



6	Joe & Cindy Neims
8	Dave & Jan Christopherson
30	Ron & Anne Kooy

Spring Songfest

Sunday, April 19, 7 pm
Ashley Baptist Church

As part of the NC Association, we are invited to participate in this time of fellowship and worship. If you have a special number to share, or are interested in attending, please contact the church office. (Refreshments provided)

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
9:20 am S.S./Sm. Groups 10:30 am Easter Worship Missions Offering 7 pm Passion Play		NO Ladies' BSF	NO AWANA 6:30 pm PHYM	7 pm Passion Play	7 pm Passion Play	NO DAWG Pound 7 pm Passion Play
9:20 am S.S./Sm. Groups 10:30 am Worship	6	7	6:30 pm AWANA 6:30 pm PHYM	9	10	6:30 am DAWG Pound 2 pm Dakota Harmony Concert
9:20 am S.S./Sm. Groups 10:30 am Worship Songfest, Ashley	13	14	6:30 pm AWANA Bowling 6:30 pm PHYM Extreme Makeover Finale	16	17	6:30 am DAWG Pound 10 am Prayer @ Salvation Army
9:20 am S.S./Sm. Groups 10:30 am Worship	20	21	6:30 pm AWANA 6:30 pm PHYM	23	24	6:30 am DAWG Pound STAND Conference, April 24-26, CSB Camp
9:20 am S.S./Sm. Groups 10:30 am Worship	27	28	6:30 pm AWANA 6:30 pm PHYM	30		
Soil Stewardship	Week - April 26-	May 2				

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| 1 | Frieda Keller | 8 | Jeanne Hansen | 14 | Clara Henke | 17 | Todd Langbehn | 26 | Jessica Graves |
| 1 | Shayla Martin | 8 | Gwen Krause | 14 | Brian Lausch | 17 | Carlotta Rasmussen | 26 | Aubrea Johnson |
| 3 | Douglas Wetzel | 9 | Alissa Hanson | 15 | Chrissy Coughlin | 18 | Vikki Coombs | 26 | Adreann Johnson |
| 5 | Milenu Motschenbacher | 12 | Steve Nygaard | 15 | Melvin Gahner | 19 | Hannah Schmidt | 27 | Angela Eldridge |
| 7 | Tasha Benjamin | 12 | Brian Sinner | 16 | Spencer Johnson | 21 | Diane Nygaard | 27 | Doris Giedt |
| 7 | Joshua VanEpps | 12 | Brett Sinner | 16 | Carol Leno | 21 | Candace Brown | 27 | Bjorn Hanson |
| 8 | Drew Topp | 13 | David Patzer | 16 | Jaryn Stading | 24 | Allen Wolfe | 27 | Rhia Leno |

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Lighting the Way Together

Pastor's Page Listening. One of the skills we all must learn is listening . . . as children, teens, adults, parents, couples, families, individuals.

My listening skills are not always the best. Just ask those who work with me. Ask my family. Part of that is due to my being distracted, preoccupied.

To listen well I must give the other person time to communicate. I must give myself time to listen. I must give my attention to another. How do we *attend* to others? To ourselves? To God?

If I am going to learn to listen *for* God, I must be able to recognize His voice. In other words I must first learn to listen *to* God. I find this requires practice: opening God's word, reading a portion

or book of the Bible (usually over several days), giving myself the time to think about what I'm reading. I can use the printed page or an electronic device, but I also find it helpful to hear God's word spoken by myself or others.

Another practice is thinking about my day at rising and before I go to bed. What do I think may be ahead? Do I commit myself to Him this day? Do I review my day to consider how I was listening or where I need to listen more attentively?

A third practice is to interact with people. Often it is in the encounters with an individual or a few people that I find it easiest to listen. It is difficult to listen in a crowd, unless that crowd is focused together, like in times of worship.

I've listed three areas or practices of listening—God's

word, prayer, interaction with others—with multiple aspects to each, which people over the centuries have found helpful in learning to listen to God.

Two words I've used repeatedly above are *learn* and *time*. Both are necessary. As I learn to listen *to* God, I'm better able to listen *for* God. They go together.

So how is your listening? What area requires priority? What practices will you begin to use in that area? Jesus says, "*My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.*" John 10:27

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TO WORSHIP GOD, HELP PEOPLE TO KNOW JESUS CHRIST PERSONALLY, GROW TO BE LIKE HIM, SHOW HIS LOVE, AND GO WHERE HE LEADS . . . TOGETHER.

PowerHouse Youth Ministry

It is official!!! Spring has sprung!!! Spring is a reminder of nature's renewal: Flowers begin to bloom, grass begins to green, animals give birth to new offspring, and there is a sense of expectancy for new beginnings in life. We can finally shed our heavy winter coats and put on shorts and short-sleeved shirts. Our days are getting longer, and we suddenly have energy for new and active endeavors. Spring is also the season of Easter. Easter marks a new beginning in a relationship with God. The incarnation, death, burial and resurrection of Jesus opened up the door of relationship with God in a whole new way. Easter is a re-creation of the original relationship that God began in the Garden of Eden.

