"Growing & working together to love God, love each other and spread the Gospel."

COUNTRY FAITH CHURCH SPRING NEWSLETTER

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Pastor's Heart - Pastor Jim Binder

Out of the blue he appears, Elijah the Tishbite. We first see him mentioned in 1 Kings 17:1 where he stands up to the wicked King Ahab, declares a drought (due to idolatry in the land and Ahab's role in it) and then, as the Lord instructs him (v.2-4) disappears from public sight to the "Brook Cherith". We are told he stayed there till the brook dried up but are not told how long that took. It was probably quite a while.

What was Gods purpose in His directive to Elijah? The Brook Cherith was in the wilderness and though we might not know the whole purpose of God in this we are reminded that God often asks this of his people to prepare them for more of His work. We see it in Moses, David, Paul and even Jesus.

In Elijah's case, the Brook Cherith is where God did a deep work in his heart. I would daresay that it was a place where he learned to be quiet before the Lord, how to meditate on God's Word and not only to listen to Him but learn to depend on Him. I believe we all need a Brook Cherith! It is where we learn to be alone with God. Where we sit and just talk to our Lord and more importantly, we listen to Him. It is where we are prompted to literally ponder the deep questions about our relationship with God. What do I really desire in life? What does God expect of me? Am I really loving the God that I cannot control? Do I trust Him? Do I feel loved by Him? What do I want my life to stand for?

Folks, these questions need to be wrestled with and answered by all of us!

My problem (and I don't think I am alone in this) is that my flesh literally begrudges the time that it takes to do this. This time consuming lifestyle of ours SO "flies in the face" of our culture and our habits.

Let me ask you: What is the first thing you do in the morning? Do you grab your phone and check to see if you have any texts or e-mails? How about Face book? Twitter, Or any other social media thing that is popular now? Do you open your computer before you open up Gods Word?

Elijah goes on in life to be used greatly by the Lord and the "showdown" on Mount Carmel in Chapter 18 is proof of it but his time at Brook Cherith preceded all of that. It prepared him for it but it took TIME. Do you have a Brook Cherith? It can be a chair in your house, a place in the woods, a porch, a room or just a place for a quiet walk. A Brook Cherith is essential for spiritual formation and maturity. I know how true this is in my own life. The Brook Cherith is a drastic change from what we see around us so often but it safeguards our

Sunday Service Times:

<u>Sunday School:</u> 9:00am <u>Worship Service:</u> 10:00am <u>Kids Worship:</u> 10:00am (See pg. 17) <u>Youth:</u> 7:00pm (check website, facebook or the back page for a detailed schedule) 218-776-3367 cfchurch@gvtel.com <u>www.countryfaith.org</u> (see what's happening at CFC & listen to sermons) Find us on Facebook now too

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hearts from the idolatry that we also see around us. It is there we are guarded from the noise and demands of a hectic ungodly world. If you don't have a Brook Cherith, find one, NOW!

Do you have a Brook Cherith that you visit frequently, regularly and that you are even hesitant to leave when its time? We all need one and it does not matter how small or weak we may feel but it DOES matter what God does in our hearts there. God has put us in this world, in this season and even though we may be surrounded by worldly idolatry, we are called to point others to the One God, who is the only source of true life. Ups and downs, successes and failures are all a part of life down here but God wants us to know His blessings, hear His voice and enter into His rest. Your own personal Brook Cherith is where it is found!

Blended & Blessed Conference

Country Faith Church will be hosting FamilyLife's Blended & Blessed on Saturday, April 27th from 8:00-3:30pm. It is a livestream event with sessions by some of todays most trusted and respected experts. Blended & Blessed will challenge, inspire, and encourage you! You won't want to miss this incredible day of teaching, music, and humor.

This livestream event is for stepfamily couples, single parents, dating couples with kids, and those who care about blended families.

Event Details:

- Register by Friday, April 12th
- Childcare is available free of charge thru 2nd grade for those registered
- Cost is \$15/person
- Lunch provided

More information about the conference can be found at <u>www.blendedandblessed.com/</u> or in the brochure (found at the information center)

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Please turn in registration & payment **by Friday, April 12th** to Country Faith Church PO Box 41 Clearbrook, MN 56634

Or Register & pay at www.countryfaith.org

> Any questions? Please call CFC at 218-776-3367

> > Thank you!



