



# The eFree Press

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## Missionaries Serving Around the World

### *Avant*

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### *Awana*

Tim & Sherry Thomas

### *The Evangelical Alliance Mission*

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### *Fellowship International Mission*

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### *Global Serve International*

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### *Ethnos360*

Rich & Karen Brown

Derrick & LaShawn Dobbs

Lloyd & Mary Wapp

### *Pioneers International*

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### *ReachGlobal*

Abraham & Maria Mudidi

Howard & Marilyn Plucar

Nubako & Claudine Selenga

Lonnie & Debbie Smith

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### *Teachbeyond*

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### *Wycliffe Bible Translators*

Jon & Stephanie Weiss

## Partner Missionary Organizations

*Anchor of Hope Health Center*

*Campus Life*

*Evangelical Child & Family Agency*

*Good News Jail & Prison Ministry*

*The Family Radio*

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



## Get Ready to Grow!

The start of our new program year is just around the corner, and there's something for everyone to grow in their relationship with the Lord! See where you'll want to get connected:

### CHILDREN

**Awana** is our Wednesday evening (6:30-8pm) programming for children ages 3-grade 6. It reaches students with the Good News of Jesus Christ and trains them to know, love, and serve Him. Club includes a small group Bible lesson, large group teaching and worship time, and game time.

### STUDENT MINISTRIES

- Youth Group (grades 7-12) meets Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm. Dinner is served at 6:30pm, followed by Pastor Robert's teaching at 7pm and small group discussion at 7:30pm. This year's focus will be a new series entitled, *The Teachings of Jesus*.
- EQUIP for Students — Beginning Sunday, September 6 at 9:30am, Pastor Robert will be equipping students grades 7-12 using systematic theology. Pick a topic, research that topic by studying portions of Scripture in context and pull together your findings . . . that is systematic theology!
- Disciple Apprenticeship — High school students commit to meeting on a weekly basis for one year with a mature, adult disciple of Jesus. The purpose is to learn how to walk faithfully with Jesus Christ for the glory of God so that they may go and do the same for others. Contact Pastor Robert for more details.
- Bible Quizzing — a fun, competitive way to know God's Word better. Since this group meets with others throughout our district, we are awaiting the status of meets for this year. Watch for details.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

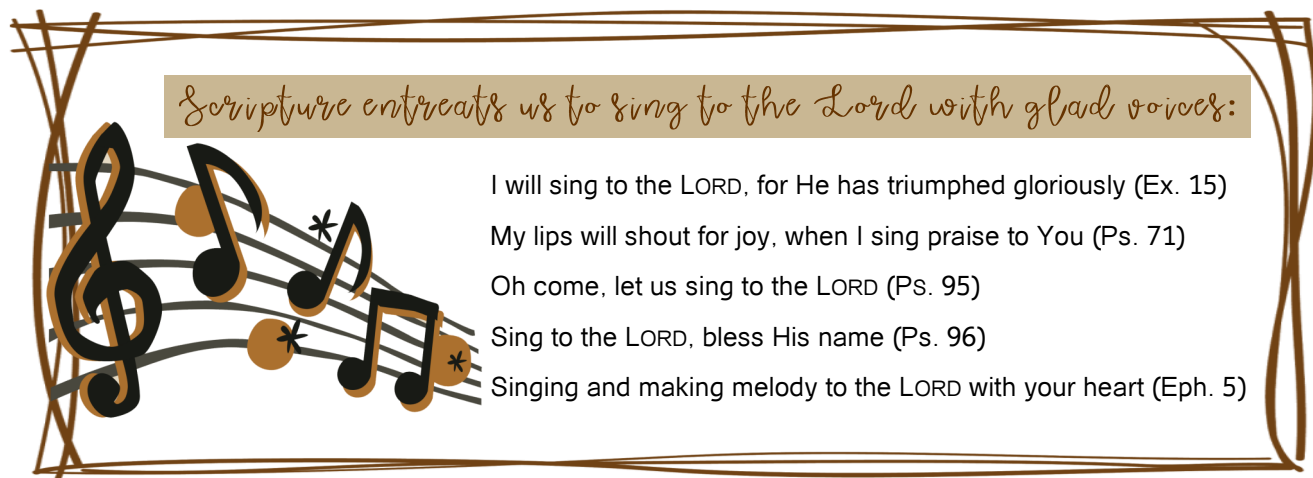
- Let God fulfill His greatest desire for you. Allow Him to transform you by embracing His plan for you. And find real purpose in a life of prayer, a life of priorities, a life as *A Woman After God's Own Heart*. This Bible study will meet on Tuesdays at 6:30pm starting September 15. The study will be led by Nancy V. and will be held at her home. The cost of the book is \$6.
- A Precepts Study on the book of Jeremiah will meet every other week on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30pm or Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am. Contact Lora L. for information on how to order a workbook. The study begins September 1 at the home of Christel B. and September 2 at church.

