbos Chad & Megan Travaille	35 years 7 years
6 Ger and Barb Van Diepen Ken and Wilma Loerts	59 years 49 years
7 Charlie and Brenda Kuhl John and Kim Mc Dougall	44 years 26 years
11 Eugene and Renae Groen	53 years
13 Steve and Lynn Mulder Clayton and Jodi Wagenaar Michael and Chelsea Hulstein	37 years 37 years 14 years
15 Mike and Mary Hustoft	62 years
18 Dave & Donna Kleinwolterink	49 years
22 Arnie & Diane Langstraat	56 years
23 Scott and Jamie Hulstein Brent and Brenda Wassman	28 years 28 years
24 John and Lois Van Diepen Randy and Kelli Vande Berg	63 years 35 years
25 Brian and Chelsey Alexander	13 years
28 Leroy & Glenda De Boer	44 years
30 Brian and Megan Loerts	17 years

BE A
Prayer
WARRIOR

Luke 21:36

Our Missionaries

Dr. Bernadeth Kelly &
Adrian Bobb
Sayuri Kist—Okazaki
Brian & Donna Renes
J.J. & Tim TenClay
Rowland & Jan Van Es
Grace Covenant Ministries
Jeff and Chelsea Lampen

Helen Vander Veen

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PRAY FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

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| 1. Brian and Megan Loerts;
Brysen, Laxton, Nash, Ellie | 16. Pray for our College Students |
| 2. Pray for our College Students | 17. Pray for our Church |
| 3. Pray for our Church | 18. Vanessa Odens; Gracie, Landon |
| 4. Ken and Wilma Loerts | 19. Dick and Marcia Oldenkamp |
| 5. Josh and Hannah Lucas;
Joanna, Allegra, Sarah | 20. Lyle Peelen |
| 6. Nick and Maria Mans; Loryl, Nolan | 21. Reka Post |
| 7. Cory and Anne Maxwell;
Kaylee, Kyler | 22. LaVonne Prins |
| 8. Kaden Maxwell | 23. Pray for our College Students |
| 9. Pray for our College Students | 24. Pray for our Church |
| 10. Pray for our Church | 25. Junior and Imogene Rasmussen |
| 11. John and Kim McDougall | 26. Larry and Rhonda Riebeling |
| 12. Matthew McDougall | 27. Daren Rockman |
| 13. Dave and Jessica McDyer; Lincoln, Addison | 28. Marlin Roelfs |
| 14. Leona Meendering | 29. Janice Runia |
| 15. Steve and Lynn Mulder | 30. Pray for our College Students |
| | 31. Pray for our Church |

College Students:

Elliot Daiker
 Cole Dykstra
 Sofia Hisek
 Alexis Hulstein
 Alyssa Jacobsma
 Addysen Langstraat
 Parker Loerts
 Kaylee Maxwell

Grace Beavers
 Michael Block Jr.
 Ella Bruxvoort
 Aiden De Zeeuw
 Karissa Hulstein

Marissa Ackerman
 Halle Block
 Tayler Bremer
 Madison Brouwer
 Regan Crichton
 Keegan De Zeeuw
 Maverick Elser
 Emma Langstraat
 Gannon Rockman

Carter Brouwer

Grant Brouwer
 Ryan Van Marel

MacKenzie Beyer
 Teddy Van Gelder



Update from Adrian and Bernardeth Bobb-Kelly

Dear friends,

First of all, thank you so much for all the support you continue to give to our ministry with cards, money, and prayers.

We are overwhelmed with all kinds of challenges, but we are still going ahead with the ministry, trusting in this Bible promise found in Deuteronomy 31: 8 **"I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU NOR FORSAKE YOU."**

The children of the two neighborhoods are fed, the pastors and midwives are trained, and the sick are visited in their communities.

Recently, we had the first medical brigade of 2025 and we were able to share the gospel and offer our clinic. We always seek to put God first before attending to the sick. First, we invite the people to a 30-minute devotional where we thank God for the trip, pray for those who will visit with the doctors, sing worship songs with them, share a short meditation, and send them to the medical doctors.



