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Real Leadership

A recent report from one of our AWANA Trek leaders: “On an unassuming Wednesday night this month, two new students appeared during game time. Two leaders asked the new kids if they wanted to participate in the game being played, which they did, and we found out their names. Both stayed for the entire night. One of the new kids had several questions about the meaning of sin and its implications on the choices we make. The other students quickly shared the origins of sin, how it affects our lives and the gift granted us to choose Christ and be washed clean of sin.”

As the group time ended, the leader was very impressed with the instruction the two ‘newbies’ received from their teenage peers. He realized this episode would not have happened had the leader stuck with his agenda. Instead he elected to get out of the way and allow God to lead the small group. Let’s all be thankful that God is the One that is really in charge. This is God’s church purchased by the blood of Christ. All of us who serve in the church must consistently and eagerly submit to the will of God and the leading of the Spirit.

This Sunday night, we gather as members to elect our peers to serve on boards and committees. Please attend and be in prayer for the meeting and for the leadership of our church. May we as a church totally recognize the right of Jesus to direct all aspects of our lives and ministry.

Regards, Paul Pankratz

P.S. This Sunday morning we will receive a report from Lance Nelson, one of our missionaries serving with Athletes in Action. Welcome Lance!

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LORD’S DAY SERVICES

March 7, 2010

Worship Services: 8:30 • 9:50 • 11:05

“Super-sized Praying!” Part 2

Ephesians 3:14-19

Communion

Pastor Kent

Annual Business Meeting: 6:30pm

Our Stewardship in Attendance

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>2009 Avg.</u>
SS	221	191
AM	444	447
XYZ	70	

Our Stewardship in Giving

Needed per week	\$ 14,029.92
Given last week	\$ 14,393.60
2010 YTD-Future Expansion	\$ 3,805.50
Special Project	\$ 810.00

Ushers

Mitchell Koch, Bill Brunnemeyer, Chris Collins,
Jeffrey Lanser, Percy Radke, Dan Ringuette,
Clyde Thorne, Bob Vix

Greeters

8:30 Percy & Ardith Radke
9:45 Michael & Teri Tingley
11:05 John & Deb Frost

Information Desk Dan & Marlys Orluck

Children’s Church – 9:50 AM

Dara Hudson, Emily Long

Nursery Workers: Rachel Lindquist

8:30 Andrea Klingbeil, Brenda Willoughby
9:45 I – Angie Navarro, Alethea Monley
T – Debbie Guitian, Ashlee Anderson
11:00 I – Mitchell & Megan Belger
T – Kasey Huseby, Allison Odom

EVENTS FOR WEEK OF MARCH 7 - 13, 2010

Sunday	8:00 am	Pre-Service Prayer with the Pastors
	8:30 am	Classic Worship/Communion
	9:45 am	Sunday School for Adults Discovery (Membership) Class
	9:50 am	Contemporary Worship/Communion Children's Church
	11:00 am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:05 am	Contemporary Worship/Communion
	5:00 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6:30 pm	Annual Business Meeting
Monday	7:00 pm	Men's Fellowship
Tuesday	9:00 am	Ladies' Bible Study
	1:30 pm	Staff Meeting
	7:00 pm	CE Committee Worship Committee
	7:30 pm	Ladies' Book Club
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Awana Choir Leadership Center, Emerging
	6:45 pm	Midweek Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Leadership Center, Enriching
	7:30 pm	Sr. High, Journey
Thursday	7:00 pm	Ladies' Bible Study
Saturday	10:30 am	Awana Grand Prix Workday

• **Annual Business Meeting:** This Sunday evening, March 7, 6:30pm. 2010 Ballot and Proposed Constitution Amendments are posted on north hallway bulletin board. A 30% quorum (97) of resident members age 16 over will be required for the vote on amendments.

- **Ballot Change:** Elaine Carlson will be running for Children's Sunday School Supt. instead of the Youth Ministry Committee.
- **Childcare** – All ages will be provided for the members attending the Business Meeting Sunday evening. A free-will offering will be taken for the Uth Mission Team.