Good Friday Service

Friday, April 19th

7:00pm at First Baptist Church

Our very own, Pastor Nathan Nordlund will be the speaker at this event.

Easter Sunday - April 21st

Join us on Easter Sunday, April 21st to celebrate our Risen Lord! We will start the morning with an Easter Brunch. Brunch will be served from 8:45am to 9:45am. <u>This year's brunch will</u> be a fundraiser for the mission's team for their trip to Mexico.

After the brunch, worship service starts at 10:00am in the sanctuary. The service will last about an hour, so there will only be nursery provided during sermon time.

Please, only nursery age kids in nursery. (babies to age 3)

There will be NO JR. CHURCH this morning so the preschool and elementary kids can be with their families during the service.

Come join us, & invite your friends and family as we join together to celebrate & praise our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ! Any questions, please call or e-mail the church.

Exciting Things Happenings with Women's Ministry

About a year ago the Women's Ministry (WM) leadership team expanded from Karleen Dahlberg and Stacy Nordlund to include Jill Nelson, Lisa Peldo, Charis Nordlund, and Adele Graser. Shortly after that we started the process of putting together our vision for WM and our strategy for achieving that vision.

I am excited to announce that, after almost a year, our strategic planning is now complete! It encompasses a lot of what WM has already been doing so you may not see a lot of changes right away. However, it has allowed us to identify things we could improve and put together some goals for this year.



One thing we are very excited about is now that we have goals identified we also have specific needs identified which makes it a lot easier to get more women involved in what we are doing! We are so thankful for all the women who have served in many capacities over the last few years and know that WM would not have been able to accomplish so much without your faithful service. However, we have also had other women contact us wanting to be more involved and we haven't been able to easily provide them with a list of where we could use help. The more women involved the more impact we can have, so we are excited to make that process easier!

We are currently finalizing some details and then we plan to communicate our vision and needs early this spring with a kickoff event. A quick teaser: our vision includes things like experiencing God, building relationships, serving, and fulfilling our kingdom purpose. If any of those topics get you excited, you are interested in being more involved, or you are excited just at the thought of change, please reach out to one of us on the leadership team. We would love to share our vision with you!

Adele Graser

"Experiencing God at the Quiet Retreat"

After traveling with my husband David for five weeks from Minnesota, South Carolina, Texas and places in between, I was ready for quiet and a retreat! By God's grace, I arrived home just in time to take part in a **Quiet Retreat**. Six ladies gathered one Saturday at the church as Charis Nordlund led us in anointed worship and Sue Hoiland shared with us how she has learned to listen for God and then journal what He impresses on her heart. A quiet, private place, complete with a comfy chair and lamp, had been created for each of us in the church. The little nook where we keep our ladies Bible study materials seemed to have my name on it, so I settled down to listen.

What happened in that little quiet place? Well let me tell you! I had been reading the book of John in my devotions, so I decided to start with John 15. Some verses stood out to me. Jesus said "He was sending the Holy Spirit to us and He would declare to us things from Jesus and the Father." He went on to say in verse 24, "Ask and you will receive that your joy may be full." Then in verse 27 Jesus declares, "The Father himself loves you." These verses were setting the stage for "*my quiet place."*

We were encouraged to ask ourselves "What's on my heart?" As I asked myself that question, this is what I wrote down. "God, I do believe you want to declare to me your heart, your purposes for me. Today Lord I have fears about David's thyroid cancer returning due to his current voice issues with coughing and hoarseness, similar to what he had in the beginning of his cancer journey. Oh Father you know me and you love me. You chose me and you will not abandon me."

The following step was to listen for God's voice to us. I did not hear an audible voice but I began to journal what God was impressing upon me, "Karleen, Karleen, Karleen...Look at my grace for today. You are blessed. You have Me, your Father taking care of you today and yesterday. I have been faithful to you. I have taken very good care of you. You are 74 and doing well! I have told you before, focus on today not tomorrow. Today is good! Right?"