Our river trips with the doctors are made possible with a 200HP outboard engine donated to us by our late friend Amy Dekruyter and her family, and we are still so thankful to them. May the Lord Almighty continue to bless them. Revelation 14:13 says: **"blessed are those who die in the Lord... for their deeds will follow them."**

Our friends from Westwood Church in Omaha, Nebraska, also gave us some mosquito nets to shield us from mosquito bites, and so far, they continue to protect us from these unfriendly insects in the small villages. There are many more helpful things given to us by different people that we cherish, and we are deeply thankful to all of them. We pray that the Lord continues to bless them and their whole family abundantly now and forevermore. Our Lord Jesus Christ said: **"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."** Matthew 25:40 NIV



The small communities' students that we are helping are doing well with their studies. One of them, by the name of **Kury Kama Manzanarez**, will be graduating this year from 5th year, please lift him up in your prayers.

Please pray for our family and the entire ministry (staff, children, pastors, midwives, medical brigades, and all of the students that we are helping with their studies). Please pray for the ministry to continue faithfully serving our community as we face institutional challenges with bureaucracy.

May the Lord bless you in abundance as you continue to help and pray for us.

Blessings,

Dr. Bernardeth Kelly and Pastor Adrian Bobb

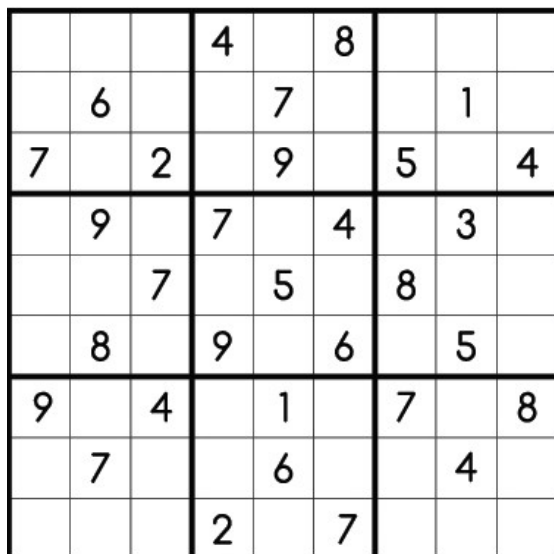
Back to School



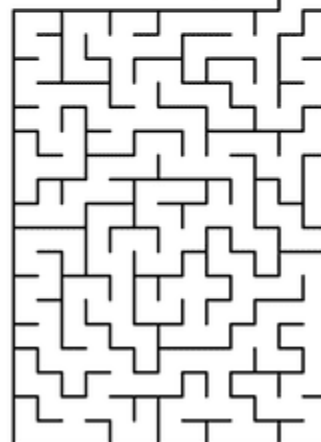
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BOOKS	NOTEBOOK
BUS	PAPER
CLASSROOM	PENCIL

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STUDENT
TEACHER
WHITEBOARD

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I had a plan to talk about what to do with older children and even children out of the house, but I had a recent experience, and I feel compelled by the Holy Spirit to write this instead. I want to write about the importance of fathers. The week of July 14-18, 2025, I had the privilege of helping Inspiration Hills by being their chaplain during Journey week. Journey week is a week of camp that is regular camp, but it is for campers that come from a rougher background than most campers do. It is a challenging week for most because there are behavioral issues, dark and painful stories these children have gone through, and other things. The one thing that I noticed in most of these camper's lives that was the same, the absence of a father. Mothers this does not mean you are not important or that you are not valid, because you are, but there needs to be two parents in the home, mother and father. When fathers are absent your family's lives are at risk. Statistics say that children in father-absent homes are at a greater risk of poverty, behavioral problems, going to prison, to commit a crime, to become pregnant as a teen, to face abuse and neglect, to abuse drugs and alcohol, or drop out of school. Now here is the harsh reality, you do not have to not live at home with your children to be an absent father. These stats also reveal that absent fathers are ones that live at home with their children and are still married to their mom. An absent father is one that is not involved in their children's lives. They prioritize work over their children and family life; they come home and just want to watch tv and not play with their children. If you come home and just say a simple hi to your kids but do not engage with them, you can be labeled as an absent father.



