

News & Notes

October 8 – 14, 2017

Revive Church

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ALL-CHURCH CORNER

ISRAEL TRIP 2018

It's not too late to sign up! We're still looking for a few more people to experience the incredible journey of walking where Jesus walked. Trip Dates: February 20–March 2, 2018. Find a brochure at the Info Desk. If you plan to go, please register soon with Inspired Travel.

PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. The Elders would like to encourage you to bless our pastors in a special way this month. Find a creative way to say "thank you" for their love and dedication to Jesus, our church, our community and world.

SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES SEEKING HELP

The HOME Program is seeking individual and groups of volunteers to assist with fall yard clean-up for elders in the community. Work will start mid-October, depending upon the weather, and continue until the snow stays. Meanwhile, there are lots of gardens to weed and windows to wash before raking begins. Please see flyer in the back glass case for information.

CHAIRS IN THE FOYER

Just outside the sanctuary glass windows, we have chairs set up that are reserved for families with young children. This allows parents to take in the service without disrupting those in the sanctuary. Thanks for keeping those spots open for these families.

A NOTE OF THANKS

"Thanks again for holding my mother's memorial service on September 8. It was a beautiful service along with the wonderful floral arrangement you provided. Your prayers and words have meant a lot to us and have ministered to us these past months." – With love, Todd and Melody Hopps

OUR SYMPATHY TO . . .

Tony and Judy Hoffman on the passing of Tony's mother.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Leaders: Holly Jenson and Jera Henry
[Facebook.com/Women'sMinistry@ReviveChurch](https://www.facebook.com/Women'sMinistry@ReviveChurch)
Email: womensministry.revivechurch@gmail.com

FALL BIBLE STUDIES ON WEDNESDAYS

- 9:30 AM, Matt Chandler's "To Live is Christ, to Die is Gain" (Philippians), facilitated by Pat Catlin, Cost: \$15, childcare is available for an additional small fee.
- 6:30 PM, Precepts Study, "John," facilitated by Carmen Huisinga, Cost: \$25, childcare is available in AWANA.
- 6:30 PM, Matt Chandler's "To Live is Christ, to Die is Gain" (Philippians), facilitated by Gail Lyon & Niki Hunter, Cost: \$15, childcare is available in AWANA.

CARE MINISTRIES

Parish Nurse, Judy Petersen, RN
Ext. 30, jpetersen@bpefc.org

REPORT ON BLOOD DRIVE

We were able to provide 10 units of blood at the Memorial Blood Center's Blood Drive last week. While this is short of the goal (18 units), we thank you for your commitment to make the Blood Drive a success!

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Each year, October is designated as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. It is an opportunity to raise awareness, mourn those who have died because of violence, celebrate survivors, and connect victims to professionals who work to end domestic violence. In Minnesota, there were 21 deaths from domestic violence murders in 2016, which also left 14 minor children motherless. The good news is that over 60,000 victims and their children accessed services through domestic violence programs; this is believed to have decreased the number of deaths in 2016. The phone number for the Domestic Violence Crisis line is 1-866-223-1111. Shelters and educational help in our area include Corner Stone, The Dwelling Place and Home Free.

REVIVE STUDENT MINISTRIES

Student Ministries Pastor
Nate Miller, Ext. 15

SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM

Middle Schoolers (Grades 6–8), join us as we dig into our Bibles together to discover more of who God is and what Jesus has done! We meet in the Youth Room.

WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 PM

Middle School & High School Youth meet first in the Youth Room for games, student-led worship, and teaching from Pastor Nate, then go to Small Groups.

9–12 FALL FIRE! RETREAT

October 20–22 is the MEA Fall Fire! Retreat at Camp Lebanon. The cost is \$119 plus \$ for two meals.

Register: www.signupforms.com/registrations/11419.

Registration Deadline: TODAY!

For current **Youth Events**, pick up a Calendar from the Youth Kiosk or go to ReviveBrooklynPark.org/student-ministries.

REVIVE KIDS MINISTRIES

Children & Family Ministries Pastor
Frank Lanier, Ext. 27
Assistant Director
Leanne Klein, Ext. 38

AWANA SPECIALS AND INFORMATION

10/11 Missions – Operation Christmas Child
10/12 (Thursday) Car Build Workshop 6–8:30 PM
10/21 (Saturday) Car Build Workshop 9:00 AM–NOON
10/25 Beach Party
11/8 Missions – AWANA GO! Kenya
11/9 (Thursday) Car Build Workshop 6–8:30 PM
11/15 PINEWOOD DERBY!

SUNDAY MORNING TEACHERS & HELPERS NEEDED

We have openings during the 10:00 Service for:

2/3 Year Olds – Teachers & Helpers

4/5 & K – Teachers & Helpers

Nursery – Helpers

Contact Leanne Klein for details.

UPWARD SPORTS BASKETBALL – SIGN UP NOW!

Players, register for the January–March 2018 Season!

Go online to <http://registration.upward.org/UPW65086> or pick up a brochure at the Kids' Kiosk. We are also looking for Coaches and Referees. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Richard Woods at 763-498-3907.

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Dan & Carrie Ritzman
Jeremie & Nathaniel

EFCM – Belgium

PRAISE GOD:

- The Word is being spread! We were able to order 500 Bibles to be distributed among the five cooperating Iranian churches in Belgium thanks to the Muslim Ministry Fund. Generous gifts made this HUGE blessing possible! God is moving so much among Iranians that it is hard to keep enough Bibles on hand.
- The leadership is growing! During the month of May, when we were in the U.S. for some family events, God spoke to most of the Iranian church leadership team including myself. The common thread was that we must grow if the church is to grow. For most of our leaders, this meant in Biblical knowledge and confidence. For me, it was to become the leader needed in this new phase of the church. From this desire, the leadership retreat was born and in September we began meeting weekly for a study on how to interpret the Bible correctly. God is blessing this time together and the benefits are already being seen in the church.
- God is on the move. For the second time, we held a summer conference. The impact was maybe less than last year, but God still worked in many hearts and a few newer people gave their hearts to Christ. The theme was “ba ham” (together), and it was very much that.
- Baptisms continue! We are preparing for baptisms once again on October 29. There are a solid handful of people who are ready to take this step of obedience to the Lord. It is an exciting time, for sure!
- Jeremie will graduate from college! On December 16, he will graduate from John Brown University. We will be joining him for that special event and will be staying through Christmas. Then we'll be back to Brussels for the New Year.

PRAY FOR:

- Jeremie as he starts this new phase of life, looks for a job, and tackles the many other major decisions that await him.
- Nathaniel as he is looking at graduation in May and possible Masters studies beyond.
- The baptism candidates preparing for October 29.