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#### Missionaries Serving Around the World

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Howard & Marilynn Plucar
Nubako & Claudine Selenga
Lonnie & Debbie Smith

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The Family Radio

Check the church directory for contact info on all missionaries and their sending agencies.

# MC21: ENTRUSTED

Discipling the nations, one neighbor at a time.

This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful. 1 Cor. 4:1-2

These verses from 1 Corinthians remind us that, as Christ followers, we have been entrusted with a mission to reach others (neighbors and nations alike) for Christ. This year's Mission Conference will encourage you to embrace this responsibility in practical ways, both near and far, all for the glory of God! Here's a look at the weekend's itinerary:



#### FRIDAY, MARCH 5

6:30pm, Multi-Purpose Room

- Rich Brown, Speaker
- Ministry update with Lloyd & Mary Wapp and another supported missionary (video)

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 6

6pm, Multi-Purpose Room

- Supported Missionary Speaker
- Ministry update with Marcus & Kaitlyn Murphy and Nubako & Claudine Selenga (video)

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 7

Traditional Service, 8am, Sanctuary

- Dr. Michael McKay, Speaker
- Ministry update with Howard & Marilynn Plucar
   Contemporary Service, 9:30am, Multi-Purpose Room
- Dr. Michael McKay, Speaker
- Ministry update with Howard & Marilynn Plucar

Equip, 9:30am, Sanctuary

- Lloyd & Mary Wapp
- Howard & Marilynn Plucar

Student Equip, 9:30am, Café 19

- Marcus & Kaitlyn Murphy
- Matt Seider

We invite you to stay after the Friday and Saturday evening services for a time of fellowship and light refreshments. Childcare for babies through kindergarteners will be available during both evening services. All children are welcome and encouraged to accompany you to the services. Mission activity bags will be available. We believe their hearts will be inspired, too, as they hear stories and teachings on how to impact the world around them for Christ! Children's programming will run as usual on Sunday morning. Join us for a fantastic weekend!

#### **Bless Your Heart!**

Have you paused recently to consider that the Lord has fashioned your heart? (Psalm 33:15)



As ambassadors of Christ, we have a responsibility to be mindful of both the spiritual and physical condition of our heart. Our Faith Community Nursing (FCN) ministry encourages our congregation to take a proactive, God-honoring approach to caring for our Godgiven bodies. Sponsoring the annual blood pressure screening is one way FCN would like to help!

The free blood pressure screening will take place on Sunday, March 21 from 9am-10:15am in room 109. No sign-up is required. Please wear a short-sleeved or thin long-sleeved shirt for an accurate reading. Your blood pressure will be recorded on a walletsized card for your taking.

We'll encourage the precautions we've been emphasizing, including handwashing before/after your screening, maintaining distance between others getting screened, and wearing a mask if possible.



## **Keep Praying for Life!**

The spring 40 Days for Life campaign is underway all across the country, and prayers are being answered! On just day 2 of the campaign, a baby's life was saved when the mother cancelled her abortion appointment!



Let's keep it going! Locally, the prayer campaign is daily from 7am-7pm on the sidewalk outside of Planned Parenthood at 909 S. Taylor Drive/New Jersey Avenue.

The campaign goes through March 28, so there is still time for you to sign up.

For more information, or to sign up for vigil hours, visit www.40daysforlife.com/Sheboygan.



The staff is in the budget process and we'd welcome your ideas and suggestions for programs,

equipment, and/or events that we might consider including in the FY2022 budget. If you have questions, we welcome those too. Please share your ideas by mid-March with whichever staffer oversees the program you have thoughts about.

# Happy Birthday/Anniversary in March

Names omitted.



# This and That

The Spring Directory Update will be available in the church office beginning March 7.

Daylight Saving Time starts on Sunday, March 14. Remember to set your clocks ahead (so that 10pm becomes 11pm) before going to bed on Saturday night!

In case of program changes due to inclement weather, announcements will be posted on our church website homepage, as well as the following:

- WHBL 1330AM radio/website
- WTMJ Channel 4
- 620TMJ radio/website
- WITI Channel 6 (Fox 6)

Decisions on Sunday events will be made at 6am that day with announcements to the media shortly thereafter. Ministry leaders will be called by their overseeing program staff. Decisions on weekday evening events will be made by 3pm that day, with calls to media and ministries thereafter.



