

Golf Tournament June 8, 2009

Great news! The Life Bridge 9th Annual Golf Tournament is set to take place on Monday, June 8. Registration is in the early morning, teeing off at 9 AM at the Province Lake Golf Club.

We are excited to announce that a generous donor has stepped forward to offer a matching gift for all proceeds made that day. **Your dollar means a match of 50 cents!** This match applies to players fees, donations designated for "Golf", and hole sponsorships.

Sign up today in the atrium or online @ www.lifebridgementoring.org by clicking the "Golf Tournament" tab or by calling us at (603) 569-6330.

THANK YOU!

Life Bridge Yard Sale

Thank you for donating items or buying things yesterday at the Life Bridge yard sale! We had a great time!

Purpose: All proceeds will be used for scholarships to help send an unchurched teen to the Life Bridge summer camp for a great week of fun, relationship building, and most importantly an opportunity to hear the gospel.

Questions? Call Sandy Stevens
539-7259 (H); 539-4788 (W)

LOOKING FOR TOOLS!

Boys' Brigade is looking for all sorts of tools and related items to help our boys do projects and learn important skills for life! If you can donate anything from the following list, we would be so grateful: **Hammers, screwdrivers, jr. hacksaws, small saws, tape measures, levels, drills & bits, toolboxes, heavy duty ext. cords, nails of all sizes, rulers.** These can be left in a bin downstairs in the Children's Welcome Lobby or given to Sandy Stanard or Sabina Robbins. Also, if you have any pieces of wood that you would be willing to let us have, call either Sandy (569-6499) or Sabina (323-7068).

Women To Women is a weekly Bible Study held at Carroll County Correctional Facility. We use Greeting Cards as a tool to facilitate 'chatting' and getting to know one another. We are in need of **All Occasion and Blank** cards. No holiday cards are needed at this time. Please place these in the Women to Women mailbox or drop at the Welcome Desk.
Attention: Patricia Johnson. Thank You.

Thanks to all who helped on our **annual all-church landscaping day** Saturday May 16th. Fifteen brave souls joined **Jim Farmer**, including **Pastor Dan Mitchum**. Also thanks to those who helped **Barry Hutchinson** plant flowers Thursday May 21st.

Check out Sunday messages, the church calendar, and ministry information and updates at our website:

www.firstossipee.org

CDs of the messages are available in the atrium for a suggested donation.

NEWS FOCUS: Missions

Greetings from Kevin & Krista Rideout

The time has come! Thursday afternoon (May 14th) we begin the trip back to Niger for our next term. We'll fly from Boston to New York and then leave New York at 8 pm for Casablanca. We have a 13 hour layover in Casablanca on Friday before continuing on to Niger Friday night. Our teammates in Niger will have the fun of picking us up at the airport in Niamey at 2 am Saturday morning (still Friday night here in the North America). We're excited to return and dive back into the work in Niger. Pray that the kids will travel well and that all of our bags would arrive safely without a problem.

We're back to having \$540/month more to go to reach our support goal. We're returning to Niger on a "plan B" budget for now, but we're confident the Lord will supply for all of our needs. We know many of you are operating on plan B budgets as well. Thank you for your faithful prayers and generous gifts even during these times. We really appreciate you!

Another Josh McDowell

A note from *Ward Coleman*

Last month we ministered with Josh in Galveston, TX when he spoke at the Association of Christian Schools International. Each time after Josh addressed the 1,000 teachers and administrators, we worked at the resource center, helping attendees find books and materials to aid in their teaching.

I (Joan) met a woman named Jan who provides curriculum for teaching Texas history from a Christian perspective. When she saw my name tag showing that I work with Josh McDowell, she said excitedly, "Have I got a story for you!!"

She related that recently she substituted at the secular school in her small Texas town. Part of her duties included supervising ISS (In School Suspension) -- an assignment she did not relish since these students often included trouble makers.