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## Singspiration . . . Encouraging Hearts as We Praise our God

*Give thanks with a grateful heart!* That's the theme for an evening of worshipful singing, as we give thanks to the Lord for His sovereignty and blessings during these trying times. All eFree fellowshippers are invited to come on Thursday, September 17, from 6-7pm in the sanctuary. Sponsored by the Forever Faithful ministry and open to all ages, the *Singspiration* will include sing-a-longs (and other musical enjoyment) in praise to our God and Savior. Dessert and refreshments will follow.

Join others for a sweet time of fellowship, making melody unto our Creator! The evening will open and close in prayer with humble adoration. God is good, ALL the time!



## Happy Birthday/Anniversary in September

*Names omitted.*

# This and That

In observance of Labor Day, the **church office will be closed** on Monday, September 7.

The third **quarterly directory update** will be available in the church office starting Sunday, September 6.

**Remember to pray for our supported missionaries!** You can find current information near the map in the Missions Hallway. Take a missionary card (or two!) and pray for them throughout the week!

As we continue to navigate the conditions of the pandemic, please know that an advisory **team meets monthly to review local and state Covid guidelines** in light of our local stats. This group will generate guidelines for the following 6 weeks to stay current. People/groups wanting to use the building can request these guidelines from the office or their staff ministry overseer.



**PROGRAM  
YEAR  
2020-21**

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- On Wednesday mornings at 9:30am at church, join a group of women, led by Vicki M. and Marlene G., who gather to study from God's Word. Watch for more details.
- First Love is a discussion-oriented Bible study focused on growing in knowledge, love, and intimacy with Jesus. This year's study is *The Great I AM Has Come*. Starting September 9, the study is led by Summar C. and will meet Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am at church.
- A study entitled *Habakkuk: Remembering God's Faithfulness When He Seems Silent* will meet Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm beginning September 23. The study will be led by Nikki M. Watch for more details.

## **MEN'S MINISTRIES**

- A Wednesday morning study on the book of Ezekiel will continue to meet with newcomers welcome at any time! Led by Tom R, this study meets at 9:30am in the Welcome Center.
- Jon MacDonald will lead a Bible study titled, *More Like Jesus* for those men seeking to deepen their relationship with Christ with the hope of entering leadership roles within the church. The study will meet Wednesdays at 6:30pm beginning on September 23.

## EQUIP Is Back!

On Sunday, September 6, we are planning to kick off our first Equip session of the new program year. Two 5-week options will be offered:

### ***THIS WE BELIEVE*, 9:30am, Library**

As the title suggests, this class explains everything you need know about what we believe as a church. This class is a requirement for anyone wishing to pursue membership with the church.

### ***REVIVE US AGAIN*, 9:30am, Sanctuary**

It only takes a look at the evening news for us to realize that there is much wrong with this world. Sins such as greed, violence, and corruption are rife in all sections of our society. Christians are becoming at best an irrelevance and at worse a persecuted minority. So what's the answer?

Join us as Dr. Walt Kaiser reveals spiritual principles inherent in the great awakenings of the Bible and shows us how to prepare the way for revival today. Not a foot-stomping, soul-saving series of meetings, but an individual believer's refocusing on God as the center of life.

## 40 Days for Life

The right to life is the most basic human right. All other human rights are irrelevant for those denied the right to life because of abortion. The unborn have no voice, but we can be their voice. How? By participating in the 40 Days for Life fall campaign in Sheboygan from September 23-November 1, 2020.

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful, prayerful vigil in front of abortion businesses. In Sheboygan, people will be praying from 7am-7pm each of these forty days from the sidewalk outside of Planned Parenthood at 909 S. Taylor Drive at the intersection of New Jersey Avenue. That is a lot of vigil hours to fill, but . . .

- You can help by choosing to participate
- You could be the last message of hope for a woman feeling alone and helpless as she enters Planned Parenthood for an abortion.
- You can be that beacon of hope.

Vigil signs will be provided along with abortion alternative information cards featuring our life-affirming Anchor of Hope Health Center.

For more information, please contact Yvonne M.



## Though Brunch Is Cancelled, Hope Is Not!

The Ladies' Christmas Brunch has long been a tool used of God for evangelism, encouragement, and rich fellowship, readying our hearts for the Christmas season. After much prayer and careful consideration, the Women's Ministries Leadership Team has made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 Ladies Christmas Brunch. The ongoing spread of COVID-19 paired with restrictions on large gatherings make an event such as the brunch impossible to host at this time. While this is not what we'd hoped or planned, our hearts are firm and steadfast in the goodness of God.

In place of this year's brunch, we are planning a unique event that will refresh and encourage your soul during the holiday season. Stay tuned for exciting details!



## Training Them Up in the Way They Should Go



The Parent-Child Dedication is a purposeful recognition that the parent is responsible before God to live an obedient life and raise the child in the love and fear of the Lord. The whole congregation is encouraged as we remind ourselves of our ongoing commitment to live together in obedience and faithfulness to God's Word.

Our next Parent-Child Dedication service will be held on Sunday, September 20. If you are interested in having your child dedicated to the Lord in one of the morning services that day, please contact Kim in the church office by September 11.

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