

# PLANTED ROOTS

**NEW LIFE  
CHRISTIANCHURCH**  
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*Plant your roots in Christ and let Him be the foundation  
for your Life. Colossians 2:7*

March 2020

February 2020

**Valentine's Day:** The Roberts hosted a wonderful Lasagna dinner. There were combinations that I'd never heard of, and I heard compliments on all of them. And we out did ourselves on desserts. We had several guests join us too, who got to play the Biblical wives game and a fill in the blanks game that brought many laughs. Thanks to all who helped make this a very special day of sharing and love.



Yummy food



Salads



Loving friends

February 16



*We shared our Annual Sweets for your Sweetie with 20 students and faculty of the worship team from Cornerstone Christian Academy.*

*Thanks to all who brought sweets to share, and thanks to these wonderful students who sang beautifully and performed a very thought provoking skit.*



*We were so blessed to hear their young voices praising God*

*The big question: Is there enough evidence to prove that you are a Christian?*

## LOOKING AHEAD



### Creamery Creek Worship

Sunday, March 8 @ 1:30 PM

### Reach Meeting

Monday, March 9 @ 6:30 PM

### The Guy Challenge

March 13-14

### Potato Tater Topper Meal

Sunday, March 15 @ 11:30 AM

### Ladies Breakfast Club

Saturday March 21 @ 9:00 AM

Viroqua Family Restaurant

### Family Movie Night

Friday March 27 @ 7:00 PM

### Women's connect Group

Each Wednesday @ 11:30 AM

### Woodcarving

Each Wednesday @ 1:00 PM

John Stout 638-2408

### Greeters for December



#### Greeters

- March 1 - Ralph & Sheila Petersheim
- March 8 - Vicki Moore & Pat Horkheimer
- March 15 - Charlotte Mills & Judy Gates
- March 22 - Joe & Carol Melcher
- March 29 - Tammy Schneider & Penny Schoenrock

## ***THE GUY CHALLENGE***

### **FOR MEN AND THEIR SONS**

(Starting with middle school age)

MARCH 13-14, 2020

LANDMARK CHRISTIAN CHURCH, CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI

*Guy Challenge is an event built exclusively for men.*

Guy Challenge is a place to cut loose, relax, laugh, be well fed, get inspired, encouraged, and challenged. Guy Challenge is a place where you will be armed to be a courageous follower of Jesus in your everyday life.

Guy Challenge will equip you with practical tools for your everyday life. Our vision is to see men raised up to be a Godly force leaving a lasting impact on their families, the church, community, and the world.

There is nothing as adventurous, as frightening, and as mind-boggling as grabbing hold of the mane of the Lion of Judah and walking with Him every day of your life. There is no greater feeling of love and passion and faithfulness than experiencing a deep relationship with the Creator of the universe. But Satan is going to do everything within his power to try and stop you. He will use every weapon in his arsenal because he wants to hang you in his trophy room.

Our 2020 theme is **"On Adventure with God"** and we will study the strategies of Satan, and we will study how God is also doing some holy hunting of His own.

**SPEAKER / JIMMY SITES**

**WORSHIP / JESSE HAMBLE**

**Talk with Paul if you'd like to go along.**

### SUNDAY MORNING

**Adult Discipleship** 9:00 a.m.

Studying Mathew

**Children's Sunday School** 9:00 a.m.

For all ages.

**Worship** 10:00 a.m.

**The book of Daniel**

Dare to be Different

Prayer Request: Contact Paul at 608-632-3888 or email [paulroberts@mwt.net](mailto:paulroberts@mwt.net)



## BUILDING & GROUNDS:

### **KWIK TRIP CARDS ARE AVAILABLE**

Please consider participating in this program. We want to build up a fund to cover future building expenses, so we don't have to borrow more money when something comes up. It doesn't cost you anything extra, and the church gets 5-10% of your purchase. They also make great gifts. You can purchase them Sunday mornings or during the week when the office is open in the morning.