What is your calling as a father? Your calling is to protect, provide, and guide. We as fathers need to protect our families from the evils of the world, not shelter, but you can protect without sheltering. We need to provide for our families so that they can have security and be taken care of. Finally, we as fathers are called to guide our families. As the head of the household, it is our job to lead and guide our families (Ephesians 5). Your wife wants to be led, your children want to be led, and your family needs to be led by you the head of the household. Here is the reality of the garden of Eden in Genesis 3 when God cursed the world and said that He was going to curse the ground that Adam and Eve were on, He also said that Eve was going to desire her husband. The term, "desire her husband" means that she will want to be her husband, she will want to be in charge. This is why we have so many issues with the fight for gender "equality", it is following the curse of the world after the fall. Fathers need to lead, and they need to be present. I know that it is difficult for fathers to come home after a long day of work and play with your kids, but fathers we must do it. There will come a day when your kids do not want to play with you anymore, there will be a day when your kids will not be under your roof, and you will miss them, have you prepared them for that day?

The call is simple, fathers when you clock out of your jobs, go home and love your families. Be present in your kid's lives and let them know that you are there. Even if you have older kids and they think you are lame, if you show yourself as being present, they will come to you. It is never too late to be a father to your children. Jesus can redeem and fix any situation, give it to Him and He will fix it. Pray for your children and teach them. In short, as I said before, be present fathers.

Blessings,
Josh

Dad Jokes with Josh:

What did one slice of bread say to the other before their race? You are toast

Sportsmen's Devotional

Today's Photograph . . . We Have A Long Journey Ahead Of Us

Bible Study Verse

2 Peter 3:18 "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen."



Thoughts

It all began in late May on the Yellowstone and Jackson lakes. We had to cast sinking fly line with large streamers long distances to reach the prime drop offs where the Yellowstone cutthroats and lake trout were lurking. It took some practice to be able to reach those distances.

When we were not fishing from a boat, but on the shore of a small mountain lake with trees behind us, we had to use a roll cast. On one mountain lake we ran into a callibaetis hatch right on the shoreline. This required long accurate casts avoiding the over-hanging trees with a delicate presentation. Occasionally, we had to make a side cast to the rising trout. Fishing the creeks and rivers also required a variety of different casts.

Two Sportsmen's Devotional writers came to Wyoming to learn fly fishing. We started them with all the basics and after some practice they experienced some success. The important thing is that we all realized that fly fishing requires learning new skills and continued practice to develop those skills.

Action Point

The same is true of our faith and our relationship with God. Once we are saved and the foundation of our faith is laid, we have a long journey ahead of us. It is God's hope that we "grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."

No matter how long we've been a Christian, BE HUMBLE:

- We haven't arrived.
- We have a long way to go.

Continue reading and studying God's Word, be in prayer, and be involved in Christian fellowship.

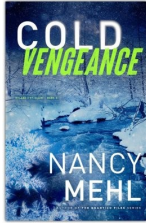
Sportsmen's Tip of the Day

Once you decide that you want to learn how to fly fish, have an experienced fly fisherman advise you on equipment and teach you the basics. This will aid in your success and prevent some frustration.

Judges Trivia Time Answers:

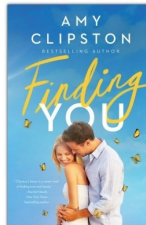
1. Heber 2. Abimelek 3. Caleb 4. Jabin 5. Kiriath Sephir 6. Shibboleth 7. Caught women dancing and carried them off 8. Thebez 9. Elon 10. Silver

From the library--



The following new books have been placed in the library: the first one is by Nancy Mehl and the third in the Ryland + St. Clair series, *COLD VENGEANCE*. "When a renowned crime podcaster vanishes without a trace, former FBI behavioral analysts turned private investigators River Rylan and Tony St. Clair are called upon to track her down. As they wade through the evidence she left behind, they unearth a startling connection—she may have discovered the existence of an unknown killer, and he will stop at nothing to carry out a deadly plan.

As the pair delves deeper, they soon find themselves the targets of a relentless enemy determined to silence them. With their lives—and hearts—on the line, can they confront the evil that threatens them before it consumes them both?"



The second book is by Amy Clipston, *FINDING YOU*. "On the outside, twenty-seven year old Darcy Larsen is a pretty, put-together professional—but inside she's falling apart. Eighteen months ago she lost the love of her life in an accident she still blames herself for. After a successful transplant, her kidney disease seems to be in check but she worries her future children—if she has any—will also suffer from the same condition. And she's overcome with indecision about finding her birth mother, discovering potentially devastating information, and hurting her adoptive parents.