My response, "Yes Lord, it is good. I'm here at church. I'm here listening to you. It is amazingly good!"

My Father continued, "You know I have tomorrow taken care of. I have plans for tomorrow and the next days. I will walk

Women's Ministry (Cont.)

through those days with you, directing your paths. You will have amazing grace for each tomorrow. But today focus on my goodness. It is good. It is good. My grace will be good tomorrow and for each subsequent day for the rest of your life. Do you believe that?" "Yes I do!" I responded. The Father continued to me, "Well then we are good. Right?" "Yes," I replied, "we are, I am blessed. Thank you, Father for speaking to me, to my fears and for comforting me."

Sue had asked us earlier what it would look like if we were conversing with God. As a picture came to my mind, I resisted it at first. I am a full blooded frozen chosen Scandinavian! I am not a hugger and really don't want people too close to my bubble! But my encounter with God, as I saw it in my mind, was just what I needed. My heavenly Father was sitting in a big brown comfortable chair with me as a young girl sitting on His lap. I was looking at my Father (even though I did not see Him face to face) and conversing with Him. His right hand was placed on my left hand and He was patting it saying, "It's ok Karleen. I've got it. I've got David. You will both be ok. Don't worry. Empty your worry circle because we have talked. Now just trust and thank me." "Thank you, Father. You've got it!!!!" I gladly responded.

I left the church that afternoon with a heart full of peace, thankfulness, joy and worship. I went to church the next day and Miles had a word from the Lord which I believe was for me. He said, "God wants to bring back innocence that was lost. God wants to restore childlike faith." God had done that for me the day before! God, my Father, continues to speak to me. He impressed me with the words, "GRACE TODAY". They remind me to focus on the grace God is giving me today, knowing I will also have future grace for each day that comes. I remember I am blessed today! I am good today! I'm ok today! All because God patted my hand and spoke to me in my *Quiet Place*. Each time now as I face something stressful, I pat my left hand, as God did for me, and remind myself He has this and I have His amazing grace right now. He is speaking to me each morning as I wake up reminding me of a song Charis taught us at the *Quiet Retreat*. I repeat the words as I awaken. "Make me your vessel, Make me an offering, Make me whatever you want me to be," from the song, <u>New Wine by Hillsong</u>.

["] Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Hebrews 4:16 NASB

Women's Ministry - Event



Sunday School Schedule

We are entering our LAST quarter of Sunday School...can you believe it?? Sunday School is held Sunday mornings before our worship service from 9:00am to 9:45am for everyone, no matter if you are age 1 or 101!!

Current & Upcoming Adult Classes:

"Making Your Case for Christ"

February 24th - March 31st

Author: Lee Strobel & Mark Mittelberg - 6 Week Video Series Making Your Case for Christ is designed to help Christians, both young and old, understand and articulate the message of Christ along with evidence that backs



up his claims and credentials. The training course will combine high points of the historical apologetics presented in The Case for Christ book and movie with specific evangelistic training related to this information.

Those attending will discover how to:

- Help their unsaved friends and family members open up to consider the case for Christ
- Describe their own personal journey with Christ and how it has impacted them
- Share with confidence about the biblical record of Christ-that Jesus was real
- Present the evidence for the resurrection of Christ-that Jesus died and was raised to life
- Explain the central message of Christ in an authentic and compelling way
- Help their unsaved friends and family members respond to the truth of Jesus.

Fellowship Sunday - April 7th

Join us for a time of coffee, fellowship, and snacks before we kick off our next study in adult Sunday

School. Adriana Churness will be sharing regarding her upcoming missions trip adventure with The World Race. **Parents, all other Sunday school classes will occur as normal so please have your children report to their Sunday School classrooms during this time. Thank you.

2 Tracks Offered

April 14th - May 19th (Except Easter (April 21st)

TRACK ONE: "Cultures in Conflict" by Ray VanderLaan

5 Week Video Series

(NO Sunday School on April 21st due to Easter) Leader: Heidi Syverson

LIFE AMONG PAGANS. How do you live in a culture where the worldview conflicts with Christianity? Learn from Paul as he presents his beliefs to the most powerful court in Athens and settles among the Greco-Romans of Corinth, who valued wealth and class, worship of multiple gods, and decadent pleasure seeking above all else. In this sixteenth volume of *That The World May Know*®, discover how to live in your own Athens or Corinth– a dechristianized Western world–in a way that glorifies God.

