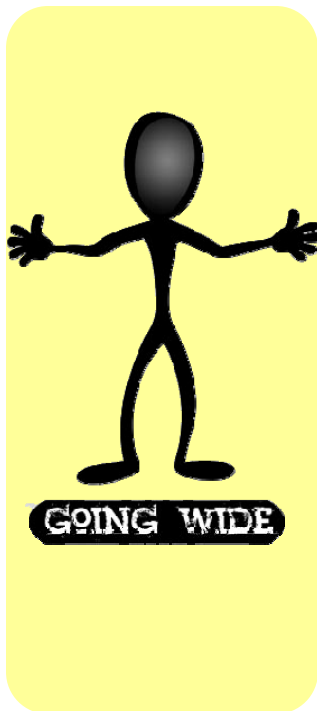


CONNECT

Student Discipleship Ministry

SPRING 2012 NEWSLETTER



Going Wide

This semester we will be focusing on Going Wide in our events, our teachings and in our daily lives.

Going Wide is more than just evangelism; it is about taking and living our faith out in the world. Part of that is evangelism training and how to verbally share our faith; but it also includes living a life of influence so that when we do open our mouths people listen.

So, let me encourage you to Go Wide with your faith this semester.

How to Go Wide

Step 1: Pray

Begin by praying for your friends and family who do not have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Step 2: Pursue

Next, bring God up. Look for opportunities to move typical conversations to talking about faith and God.

Step 3: Persuade

Finally, share the gospel message with a friend or invite them to a church event so that they can hear the gospel message.

Highlights of the Fall

I hope that everyone had an awesome fall. I know it was an adjustment for many as the normal routine of life began again after a crazy and intense summer.

I really enjoyed getting to spend time with all of you guys from ice skating to go carts to barn swing to giant four-square as well as rocking some 9 Square-in-the-Air.

“The God of the universe is crazy about you ... so don't just walk away and go back to your routine...”

-Francis Chan



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Winter Weekend



January 27-29, 2012

Winter Weekend is a weekend retreat that occurs at the church, various host homes and other locations throughout Joplin. Students are divided up into small groups for Bible Study, recreation and service projects and then come together for meals and worship.

Do you have what it takes?

Many of us fear what other people might think if we take a stand for Christ or Truth. It is far too easy for us to just keep quiet and avoid the risk of being rejected or persecuted. But, we need to understand there is another way, a way of courage. In our Winter Weekend study this year we will open up the book of Daniel and see how our faith in Jesus Christ can help us live lives defined by courage rather than fear.

Theme



Cost

\$25 Per Person

\$25 If Paid By Jan 22 or \$35 If Paid After Jan 22
Includes Curriculum, Meals & a T-Shirt.

Who

Ed Willoughby (Worship Speaker)
Kelly Parks (Worship Leader)
U of A College Students (Small Group Leaders)

Game Day XLVI

February 5, 2012
5-9 p.m.
FREE

A party to watch and celebrate a very famous football game involving two of the best teams in a major football league here in the U.S.A.
(Sorry, can't say Super Bowl!)



Celebrate Summer



May 30, 2012
10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
\$20 Per Person

Come join us as we say good bye to another school year and say hello to summer. It will be a day that I know you won't want to miss.

We will once again float down the Elk River together and then head out to one of our local parks to grill out, have some fun and play some games.

Remember When...



Spring Break Mission Trip



Missions in Action

Spring Break will be our 3rd Annual Spring Break Family Mission Trip. This is a mission trip for Junior High and High School students and their families. We encourage all parents to attend with their teenager(s), share in the ministry and the memories.

We will once again be workign with Mission Arlington to serve by working with their distribution network and conducting backyard Bible Clubs.

Event Details

- When: March 18-22, 2012
- Where: Mission Arlington (Texas)
- Housing: Wedgwood Baptist Church Fort Worth, TX
- How Much: \$30 (Due March 11th)
- Who: All students and their families
Children must be 3rd Grade or Older

Space is Limited So Sign Up and Pay Early!

Bible Study

We are continuing to study through the entire Bible in the course of your 6 years in the Student Discipleship Ministry.

Everyday you will have a passage of Scripture that you are encouraged to read. Then each Sunday, we will come together to discuss and draw out application for their lives.

We encourage you to use the What³ method.

What³

As you study through the Bible ask yourself 3 questions:

1. What did I read? (Summary)
2. What do I need to do? (Application)
3. What do I not understand? (Comprehension)

Spring 2012 Studies

Proverbs

January 8-February 4

Galatians

February 5-25

Judges

February 26-April 7

Philippians

April 8-21

Ruth

April 22-May 5

Philemon

May 6-12



Sunday Mornings
9:15-10:30

CAMP PREVIEW

This year for youth camp we will be going to Global Youth Camp at Windemere Camp and Conference Center in Roach, MO July 16-20, 2012.

The cost of camp this year will be \$250 per person and will include everything including meals on the road.

Also, if you sign up and pay your deposit (\$50) by January 15, 2012 you'll receive a free new Youth Group T-Shirt.

The first deposit (\$50) is required to sign up and the final balance (\$200) will be due June 27th.



Journey



Wednesday Nights
6:00-8:00 p.m.

Jan 4-18

Go Wide
A three step process of sharing our faith.

Feb 1-15

Different
A look at how to be Different from the world without being weird.

Feb 22-Mar 14

Tough Issues

A look at some of the tough issues that we, as Christians, will have to deal with in the world.

Mar 28-May 2

Justice Mission

A look at how we as Christians need to respond to oppression and injustice around the world.

Family Connection

This semester we will have four Parent Seminars all geared toward helping you share the gospel with your child.

We will take four Sunday nights through the Spring of 2012 to begin to develop disciple-making parents at home through *Inheritance: Passing Down a Legacy of Faith to Our Children*.

I hope you you will join us for some much needed parent fellowship as well as some great teaching. The sessions will include video teaching, Scripture, practical helps as well as facilitated discussions.

The seminars will be on Sunday nights during the evening service from 6-7 p.m. in the Youth Rooms. Hope to see you there.



Parent Seminar

February 12
March 11
April 22
May 6

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY 2012						
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MAY 2012						
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- January 1 No Bible Study
- January 9 MNF: Juniors and Seniors
- January 27-29 Winter Weekend
- February 5 Game Day XLVI
- February 6 MNF: Freshman and Sophmores
- February 12 Parent Seminar: Inheritance
- February 17 The Rock and Worship Roadshow
- March 5 MNF: 7th& 8th Graders
- March 11 Parent Seminar: Inheritance
- March 18-22 Spring Break Mission Trip
- April 2 MNF: All Students @ Church
- April 22 Parent Seminar: Inheritance
- April 27 Girl's Night Out
- April 28 The Man Day
- May 6 Inheritance
- May 7 MNF: All students
- May 20 Graduation Sunday
- May 30 Celebrate Summer

SAVE THE DATE
 Global Youth Camp
 July 16-20, 2012