As she began her ISS duty, Jan noticed one name in particular--*Josh McDowell*. Jan told Josh that she knew of another Josh McDowell, a Christian author and speaker. She suggested that he use the ISS time to go on computer and check out this guy.

Josh, the student, immediately began reading about Josh, his life and ministry and spent the entire ISS on the web site. Afterwards, he said to Jan, "That was really great."

The night before this occurred, members of Jan's church had walked the halls of this school, praying for these students and asking the Lord for opportunities to share the Gospel with them.

After I heard this, I took a copy of *More Than a Carpenter* to our Josh and related the details, asking him to sign the book. Josh gladly agreed, and I then presented it to Jan who said she would personally give it to the student Josh.

Last week I called Jan. She said that she substituted again at the high school the next week and went to the office to get permission to give the book to Josh. Remember, this is a public high school, and she wanted to be completely upfront that this is a Christian book.

Permission granted, Jan began to leave the office. A computer teacher overheard her conversation and said, "I used Josh McDowell materials in my Sunday school class, and they are excellent. I know this student Josh, and he really needs to read that book."

Jan presented Josh the book as he was finishing his English class. She told him that the author personally wanted him to have this book and that he had signed it from one Josh to another. We ask for your prayers that God will touch his heart as he reads the book and that this young student will put his faith and trust in Jesus.

Dan Mitchum
Lead Pastor

David Kemper
Associate Pastor

Tim Tennent
Interim Preaching Pastor

Lee Cone
Visitation Pastor

Mike Moore
Dir. of Operations

First Congregational Church of Ossipee

May 24, 2009



WELCOME!

Thank You for Joining Us!

TODAY: Two Worship Services at 9:00 and 10:30 AM

Tim Tennent will be speaking on *The Sought Seeker is Found* from Luke 19:1-10.

SUNDAY MORNINGS		
WORSHIP	9:00 AM SERVICE	10:30 AM SERVICE
CHILDREN	Early Childhood/K <i>KidZone</i> @ ~9:20 AM	Early Childhood/K <i>Great Adventure</i> Club 56
STUDENTS		<i>CORE</i> Rm D & Parish Hall
ADULTS	<i>Koinonia AF</i> Rm C/D <i>Faith 2 Faith AF</i> Rm A/B	<i>Common Ground AF</i> Rm A/B <i>The Journey</i> Rm C

SUNDAY EVENINGS

Sojourners Young Adults at 6:30 PM in the FLC, or see Katie Johnson.

We are happy to announce Pastor Dan Mitchum as the new Lead Pastor of the First Congregational Church of Ossipee. At a special business meeting held on April 19th following the worship services, the church voted overwhelmingly to call Pastor Mitchum to this church. His calling brings to a close a two year interim period and a twelve month search for a Lead Pastor. **Dan started with us in the office May 12 and will preach starting May 31st.**

Paul Dorian Youth Award

Our Boys' Brigade program honors its second recipient of the Paul Dorian Award today for "Exemplifying Christian Character and Commitment." Our Boys' Brigade is our local chapter of Christian Service Brigade.

Car Wash TODAY

Get your car washed and help a student attend summer camp or Student Ministry activities this year. All proceeds go towards student events and summer camp.

50 Route 16B, Center Ossipee, NH 03814 603-539-6003

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Programs are offered during the 9:00 & 10:30AM service.

9:00 Service time: Grades 1-6 are dismissed before the offertory for *KidZone*.

10:30 Service time: *Great Adventure* for Grades 1-4. *Club 56* for Grades 5 & 6. Both begin at 10:30.

Early Childhood/K programs are offered from the beginning of both

Summer Caregivers Needed

Sign up in the downstairs lobby to serve 2 Sundays in a child care slot this summer. Much help needed.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



VBS 2009

July 13-17

Mark your calendars now!

If you want your favorite volunteer position, call Cindy at 539-6003.

Also, Decorating Team now forming!