TRACK TWO: The DNA of Country Faith Church

4 Week Series

Leaders: Pastor Nathan Nordlund & Pastor Larry Dorman

Have you ever wondered what exactly makes Country Faith Church who we are? What are our foundational beliefs? Why do we do things the way we do? What is our mission and purpose? This four week study is a great opportunity to dive into these questions and others. "Newcomers" and anyone who just wants to gain a better understanding behind the heart of CFC is welcomed and encouraged to join this 4 week discussion.

<u>NO SUNDAY SCHOOL:</u> Sunday, April 21st (due to Easter) <u>LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL:</u> Sunday, May 19th

Sunday School Schedule (cont)

(Sunday School breaks for the summer, and will start again September 8th, the Sunday after Labor Day)

If you haven't been attending Sunday School, I highly encourage you to consider coming these last few weeks. The teachings are challenging, and the teachers are awesome...no matter what age you are!

Summer Church Service Schedule – Starts May 26th

With summer just around the corner, we wanted to give you the schedule now as you are planning ahead.

- Church service will start at 10:00am, NO Sunday school during the summer months.
- Jr Church classes & Nursery are offered every Sunday through 4th grade, 5 & 6 grades have Jr church on the second Sunday of the month. They will be released to attend their classes after worship in the Sanctuary.
- Kid's Worship for 1-6 grade is offered on the <u>1st Sunday</u> of the month during the Summer- please see the Kids Worship newsletter article for more information on the summer schedule for Kid's Worship.

Mark your calendars with these dates...summer will be here before we know it!

Men's Ministry



TrueBridge Northern Hub Men's Conference 2019

Friday, March 29th (5:30pm) - Saturday, March 30th (3:15pm) at Hampton Inn & Suites, Bemidji

Details:

*Register by Sunday, March 17th Cost is only \$25 for the conference, Hotel cost is separate (on your own)

*Contact Hampton Inn for reservations 218-751-3600. (Reference TrueBridge Men's Conference for discount) *Forty rooms will be blocked off at a reduced rate of \$99 (+tax) for Friday night. * First 30 rooms booked will be further reduced by \$50 on first come-first serve basis.

*Discounts & block of rooms expire

Thursday, March 7th, please book your rooms prior to this date.Check out the brochure for more information and to register

A group of faithful men meet EVERY Tuesday morning throughout the year at 6:30am for prayer. All men are welcome to attend for as long as you're able that day before heading to work or wherever you need to go.



Sunday, May 19th Happenings

A day filled with Important Milestones and fun for people of all ages!

Sunday, May 19th will be a day filled with some very special milestones and fun for people of all ages. On this day, there will be:

- The last day of Sunday School (until next fall)
- A recognition of all teachers who've helped teach God's Word this year
- "New" 1st graders will receive their own Bible
- "New" 7th graders will be welcomed into the youth ministry
- Graduating 12th graders/seniors will be recognized
- AND...we end our morning together with an All Church Picnic!

THE LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL (UNTIL NEXT FALL)

Our Sunday school classes offered from 9:00-9:45am for nursery age kids through adults will have their final class this morning.



A RECOGNITION OF ALL TEACHERS WHO'VE HELPED TEACH GOD'S WORD THIS YEAR

From serving in the nursery to teaching adult Sunday School, it takes MANY who are willing to be used by God to share His truths, empowering & teaching all us. We appreciate each person's willingness to use their gifts, and want to

acknowledge the great job they've done this year.

"NEW" 1ST GRADERS WILL RECEIVE THEIR OWN BIBLE

As the current Kindergarteners are continuing to learn how to read & getting ready to move into 1st grade next fall, the Children's Ministry wants to give them each their own Bible~ the *best* book they will ever read!

"NEW" $7^{\rm TH}$ GRADERS WILL BE WELCOMED INTO THE YOUTH MINISTRY

We will present the new 7th graders bibles! We also will be praying over them and officially welcoming them into youth.