March 3

Dr. Suess Night

March 10
Paper Airplane Night

March 17
Presidents Night

March 24
Nerd for God's Word Night

March 31 Nerd for God's Word Night



#### **Live Simulcast**

The Hope for the Journey Live Simulcast will be held in our Multi-Purpose Room on Friday, April 9 from 9am-5pm at a cost of \$10 per person. The aim of this one day conference is to equip parents and caregivers meeting the everyday needs of children impacted by adoption and foster care. Special guests at the conference include Show Hope Founders, Mary Beth and Steven Curtis Chapman, along with Executive Director, Emily Chapman Richards. Long-time affiliate organizations and partners, including the Karyn Purvis Institute of Child Development at TCU and Empowered to Connect, will also share teaching, insight, and practical applications.

This schedule includes five highlevel learning modules based on the foundational principles of TBRI (Trust-Based Relational Intervention) along with a new teaching component, The Gospel + TBRI. Embedded within each learning



module will be a *Going Deeper* teaching video on a select topic. There will also be two encouraging *Practical Perspectives* videos featuring the voices of adult adoptees as well as adoptive and foster families. Each attendee will be given a workbook.

# Learning Module 1: An Introduction to Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI)

Going Deeper topic to include the importance of understanding ACES Learning Module 2: Connecting Principles

Going Deeper topic to explore biological and adoptive sibling dynamics **Learning Module 3: Empowering Principles** 

Going Deeper topic to unpack the need to acknowledge one's own limitations and implement self care strategies as a care provider

#### **Learning Module 4: Correcting Principles**

Going Deeper topic to discuss the challenges to and importance of finding rhythms to promote unity as parents during the day-to-day

#### Learning Modules 5: TBRI and the Gospel

Going Deeper topic to discuss the relational nature of God & the incarnation of Jesus as foundational cornerstones informing th efficacy of TBRI

Registrants have the option of in-person or digital attendance. (The first 30 people registered for digital attendance can do so at the \$10 rate mentioned above. If more than 30 are wanting to attend digitally, they will need to register at a \$19 rate.) Registrations should be submitted to the church office, Attention: Yvonne Mooney.

Certificates of completion will be available for adoptive and foster care families to submit to their respective agencies. Unlike past years, however, professional continuing education will not be offered through Show Hope, but hosts will be able to submit information for approval with local or state accreditation organizations.

For more details, contact Yvonne M. (yvonne.m@e-free-family.com).

# Holy Week at eFree

At Sheboygan eFree, Holy Week, the week leading up to Easter, is commemorated with three special services: Palm Sunday (March 28), Maundy Thursday (April 1), and Easter Sunday (April 4).

Palm Sunday – Palms strewn in someone's path was a sign of honor and reverence. We often use them today to symbolize the last entry of Jesus, riding on a donkey, into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday - "Maundy" comes from the Latin word meaning mandate or commandment. This refers to Jesus' words at His last supper with His disciples: A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another (John 13:34). We commemorate Jesus' example of extreme love by observing communion.

**Easter** – This is the most joyous of Christian events as it commemorates the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, sealing God's promise of redemption from sin through his Son.

Services on both Sundays will be held at their usual time in their usual location. There will be no Wednesday Children's or Student Ministries events, but choir will meet. The Maundy Thursday service will be held at 7pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. The service will be livestreamed, and communion elements will be available for pick-up in advance for those who wish to use them at home. On Easter Sunday, there will be light refreshments in the Welcome Center between the 8am and 9:30am services. The Equip class will not meet that day.



Awana Grand Prix: Friday, April 23

Awana Grand Finale: Wednesday, May 12

Vacation Bible School: June 21-25

# Ladies' Prayer Gathering

We don't need to tell you how stretching and unfamiliar the past year has been. We've been reminded repeatedly that we live in a broken world.



And yet we anchor our lives to this truth: Heaven Rules. When everything seems to be spinning out of control, we take courage knowing that God isn't panicked or shaken. He's not wringing His hands. Our God, our forever King, is seated. Sovereign. In control.

We invite all women to join us for a sweet time of prayer on Saturday morning, April 10, as together we cling to these truths through worship and corporate prayer. Watch for additional details in the coming weeks!

### **Baptism Class & Service**

Are you interested in learning more about baptism or do you have a student ready to respond to God's calling on their heart and be baptized? A baptism class will be held on Sunday, March 14 at 9:30am.

Our next baptism service will be held Friday, April 16 at 6:30pm at Bethel Baptist Church in Sheboygan. Join us in supporting those who are making a public declaration of their faith in Jesus!



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