A proper view of the incarnation allows us to share that Jesus did not come just to give us a gift, but to be there for us. The incarnation allows us to share with students the true hope Jesus offers. By God's choosing to come in the flesh, we have a Savior who understands us. He will be there when we need Him.

The history of the incarnation plays a vital role in helping us understand who Jesus is. It helps us see that Jesus is more than just a Person to call on in times of trouble. He is God in the flesh. He is a Person who understands us: He knows our thoughts, needs and dreams. He is not just a problem solver. When we understand the incarnation, then we can see the power of the cross revealed. We see a God who came in the flesh to show us how to live, how to die to our sins and how to be raised to walk in His righteousness. The incarnation transcends cultural boundaries. Students want to be understood. They are looking for a place to belong. They want someone to understand them and identify with their struggles. We can help them see that the incarnate Christ is that Person. If we become an extension of Christ's life, we can impact this generation in a mighty way. By investing our lives in students, just as Christ invested in the disciples, we will see much change.

In John 1, we see "Jesus dwelt among us." He became a part of the culture. He was one of us. We must have the same mindset. Paul encourages us in Philippians 2:5-11 to have the same attitude as Christ, which means we must live out the gospel before the people with whom we have been entrusted. The Holy Spirit allows us to be the incarnate representative of Christ on earth. We will have the same spirit and mind of Christ if we tap into the power and guidance the Holy Spirit offers. This Easter thank God for the relationship that is now possible and begin to walk in this new season of possibilities as you follow Christ into the community, state, nation and world that he created.

QPR is a suicide-prevention training designed for those who are in positions to recognize the signs, clues and suicidal communications of people in trouble--and to act vigorously to prevent a possible tragedy. The acronym **QPR** stands for

QUESTION, PERSUADE, REFER.

WHO? Ministers, staff, church leaders/members

WHERE? Teen City (202 4th Ave. NE)

WHEN? Thursday, April 16, 10:00 am

Information? Contact *Youth for Christ* (252-5501)

YOUTH PURPOSE STATEMENT

*Students with a desire to **REACH** out to their community, **HONOR** God, **DEVELOP** friendships, **SERVE** out of their unique **SHAPE** and **GROW** in their relationship with God and man in order to win our world for Christ in their lifetime.*

A *Financial Peace University* class

begins this month, meeting Sundays at the Steckler's home. If interested, please use the Response Form, or contact Brian Markegard or Chip Steckler.

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DAWG Pound - Men's Ministry

DAWG Pound is the name of the men's group here at TBC. Its unique name is an acronym which stands for "Daring Adventure With God". The group was started in 2007 by Scott Noyes (now residing in Minnesota), who had a passion for men's ministry. Seeing a need, he organized and started the *DAWG Pound*, which meets Saturday mornings, 6:30-8:00 am.

Together we prepare and enjoy a hearty breakfast, followed by a Bible study. Studies have included various books of the Bible and many video series. Most of these video series have focused on the Biblical perspective of manhood: how to be a better husband, father, grandfather, etc. Currently we are studying the Book of Hebrews.

Many different people have been a part of the *Dawg Pound*--including many from outside our TBC family. The *Dawg Pound* is open to all. The size of the group has ranged from two or three to as many as 15 or more. The age of our participants is diverse, ranging from college students to grandfathers.

Furniture-moving assistance, on numerous occasions to people in need, has been one area of service outside our group.

Men, if you enjoy fellowship, pancakes and learning, we invite you to join us on Saturday mornings!

STAND CONFERENCE, April 24-26, CSB CAMP
Seeing God in the Midst of Pain

CSB Camp invites you to attend the **STAND Conference**, April 24-26. This is a weekend event designed to equip believers with the tools they need to stand firm in the midst of life's various trials. Come for a time of teaching, fellowship and worship, as well as looking to God's Word in addressing the problem of pain.

Aron Utecht, Conference speaker, currently serves as Sr. Pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Beulah, ND.

Registration forms and brochures are available at the Welcome Center. Please note the **April 17 deadline** to use the \$10 coupon.

Passion Play Prayer



We have an opportunity to partner with God in His Kingdom

work. Room 105 (by the offices) has been set aside for those who are willing and available to pray during the Passion Play performances each evening.

A suggested list of prayer requests will be available in the room. (Prayer at home is also encouraged!)

Prayer is the most important work in God's Kingdom!

Please pray for . . .

- ◆ A clear presentation of the Good News of Jesus;
- ◆ Sensitivity of all to the leading of the Spirit;
- ◆ Health of the cast.



APRIL SCHEDULE

1	NO AWANA
8	Psalm 23:1-2
15	Psalm 23:3-4; Bowling
22	Psalm 23:5-6
29	Year-End Celebration