GRADUATING 12TH GRADERS/SENIORS WILL BE RECOGNIZED

We want to recognize the seniors as they enter into a new season of life! There will be a slideshow honoring them followed by a time of prayer over them.





Sunday, May 19th Happenings



ALL CHURCH PICNIC

As a way to celebrate the arrival of summer & the closing of another blessed Sunday School year together, we will have an all church picnic immediately after the church service this day. The main meat/ sandwich and beverages will be provided, with each family bringing a side dish or dessert to share. This will take place outside on the church lawn (weather permitting) so families should also bring their favorite lawn chairs or blanket to use for the meal! (we will be inside

if weather doesn't cooperate!) If you have any favorite lawn games to share, please consider bringing them as well~ the volleyball & basketball courts will be available, and playground for the youngest kids. It's a great time to enjoy some fun & fellowship together as a church family, celebrating God's goodness together!

Chaplaincy Article

Doing the Small Things: Extra duty Touches Soldiers' Hearts

By Chaplain John Hatfield, Rhode Island Army National Guard

"For who hath despised the day of small things?" (Zechariah 4:10)



A day of "small things" was a blessing to my soul last quarter. I was asked to provide support for a MP* memorial ceremony on

Veterans Day. The ceremony was modest and those in attendance were few. The morning was cold and if you happened to be watching from afar, nothing about this gathering would have gotten your attention. Events like these are often seen as unimportant and "small" – even by those in ministry.

Yet, three things happened on that cold morning that made this day of "small things" a blessing. First, I was able to pray and minister to current soldiers in the unit as well as several retired MP's. All who seemed very happy to see a Chaplain. Second, I was able to speak of the Lord to many who rarely (if ever) have contact with a Christian or a Chaplain. Third, I was able to thank them for their service and show appreciation to those who serve and have served in this special branch. It was a blessing to listen to their stories and establish new relationships. These opportunities made a day of small things a great blessing to my soul.

For more stories by and about CBAmerica chaplains, military and civilian, go to www.cbamerica.org/chaplaincy.

Kid's Worship Schedule

Before we know it our Sunday school season will be winding down until next fall, with that our Kid's Worship schedule will also change for the summer months. **Please take notes of the dates below for our summer Kid's Worship schedule**. Please note the dates may be subject to change but we will notify in advance if the need arises, we will also send out reminders prior to our summer Kid's worship dates.

May 5th will be our last date of "regular" kid's worship for spring/ summer!

Mother's day lands on May 12th and we would like families to be together in the Sanctuary for worship to honor all Moms'! May 19th families will be together in the sanctuary for worship as we will be celebrating and honoring some special groups. Please check the newsletter further for details regarding events taking place May 19th!

Summer Kid's Worship Schedule:

All 1st-6th grade welcome!!

| June 2 nd : | Kid's Worship | (Room #4) |
|--------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| July 7 th : | Kid's Worship | (Room #4) |
| August 4 th : | Kid's Worship | (Room #4) |

Any questions regarding Kid's Worship please get in touch with me! Psalm 95:6 "*Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our maker!*" God is With Us,

Nicky Ubert (Children's Minister)

Time to Refresh our Background Checks

With our upcoming camp season we will begin refreshing background studies on all adults assisting at camp. This will likely also apply to youth volunteers over a certain age at kid's camp. We will also begin refreshing background checks on all volunteers who assist in Youth or Children's ministry.

Our background studies are good for 2 years so anyone who has a study expiring will receive an email notification or personal contact, from either Brad Binder of Nicky Ubert, to submit a new background check. Background checks take place electronically to simplify the process.

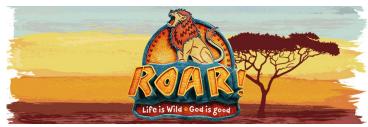
Why do we run background checks? This is no way indicates a current problem it simply is a vital piece that should be in place for everyone's well-being and protection. Our desire is to promote an atmosphere of safety and transparency to all those who use our programs. However, this doesn't replace the personal connections and relationships with those that serve or desire to serve in our programs.

If you have any questions please contact one of us.

