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Announcements for May 12, 2024

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun. 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service
 11:30 a.m. – Junior Fellowship

Wed. 6:30 a.m. – Elders' Prayer Meeting
 7:00 p.m. – South/East Small Group

Sun. 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

FREEDOM ASCENT & THE A.S

Barry & Desma A. have begun a Freedom Ascent outreach for the Baka community.

Freedom Ascent is a biblical, cross-cultural, and oral based group meeting for those struggling with addiction. The A.s have found that alcohol abuse is the greatest obstacle to growth and biblical leadership in their ministry context.

Between 14 to 20 people have consistently attended the first four meetings. They had anticipated the need to walk around the village, reminding and inviting people, but this proved unnecessary—they simply showed up! The gatherings take place every Monday evening for approximately two hours.

On the day of their third meeting, a severe thunderstorm struck most of the attendees while they were in their fields. They returned home cold and drenched, (an evening best spent near their cooking fires and retiring early), yet they came. Two participants even trekked half a mile through the mud in darkness, but they made it. And they arrived in even greater numbers than the week before!

Even so, the A.s write, “We are sad that some around us who desperately need the freedom God longs to give them are not yet willing to receive it. We continue to pray that they will reach the end of themselves and their fleshly efforts to find freedom and humbly turn to God.”

Please pray for the Baka and for the A.s as they seek to help people find freedom from addiction through Christ Jesus our Lord.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT NEEDED

Hired in September, 1990, Jean U. has ably served our fellowship as Administrative Assistant for the past 33+ years. Due to recent health issues, Jean has decided that the time has come for her to retire and we are currently beginning the process of finding her successor.

We also would like to honor Jean for her years of faithful service. If you have ideas, suggestions, or would like to participate in planning such an event, please speak to Rich M.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

...Cher B. who is healing from falling recently and is having difficulty getting in and out of bed and generally getting around in her home.

...Mark B. as he makes preparations for the Proclaim International trip to Poland.

...our search for an Administrative Assistant to succeed Jean U.

... our “in the field” missionaries: Barry & Desma A. (Cameroon), Andrew A. (London, England), Fawzy & Linda A. (Jordan), Mark & Caryl B. (Central Asia), John & Marilyn G. (Mission Aviation Fellowship), Anna K. (Ratio Christi @ UT), David & Susan P. (Nepal), Roland & Jinni S. (Canada), Andrew & Anne S. (Indonesia).

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Next Sunday, as we continue our study of the book of Matthew, our Scripture text will be Matthew chapter 27. Our speaker will be Rich M.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

Please make note of the following dates which are rapidly approaching:

Sunday, May 19 – Last Day of Sunday School
 Sunday, May 26 – Memorial Day Weekend
 (No Sunday School)
 Sunday, June 2 – Summer Fellowship ½ Hour
 begins from 9:50 – 10:20 a.m.
 Sunday, June 2 – Congregational Sharing &
 Communion

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

This Sunday's volunteers are Carissa D. and Keegan W. Next week, Anita B. and Janie R. will be caring for our little ones. Thank you for serving the youngest among us!

BIRTHDAYS IN OUR MIDST

The following members of our church family, near and far, are celebrating birthdays This week. We wish each a “Happy Birthday!”

May 13	Pat A.
May 15	Anne S.
May 18	Paul B.

If somehow we missed your birthday, please call the church office (865-525-7413) so that we don't miss it again!

“OUR DAILY BREAD” DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Complimentary copies of the devotional guide “Our Daily Bread” for the months of JUN-JUL-AUG are available this morning in the entry foyer Information Center. Be sure to pick up your copy today!

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a special need and would like the elders to pray for you, please write your request on one of the Prayer Request slips that are available on the window sills and place it in the offering box. The elders will pray for you at their Wednesday morning prayer meeting.