• **Deacon Benevolent Fund:** We will be observing the Lord's Supper this Sunday during the Morning Worship Services at which time you will have the opportunity to give to the Deacon benevolent fund.

• **Discovery (New Membership) Class:** A new class will begin Sunday, March 7 for those who are interested in joining First Baptist Church or want to learn more about us. The class will meet at 9:45am in the Upstairs Lounge for 3 weeks.

• **Missionary Update:** Lance Nelson, one of our FBC supported missionaries, will bring us a greeting this Sunday during the morning worship services. He serves with Athletes in Action, a sports ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ.

• **Special Evening of Worship:** The choir will present "*Songs of the Early Church*" on Sunday, March 21 at 6:30pm. Have you ever wondered what worship might have been like in the early church? While we don't know for sure what it sounded like, we do have lyrics from the first century church. The Odes Project was commissioned in 2007, and modern music was put to these songs of old. The choir has put together a program using the odes, and you are invited to come and share in a night of worship, prayer and church fellowship to follow!

• **Ladies' Book Club:** Tuesday, March 9, 7:30pm at the Barnes & Noble coffee shop. We will be discussing "Three Weeks with My Brother" by Nicholas Sparks and Micah Sparks. New members are always welcome!!! For more information, contact Debbie Guitian at 839-8767.

• **Ladies' Retreat: "Now is the Time"** April 9-10, 2010 – Central Campus. The featured speaker will be Jan Silvius. Jan has been reaching out to women for over 20 years, helping them to think biblically, reason clearly, live fully, and embrace an intelligent attitude toward life. She has been a popular speaker at numerous women's conferences and has authored 10 books, including *Girls Don't Whine* and *Fool-Proofing Your Life*. For more information on Jan Silvius, please visit her website at www.jansilvius.com. Retreat brochures and posters are available at the Women's Ministry table. Cost: \$30 if registered by March 15; \$35 after March 15.

• **Baby Shower:** Ladies, you are invited to a baby shower for Jenni and Ryan Kelley and the upcoming birth of their baby boy, Foxx. The shower will be held on Saturday, March 13 at 2:00pm here at First Baptist. The shower is being hosted by Lori Stone.

SHEPHERD CARE CONCERNS

Prayer Chain: AM 838-6064
PM 838-0405

Giving Thanks: The VanLith family would like to thank-you, our church family, for all of your support during Michelle's recent cancer treatments. We have been humbled by the love that we have felt from your prayers, cards, gifts and meals. Michelle has finished both chemotherapy and radiation treatments and a recent CT test did not show any cancer. We praise God for this good news and for our loving church family.

Praise God for the positive growth of the weekly prayer meeting! Praying together in the Sanctuary has also been a blessing.

Praise - Brian made it back safely from Afghanistan Sunday afternoon. Thank you to the church, the pastors, to everyone who was praying for him over the last 6 1/2 months! Tara Hasbrouck

Sympathy: We extend our heartfelt prayers and condolences to Ruth Zimbelman and Laura Forthun and family in the passing of their brother-in-law, Fred Schmidt on Feb. 22.

Requests: Pray for Nicole London's cousin, Leah, age 40 with children in middle school and high school. She was diagnosed with cancer throughout her body and in her vital organs.

Continue to pray for Crystal Springs Camp Director Darryl Singer as he undergoes cancer treatment. For online updates go to: www.prayfordarryl.com and click "Updates."

Deployed: Afghanistan Andrew Robinson, **Iraq** Erik Albertson, Jason Aitchison, Landi (Kizima) Whiteside

Missions: Lance & Jacque Nelson, Athletes in Action: Praise for the fourth year of AIA men's basketball league (8 weeks left). Involves 115 players, many former college players. Each game at half time a spiritual message is given. Pray for receptive hearts to God's message. Pray for planning of summer youth AIA basketball camps.

NCA Pastor/Ministry of the Week: Rev. Ron Gold, Hillside Baptist, Dickinson, ND

FBC Missionary of the Week: Wendell & Coryne Lillestrand, Campus Crusade for Christ