Pastor Brad Binder Nicky Ubert (Children's Minister)

ROAR: Kindergarten - 3rd Grade Day Camp

Mark your calendar now!! We are excited to offer a Kindergarten -3rd grade day camp again. This year's theme is "ROAR"! We will "*explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life*". Our day camp will be held Monday, July 29th & 30th at Country Faith Church. The day will be filled with truth filled ses-



sions; awesome worship, fun games, creative crafts, tasty food, and an outing to the Clearbrook pool (if available).

Detailed Information will come out early June! It takes a lot of hands to coordinate this event and many ways to help so if interested in being involved please get in touch with Nicky Ubert.

Compassion Sponsor Update - Mordi

Compassion Sponsor update!

How awesome is this... the first picture we ever received of Mordecai (Mordi) Ahiabor and the most current picture received. He is now a young man on the verge of turning 18!

Mordi has been in our program since August of 2007 which means the kids of Country Faith have been sponsoring him with their tithes for 12 years! The monthly requirement is \$35.00 dollars and twice a year we try to bless Mordi and his family with an extra contribution . The sponsorship and blessings help to cover schooling, medical, personal care items, and food expenses. Mordi can continue to be part of the program likely until his 23 birthday.

In his letters he continues to ask for prayers for his school exams and that he can achieve the goals he has for his life. He is very grateful for the constant show of love, care, and support. He prays blessings on those that are sponsoring him.

If all the Kids in the Children's ministry program contributed \$1.00 a month we would be able to Bless Mordi above and beyond OR we could consider adding a second child to sponsor! It doesn't take much to make a HUGE difference . *Please help us by reminding your kids to bring their tithes to class*!

If you have any additional questions please feel free to ask! Thanks, Nicky Ubert





Children's Ministry Current Curriulum

Spring Semester March - May 2019

Sunday School

9:00-9:45am

3's-4's & 5K One Accord Heart Shaper Curriculum

Jesus is Powerful Jesus, God's Son The Church Follows Jesus

1st & 2nd Grades

Radiant Life Primary Curriculum

Judges of God's People Jesus, Our Savior Joshua Leads God's People

3rd & 4th Grades

One Accord Heart Shaper

Jesus' Later Ministry Jesus' Last Days on Earth The Early Days of the Church

> **5th & 6th Grades** One Accord Heart Shaper

Prayer Basic Christian Beliefs Accepting God's Gift Where is God When it Hurts

Junior Church

3's-4's Hand's on Bible Curriculum

Jesus' Death & Resurrection Jesus Appears to His Followers The Church

5K

Hand's on Bible Curriculum

The Easter Story Jesus Helps Us Follow Him Peter Serves

> **1st - 2nd Grades** Lessons From the Parables

Study of the Parables

High Voltage Curriculums

24 - A Journey through the Last 24 hours of Jesus' Life

3rd - 4th Grades <u>High Voltage Curriculums</u>

24 - A Journey through the Last 24 hours of Jesus' Life.

New Normal - Ephesians Chap 4-6 a look at what "normal" should look like for a Christian

> 5th & 6th Grades Group Publishing

Lessons about God for preteens Foundational truths of the Christian Faith

PARENT TIP:

You can access all take home parent pages sorted by grade and curriculum for all of our Sunday school and Jr Church classrooms using the link below. Sunday mornings can get busy and it is easy to overlook handing these out in the classrooms OR our kiddo's forget to hand them to their parents. We hope this little piece will help you stay connected at home with what our children are studying in their classrooms. If at any time you have questions or difficulty accessing the folder please contact us at church. https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B6lo0NAchtrETE9JO0IzO2OtO2c?usp=sharing

MADE 4 THIS!!! Kids' Camp 2019 July 11th- 13th

It's time to talk camp and I'm already super excited about Kids' Camp 2019 and for the Kid's and volunteers that will be joining me!! The process of planning and preparing for camp takes months and it will be here before we know it- so time to share the basics of camp.



What is Kids Camp? A 3 day, 2 night stay at Camp Dellwater (20 miles NE of Clearbrook) - where kids get to, most importantly, focus on the Lord while forging unforgettable memories and hopefully lifelong friendships.