Mechanic Carter Donovan seems to have everything going for him at first glance; stunning good looks, a wicked sense of humor, and a heart of gold. But Carter's seemingly perfect exterior hides a host of secrets. After a rough breakup and mounting medical bills from a medical emergency that left him drowning in debt, he doesn't feel like the 'catch' everyone says he is. Plus, he's about to turn thirty—with no romantic prospects on the horizon.

When Darcy's Lexus breaks down in the doctor's parking lot, Carter appears on the scene to try to jump-start her car—and her heart. But despite their immediate connection, the two have perhaps too many obstacles to overcome. Carter questions if getting involved with Darcy will be the next big mistake. And Darcy wonders if she can ever move past her grief and guilt to embrace the gift of 'Happily Ever After' that's dangling in front of her."

This is our last article. After 13+ years, we have decided it is time for someone with new ideas to take over the church library. We want to thank everyone for their dedication and cooperation in getting books back. It is only through your commitment that a library can be a success. We ask that you continue to use the library and transfer your support to the new librarian.

--Jeannette Juffer and Alfreda Verdoorn



Education Schedule:

- Sunday School is on break until fall.
- MS Remnant is on break until fall.
- HS Remnant is on break until fall.

Have a fun and safe Summer!!

Back to School FUN CHECKLIST



SUMMER FUN

- Camp in the backyard
- Go to the farmer's market
- Have a playdate
- Go to the library
- Make cupcakes
- Go on a nature walk
- Have a picnic
- Go to the movie theater
- Play in the sprinkler
- Take a walk
- Make ice cream sundaes
- Visit a family member
- Watch the sun set
- Set up a lemonade stand
- Fly a kite
- Visit a waterpark
- Plan a weekend get-a-way
- Ride a bike
- Build a fort outside
- Plan a family game night
- Put together a memory book of your favorite summer moments

SCHOOL PREP

- Tidy up and clean desk or homework area
- Practice packing a lunch
- Pick out a cool, new backpack
- Get up an hour earlier
- Pick out a new cereal to try
- Write down your morning routine for school days
- Save money on supplies while helping a classroom in need via CloroxForSchools.com
- Pick out a new water bottle
- Go shopping for school supplies
- Sort through fall clothes and donate what doesn't fit
- Get a new haircut



2025

BEYOND YESTERDAY: Embrace the Now, Influence Tomorrow

Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth...I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:19 ESV

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TUESDAY-SEPTEMBER 9-2025- CONFERENCE

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER
JASON VANRULER

Jason VanRuler is one of the most sought-after therapists. With a biblical foundation, he has spoken on stages to thousands and specializes in topics like trauma, integrity, burnout, and connection. Jason has also been featured in renowned media outlets such as the New York Times, Fox News, and many others. He is the author of the #1 Amazon Best Selling book *Get Past Your Past: How Facing Your Broken Places Leads to True Connection*.

Ministry inspiration from Bible League by CEO Jos Snoep and Ministry Trainer Jonathan Delgado

Back by popular demand, Jennifer Frens and friends will lead meaningful worship.

Hosted by Bible League Volunteer Ambassadors to strengthen the body of Christ and raise funds for providing Scripture to children worldwide.

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SIOUX CENTER, IA CONFERENCE INFORMATION

- September 8: Doors open at 5:30pm, Dinner begins at 6:00pm.
- September 9: Doors open at 9:00am, Conference runs from 9:30am until 2:00pm.

REGISTRATION

September 8 Dinner—\$25
September 9 Conference with Lunch—\$40
September 9 Conference without Lunch—\$30

Register before August 31 using the QR code or at bibleleague.org/tickets.



Registration after August 17 incurs a \$5 late fee.
Registration closes August 31.

If you need registration assistance, please call Bible League at 708.367.8921 / 8:30am to 4:00pm CT / M-F

FOR ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION, CONTACT
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Registration fee covers conference expenses only.
The mission of Bible League is to serve the under-resourced Church. There will be an opportunity for your financial support at the events.



Our education year will be starting in September. We are currently looking for teachers for our Wednesday Night Classes and Sunday School Classes. If you feel led to volunteer, please talk to Deb Kosters or any member of the Education Team

**Backpack
Distribution Dates:**
Aug. 5 10am-7pm
Aug 11 8am-2pm
Aug 20 12pm-6pm



Interested in Volunteering?
Please visit the information Center to get signed up to help or Contact Peg Van Kley or Deb Kosters.