

### My decision today

- I prayed to receive Jesus Christ as my Savior
- I want to be baptized
- I want to grow as Christ's disciple
- Other

### I'm interested in

- Knowing how to receive Christ as Savior
- Knowing how to grow as Christ's disciple
- Joining a small group
- Helping with the Music Ministry
- Helping with the Children & Youth Ministries
- Other

## THE PASSION OF CHRISTMAS

Isaiah 9:1-7, *Christmas (Im)Possibilities #4*

The LORD is passionate about . . .

- ◆ Shining His light in dark places. (9:1-2)

*Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." John 8:12 (cf. 3:16-21; 1:4-5, 9)*

*For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light. Ephesians 5:8 (cf. Matthew 6:14-16; Philippians 2:14-16)*

- ◆ Delivering people under duress. (9:3-5)

*Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him . . . For sin shall not be your master, because you . . . are under grace. Romans 6:8, 14*

- ◆ Bringing the dominion of His Kingdom. (9:6-7)

*The Spirit of the LORD will rest upon him—the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. Isaiah 11:2 (cf. 1 Corinthians 1:24)*

*"I and the Father are one." John 10:30*

*"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." John 14:27a (cf. Luke 2:14)*

*"Repent, for the kingdom of God is near." Matthew 4:17b*

### NEXT STEPS

Review the passages (also Exodus 34:14) and outline. How does your passion line up with that of the Lord? Are you His follower, living under His dominion, His reign? How are you joining Him in your family, where you live, where you work as His light in a dark place? Whom do you see under duress who needs to hear about the Deliverer? Will you share in word and action the good news of Jesus? Praise the LORD Almighty for His passionate work (9:7).



Connecting with God & You

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*The Passion of Christmas*

Dr. Randall Jaspers, Sr. Pastor  
Rev. Randy Brown, Associate Pastor of Youth/Families

To **worship** God, help people **know** Jesus Christ personally, **grow** to be like Him, **show** His love and **go** where He leads... **together.**

# today at *tbc*

## Worship

- Worship through Singing
- Lighting of Fourth Advent Candle - John 1:14
- Worship through Prayer  
(Children, ages 3-K, dismissed for Jr. Church)
- Message: **THE PASSION OF CHRISTMAS**
- Worship through Giving
- Music Ministry - Dylan Rudolph
- Closing Prayer

Please fill out the Response Form and place it in the offering plate.  
Supervised nursery provided during Small Groups and Worship.

## Nursery Workers

TODAY: Ronda O. (S.S.); Ronda O., Alissa H., Karen J. (Worship)  
NEXT SUNDAY: Jennifer W. (S.S.); Jennifer W., Mary J., Valerie W.

## this week

- Today 2:30 pm Chapel, Ave Maria Village
- Tuesday 5:00 pm Candlelight Service
- Wednesday NO AWANA - Christmas Break  
NO PHYM
- Friday 6:00 pm Dinner for 10 (R2's home)
- Next Sun. 9:20 am S.S./ Small Groups  
10:30 am Worship-2013 Sharing; Baptism  
4:00 pm Face-2-Face Parent Small Group

## GIVING

Thank you for your faithful giving this year! **All 2013 giving** must be **completed by next Sunday, Dec. 29.** (Please contact Michelle Martin to make other arrangements.)

**Chris & Jackie Kramlich** have requested **financial assistance** for help with the cost of their kids' schooling in Uganda in 2014. They have had many expenses (adoption costs and recent events), and we have this opportunity to show our love and encourage them. If you would like to give, please indicate so on your check (**made out to TBC**) and place it in the offering either this Sunday or by next Sunday. Gifts can also be mailed to the church (1200 12<sup>th</sup> Ave NE).

## praise & prayer

### Around TBC

- ◆ Special health concerns: Anne Friesen, Doris Giedt, Candace Brown
- ◆ David Craig - Afghanistan
- ◆ College students attending TCX (Dec. 28-Jan. 1)
- ◆ Elders-(Worship; Children & Youth)
- ◆ Lisa Wagner and family; Lisa's mom, Pat Hamilton, went home to be with her Lord on Dec. 16. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be given to our local hospice. (**JRMC Hospice ATTN: Maren Radi; 2422 20th St. SW, Jamestown, ND**)

### Around the NAB Conference

#### Ron & Jeannie Seck - Hungary



Confident that God has called them to expand and continue their passion for His glory, Ron & Jeannie are working in various Roma communities training

workers in evangelism and holistic ministry. They are striving to plant and build up Roma Baptist churches. **PRAY** that they would see much fruit, especially in their training of Roma workers to continue and expand ministry in central Europe.

#### Herreid Baptist Church, Herreid, SD

Pastor Brandon & Marci Jones  
PRAY for our 2014 foci:  
1. Inviting all in the church to help;  
2. Each individual taking responsibility to minister to others;  
3. Restarting a Sunday evening gathering.

### Around the World

#### NEPAL - Hindu 75.0%, Christian 2.9%

Religion remains extremely important in Nepal. Converts to Christianity become social outcasts, and those charged with proselytism risk fines, a three-year imprisonment or expulsion. There are an estimated 850,000 Christians in just under 9,800 congregations in Nepal. Most of the persecution against Christians comes from militant Hindus and local Buddhist leaders.

**SYRIA & EGYPT:** PRAY for God's protection for Christians and for His light to shine brightly

GIVING REPORT	
YTD Budget	\$393,644.70
YTD Building Fund	\$15,033.00
YTD General Fund	\$338,217.71
<b>General Fund Total</b>	<b>\$353,250.71</b>

**\*BEHIND BUDGET - \$40,393.99**  
(Expenses are being met.)

**Thank you** to the children for their reading scripture, singing and preparing our hearts for worship!

**Office Hours** - Due to the Christmas holiday, office staff will not have regular hours this week (Dec. 23-29). If you have a need, please leave a phone message (952-0822) or send an email (tbc@daktel.com).

## response form

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Your age group 18-23 24-29 30s 40s 50s 60s 70s 80+ \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PRINT (If A Student) Your Current School Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Are You:  Single  Married \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Names of children living at home & birth dates: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your...  1st time?  2nd time?  3rd time?

I am:  Attendee  Member  Visitor

I came as a guest of: \_\_\_\_\_

New Address  New Email Address

Mr. | Mrs. | Miss. | Ms