Who is it for? Kids going into 4-6 grade. *Please note if you are a new 7th grader you may still attend Kids Camp but you also have the option to attend Youth camp- choose one or both, it's your call! Don't forget to invite a FRIEND!*

Registrations forms will be out mid- April and will be placed in your church mailbox. We will have extras available at the information center for the friend you invite! <u>*Registration forms will include information on*</u> <u>cost and deadlines to register your child.</u>

Camp Scholarships:

CFC Member Scholarship (applies to those who attend CFC who have more than 1 camper):

- Receive \$30 off camper registration cost for a 2nd, 3rd... camper after 1 full paying camper registration received. <u>THIS APPLIES TO KIDS CAMP ONLY</u>!
- This applies to immediate family members <u>attending CFC</u> (not cousins, grandkids...).

Individual Full or Partial Scholarships: (available to any camper)

• We want EVERY child to be able to attend camp, so if you are in need of help or know of someone who does, please talk with me now. Also, if someone feels led to scholarship a child or give towards kid's camp please talk with me- there is always a need and it is such an important event for the kids.

Adult & Teen Volunteers:

• It takes <u>many</u> willing hands and hearts to pull together a camp for these amazing kids! If you at all feel called to serve at Kid's Camp 2019 and wonder where and how I can best serve them; *talk with someone from the camp planning team- Cindy Wishard, Dacia Olson, or Nicky Ubert* and we can help you find a way to plug in!

Everyone- please join us in praying for this event!

• Specific needs to pray for: the dates of our camp July 11th-13th, the campers that will be attending and the adults/teens that will be serving. Also, for the planning and preparing process as we are in that stage specifically for God's purposes and direction to be heard and followed above all.

Kids' Camp (cont.)

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 776-3367 or childrensminitry@countryfaith.org

God is with us, Nicky Ubert

Camp Scholarship dollars and how they work!

83 kids attended Kid's Camp in 2018 and scholarships were given to 28 kids attending!

| • | 12 Volunteers received 1/2 Scholarships for their kids attending totaling | \$475.00 |
|---|---|----------|
| • | 5 Kids received full Scholarships totaling | \$475.00 |
| • | 3 Received second/third child scholarships totaling | \$90.00 |
| • | 8 Received Partial scholarships totaling | \$377.00 |

Total Kid's Camp Scholarship dollars given out in 2018 = \$1417.00

Your scholarship help is greatly needed and appreciated! These numbers can fluctuate each year but consistently we have been averaging nearly \$1500.00 in scholarships given out. Your donations make a difference in blessing families with multiple children attending, volunteers who give of their time and have children attending, those experiencing hardships, and those who could benefit from a scholarship blessing.

Camp scholarships benefit both Youth and Kids' Camp! Camp is a wonderful opportunity for our kids and teens to grow and be challenged in their faith alongside their peer group. If you are interested in donating to either program for the purpose of scholarships please talk with Brad Binder or Nicky Ubert.

THE WAY FESTIVAL

The Way Festival – Save the date – Saturday, September 14th

The Way Festival is moving to a new Location for 2019! Save the date and plan to join the fun Saturday, September 14th at the **Bagley park grounds**. The day will be filled with fellowship, food, music throughout, outdoor movie in the park, and a large variety of inflatable games for all ages that are willing to brave it...plus more!! **This is a FREE communities wide event that is Christ-centered and family friendly**! We hope you will come be a part of the day and share God's love with others!

More specific information will be coming out soon!

Want to know how you can help? Talk with someone from the planning team: Nathan Nordlund, Brad Binder, Nicky Ubert, Cindy Wishard, or Andy Ubert.







Youth - Sunday Nights

| March | 3rd |
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| March | 10th |
| March | 17th |
| March | 24th |
| March | 31st |

April 7th April 14th April 21st April 28th No Youth Night Youth Night Youth Night No Youth Night Youth Night Youth Night

Youth Night No Youth Night Youth Night May 5th May 12th May 19th May 26th Youth Night No Youth Night Youth Night No Youth Night

As always: Invite your friends, All are welcome!

Check the Facebook page (Elevate Youth Group) or the church website for up to date youth nights. **For Teens 7th - 12th Grade**