Needed for VBS

130 empty and clean tin cans; prefer the 28 oz tomato can, but 19 oz Progresso or yam type cans are good too

Camp Scholarships

Camp Sentinel is offering four(4) half scholarships for camp this summer for kids who have never attended Camp Sentinel. This is a great opportunity to attend an awesome Christian camp. Anyone interested please let Sandy at 539-6003 ext 22, know as soon as possible. There are camp brochures at the Children's Welcome Desk.

Student Ministry Summer Camp 2009

Senior High Moose River Outpost, Jackman, ME
June 21st - 26th The cost for a student to attend is \$365.00.

Jr. High Summer Campton State Campground, N. Woodstock, NH
June 19th - 21st The cost for a student to attend is \$40.00.

For more information please visit the FCCO website and click on Student.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Sundays 10:15-11:30 AM Core

Jr High Room D

Sr High Parish Hall

Wednesdays Youth Group

5:45-7:45—*Synthesis*—Sr High
@ Youth Center

6:30-8:00—*Fusion*—Jr High
@ Parish Hall

FINANCES

Operating Fund Income:

Contributions: May 17: 16,046

Average Weekly need: 20,317

(+/-) Net May 17: -4,271

GENERAL INFORMATION



Dinner Bell

May 30, 5:00-5:30pm

Chef's Choice

Harry Place

Special Update

The Lord challenged us as a church this week to continue Dinner Bell through the summer. A team is forming to plan and prepare home-cooked meals, plus set up and clean up our dining room each week. We're regularly serving 80 to 100 meals each Saturday and need help this summer to continue this important outreach ministry to our community. Please contact Harry Place at 662-5110 to volunteer. Please also consider making a special gift to help us cover the additional costs of the food.

Graduates

If your child graduates this spring from high school or college, please send their name and pertinent info to the church office so we can recognize them. Pertinent info may include date, school, and focus/degree.

Baby Bottles

Baby bottles are still available for the **CareNet Pregnancy Center** fund raising drive. Please fill them up with loose change and return them on Father's Day, June 21st.

ADULT MINISTRY

REMINDER

Raising a Modern Day Knight continues on Wednesday nights through June 10th. Sr & Jr High programs continue through the summer.

CHURCH FAMILY CONCERNS

ADOPTION:

Donna and Harry Chick are proud to announce the adoption of their eighth and ninth children.

Nathanael Isaiah Chick (known as Nathan) was adopted March 20, 2009.



Christian Michael Chick was adopted May 6, 2009.

TRAVEL:

Rick and Janya Gladu are sending Janya to visit Russia and to bring her mother back with her to the USA. Janya leaves May 22nd and returns June 5. This has been in process for 3 years with more paperwork to come. Please pray for safety on the trip and completion of the additional administrative requirements. Janya will also be visiting the orphanage for children with mental disabilities, that some of you have supported.

Kevin & Krista Rideout and family head back to Niger this week. Pray for safety and adjustment.

HEALTH:

Elaine Curley and Karen Faul need ongoing prayer in their battle against cancer.

Tony Pierni: pray for ongoing challenges of living life after a stroke.

Steve DeFranza is going in Tuesday for back surgery at Dartmouth Hospital (4-5 days). Pray for wisdom for the doctors and healing during the 4-month recovery period.

DEATHS:

Steve Bravo's brother died May 10th. Pray for the Steve & family during this difficult time.

The Sought Seeker is Found!

Luke 19:1-10

Tim Tennet

May 24, 2009

Please enjoy your coffee in the atrium only.

Notes:

CELL PHONES OFF!!

Thank You Tim and Julie Tennent!

Please take a moment to write a brief thank you to Tim and Julie on the card provided in today's bulletin. Place your note in the baskets provided in the atrium after the service so that we can include your thoughts and well wishes in the gift we're giving the Tennents today.

REMINDER

Audio and video recordings of the messages are on the web at www.firststossipee.org and CDs are available in the atrium for a suggested donation.