**Expense Efficiency Report:** A brief comparison of building expenses since we changed out our lights last January, and updated the furnaces last fall. The weather has an effect on these figures, and over-all, we are spending less on utilities. Thanks to Paul, Roy, and Joe for all your work on these improvements.

	<u>Current</u>		<u>Previous</u>		<u>Savings</u>
Xcel electricity:	11/1/19 - 2/25/20	\$547.21	11/1/18-2/25/19	\$909.06	\$361.85
Xcel electricity:	1/1/19 - 12/31/19	\$2252.03	1/1/2018 - 12/31/18	\$2456.61	\$204.58
Madison Gas	11/1/19 -2/25/20	\$833.57	11/1/18 - 2/25/19	\$912.02	\$78.45
Snow plowing	Thank you Ervin	\$0		\$410.00	\$410.00

**New Cleaner from VARC** started on Friday, February 21 and his name is Mike D. He will be working with his job coach Tiffany on Friday's between 9 a.m. - noon. Stop in a say hi to Mike. Also, Mike Roberts is taking over for Pauline to be sure that the church is clean every Sunday.



### **REACH: REACHING IN FOR FELLOWSHIP AND OUT FOR THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW JESUS**

We are searching for ideas to make a difference for Christ in our community. If you have any thoughts, please let us know. Talk to Pauline, Pam or either Carols.

- **New-comer welcome mailers:** This February we sent out 3 welcome packets to people who have moved into the area.
- **The Jail Library Ministry** is an outreach to serve people who are incarcerated in the Vernon County Jail. If you have some books (soft cover only please) to donate, please leave them in the collection box. You never know which book might change the life of a prisoner.
- **Nursing Home Ministry** visits the local nursing homes and ministers to the resident's needs. Contact Ruth Sinn if you'd like to participate. Phone 317-627-0017 or email [rgsinn.78@gmail.com](mailto:rgsinn.78@gmail.com)

### **PENNIES FOR THE POOR**

During the month of March, we will be collecting pennies or other types of change for our local food pantry. There will be a jar at the welcome center starting March 1. If you have any questions, please contact Pauline. Thank you for your support in this mission.



**March 8th**

### **ANNUAL CLOTHING DRIVE FOR THE SPRING GIVEAWAY**

In April we will hold a clothing giveaway. We are asking those who would like to donate their spring and summer clothing for this event, please drop them off at the church starting March 29. Questions contact Pauline.



# Supported Missions update

FAME

## Making an Impact in China!

By Jeff Coon, Director of Development



The Coronavirus is sweeping across China and reaching into countries around the world.

Recently, I was in a meeting with Bill Warren (FAME Executive Director), Barry Reed (FAME Mission Resource Director), and a Chinese leader of a FAME global partner who is responding directly to the Coronavirus Crisis.

Here are the highlights:

- The virus is spreading at least 10 times what is being reported on the news
- Since this is an "airborne droplet" virus, the demand for masks is in the billions
- The Crisis will probably peak in the next few weeks- so time is of the essence
- They have direct contact with churches who are going to distribute masks to medical professionals who are on the front lines (this will bypass the government agencies which are taking weeks to distribute supplies)
- Their first truckload of supplies has already been taken to Chicago's O'Hare Airport for transport (includes masks and gloves from the FAME warehouse)
- \$100 will resupply the 1,250 masks that were recently supplied to our mission partner in China.

FAME not only emptied our warehouse of gloves and masks, but we also depleted our Emergency Fund by giving a check to this global partner to cover the cost of supplies and shipping. **We need to replenish our Emergency Fund** for times like this, and the likely need that we will assist this partner again within weeks, AND more requests are coming from others.

Can you help disrupt this crisis? If the Coronavirus can be stopped in China, the spread will be limited! Christians and their churches in China will be the distribution channel of all of these supplies- what a message YOU can send by your help today.

You can go online to [www.fameworld.org/donate](http://www.fameworld.org/donate) and designate the General Fund and make a note "Emergency." Or send your check with the same note to:

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