

THIS WEEK

TODAY 2-17

8:30 a.m.—Common Ground
9:00 a.m.—Sunday School
Fellowship Time/Common Ground
9:30 a.m.—Ushers & Greeters Prayer
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship

TUESDAY 2-19

Noon—Community Prayer

WEDNESDAY 2-20

3:45-5:00 p.m.—AWANA
6:00-7:30 p.m.—Jr. High Youth Group
7:45-9:15 p.m.—High School Youth Group

THURSDAY 2-21

11:00 a.m.—Funeral Service for Loella Perkins
6:30 p.m.—Women's Bible Study

FRIDAY 2-22

Office Closed

SATURDAY 2-23

10:00-11:30 a.m.—Come & Go Bridal Shower
for Kelly Anderson

SUNDAY 2-24

8:30 a.m.—Common Ground
9:00 a.m.—Sunday School
Fellowship Time/Common Ground
9:30 a.m.—Ushers & Greeters Prayer
10:00 a.m.—Morning Worship

REMINDERS

This Week

Nursery (9:00) Denise Johnson
Nursery (10:00) Rob & Kristin McNeese
Greeters: Jim & Shannon Nielsen
AWANA Cookies: Kim McNeese, Vickie Swanson, Beth Rasmussen

Next Week

Nursery (9:00) Dennis, Lori & Shayna Ostercamp
Nursery (10:00) Brady & Hilary Wilson
Greeters: Gene & Deb Uken
AWANA Cookies: Ren Kahlstorf, Cathy Lemay, Nancy Anderson,

GIVING UPDATE

Weekly Budget: \$6,600

General Fund Offering—February 10: \$4,435.00

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for these people with health issues or other concerns

David Peterson	Josh Johnson	Nancy Anderson	Mathew Dallman
Bev McNeese	Doug Kneisel	Cindy Kumsher	Evelyn Hill
Paul Swanson	Floyd Cutshall	Marv Johnson	Family of Loella Perkins

- For God to give us a passion to see Christ move in our community
- Servicemen & Women—including Josiah Faust—National Guard
- Missionaries including Ritch and Susan Trca—Czech Republic
- Sunday School—including Women's Class—Teachers—Janice Bertilson & Chris McNeese
- Life Group Leaders—including Paul Swanson
- Youth Pastor—Pastor Jesse
- Please pray for Pastor Randal & Linda Kay

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL WOMEN — Stop by the table in the foyer today to pick up your book or sign up for "Breaking Free from Fear" the Precepts Inductive Bible Study beginning this Thursday, February 21 at 6:30 p.m. Books are \$9. Childcare will be provided.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS—The Membership class, led by Pastor Randal, which started February 3 will be meeting in Room 5 & 6. (the first room past the rest rooms). This class is expected to last approximately 6 weeks.

YOU'RE INVITED TO A BRIDAL SHOWER for Kelly Anderson on Saturday, February 23. This will be Come & Go from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the church.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR LOELLA PERKINS—A service will be held on Thursday, February 21st at 11:00 a.m. with visitation one hour prior. The family requests no flowers, please. If you wish to give a memorial, please give to the Britt Food Bank. Thanks.

WORSHIP TEAM PRACTICE— There will be no Worship Team practice this Thursday, February 21, due to an overlap with the Women's Bible Study.

STAMP MINISTRY—We will no longer be collecting cancelled stamps to be processed for sending to Missions.

IT IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP!

The best way to register is through www.hacamps.org. To receive a **\$20 early discount**, do so before **March 31st**. Also our church will pay \$168 for all camps \$335 or more and 50% for the camps under that amount. **To receive this, you must tell Kim McNeese** that your child is registered and for which camp. If you have any questions, contact Kim at: 641-860-0850 or



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"THE MAIN THING"

Nehemiah 6:1-7:3

Notes

The Shepherd's Staff

Pastor Randal

Some Things I Miss

There are some things I miss from my days in California. One is a law against driving and holding your cell phone and the other is what we call "drunk-bumps." Drunk-bumps are raised reflectors placed on highways to mark the lanes of traffic and the white lines on the side of the road. They help to keep you in your lane, especially when you get your mind off driving and begin to drift. Cell phone usage while driving can also lead to lane drift and worse.

Driving is a dangerous activity and demands your utmost attention. A little drifting in your lane can lead to disastrous results, a wrecked car or worse, a ruined life. Keeping our eyes on the road and our minds engaged is of critical importance if we are to arrive at our planned destination.

Lane drift can also take place in our spiritual walk as well. It is of vital importance that we keep our eyes on the spiritual road before us, lest we drift into dangerous places. Like most journeys we can start off well, but as we move along the road of following Jesus we can begin to lose focus, to let our minds wander, and before you know it making an unplanned lane change or worse you're causing an accident.

As we travel on our spiritual journey we must keep focused. We must keep God's glory in mind for that is our destination. We are encouraged in Scripture to stay focused. Consider the words of the writer of the letter to the Hebrews, *"fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."* (Hebrews 12:2)

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