


The **Souper Bowl of Caring** (Jan. 19-Feb. 1) is an opportunity to fight hunger and poverty in our own community around the time of the Super Bowl. In the weeks leading up to Super Bowl Sunday, our Youth will be taking up a collection, asking for one dollar or one item of food for people in need. 100% of these donations go directly to a local hunger-relief charity.

 Debbie Kercher will be leading a puppet workshop (middle school students and older) on Saturday, January 17, 1:30 p.m. for all interested in learning how puppets can be a tool in sharing the Gospel message.

- 9 Jacob & Angela Eldridge
- 9 Tim & Cara Prescott
- 15 Len & Penny Orr
- 17 Kevin & Lisa Wagner
- 20 Amos & Darlene Diede




| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat |
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| January 2015 | | | | | | |
| 9:20 am 4 S.S./Sm. Groups | 6:30 pm 5 Elders' Meeting | 6:45 pm 6 Ladies' BSF | 6:30 pm 7 AWANA 6:30 pm PHYM | 1  | 2 | 3 6:30 am DAWG Pound |
| 10:30 am Worship Lord's Supper | | | | | 9 | 10 6:30 am DAWG Pound |
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| 10:30 am Worship - Go | | | | 22 | 23 6 pm Dinner for 10 | 24 6:30 am DAWG Pound |
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| 10:30 am Worship - Make Ice Bowl Chili Cook-off | 6:30 pm 26 | 6:45 pm 27 Ladies' BSF | 6:30 pm 28 AWANA 6:30 pm PHYM | 29 | 30 | 31 |

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| 4 | Karen Jaspers |
| 4 | Gabby Tweten |
| 4 | Jennifer Woiwode |
| 5 | Linda Piehl |
| 7 | Austin Kastet |
| 7 | Len Orr |
| 8 | Clara Hanson |
| 14 | Darlene Diede |
| 15 | Sue Steckler |
| 15 | Delia Stoudt |
| 16 | Garrett Kendrick |
| 18 | Kathy Grinsteiner |
| 19 | Jo Dee Ronan |
| 20 | Mitzi Hager |
| 21 | Ben Carroll |
| 23 | Colton Gumke |
| 23 | Ashton Johnson |
| 25 | Jamie Overvold |
| 26 | Conner Aldinger |
| 26 | James Owen |
| 27 | Ronda Oslund |
| 28 | Brandon Bondley |
| 28 | Gideon Cole |
| 28 | LeRoy Lang |
| 31 | Braden Gahner |
| 31 | Nolan Love |

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Lighting the Way Together





Happy New Year! For some of us it seems like we click off the years faster and faster.

We are beginning the year with some **significant events**: the **TBC Mission Team to Africa (Jan. 23 – Feb. 9)** and the **Passion Play over Easter weekend, practices beginning February 1.**

Two changes this year:
1) Those with singing parts are asked to audition, and
2) We are adding a resurrection scene. If you are interested in being part of the Passion Play, please indicate on the Response Form or contact Debbie Kercher (252.9434).

THANK YOU for your generosity in providing for the TBC Mission Team materials, training costs and member expenses. Check out the blog <https://tbcfamily.wordpress.com/> to keep updated on the team. If you are interested in receiving prayer letters, please contact the church office. Your prayers are vital to what God is doing in us and through us.

Sunday, January 11, 10:30 a.m. we will have a **special commissioning service for the TBC Africa Team.** While the team is away, Pastor Randy Brown will be preaching a series from Matthew 28:19-20, *The Discipleship Continuum.*

- January 18: "Go"
- January 25: "Make"
- February 1: "Teach"
- February 8: "Observe"

As we begin the year, how is God asking you to walk more closely with Him? **What two steps will you take to establish good habits** (and perhaps boundaries) **to help that walk become a reality?** Whom will you tell, so that you can have a regular encourager?

Encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Remember, we light the way together!

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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

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.

In January, we will be embarking on a journey together through a new preaching series called **The Discipleship Continuum**. Our focus will be on the *Great Commission* (Matthew 28:18-20)—the most misquoted verses in all of New Testament Scripture. These verses are often used as the foundation for every evangelistic training course and material ever developed. We use them as the battle cry to rally our “Christian Troops” to march against a lost world and shout the gospel message from every rooftop and church—but these verses are so much more! This is really a cry to Disciple Making; Evangelism is a part of the process. We will look at discipleship as being a continual process. **Where are you on the Discipleship Continuum?**

50 years ago we could have revival services, preach the Gospel, and people would come forward to give their lives to Christ. That worked then; now I believe that evangelism is a part of the **Discipleship Continuum**—meaning that there has to be some “Pre-Conversion Discipleship” (coming to church, hearing about Christ, getting to know some Christians, beginning to ask questions, seeking God, etc.). At some point on the continuum a “Conversion” happens. That person comes to a saving knowledge of Christ through repentance and has his sins forgiven and his eternity sealed. After his conversion experience comes what I call “Post-Conversion Discipleship” (how to study the Bible, what does it mean to follow Christ, how to live a Godly life, etc.) Discipleship is more than just a plan or program through which people move: it is a journey through which we are privileged to walk along side others, helping them come to know the God we love and serve. Evangelism is part of that journey. This is what I have looking at over the past few years; I just wanted to share that with you. This will be key for our church to understand if we truly are going to “Light the Way”.

In the New Testament, churches expanded spontaneously. The apostles used no great appeal to coerce the local church to go share the Gospel. The Great Commission was understood as a tenet of the Christian faith. They just went and did it. Wherever the apostles went, they started new churches and made disciples. They disciplined new believers and then turned them loose to do God’s work. Oftentimes we think only “School-trained” people can do the work in a local church, but that is not the case! These new converts were uneducated men who yielded their lives to the leading of the Holy Spirit. We as a church need to return to this way of mission work. It worked then—and and it will work now. Until we realize the power a local believer has in the discipleship process, our efforts will become retarded and frustrated. Make plans to join us each week as we explore the depth of this verse and give practical examples of how to navigate the Discipleship Continuum. Let the journey begin...

In His Peace,
Randy



The **Discipleship Team** is looking for a team member who is willing to serve as an **Adult Sunday School Coordinator**. Responsibilities include recruiting teachers, ordering curriculum, researching and providing teacher-training resources, attending team meetings and having regular communication with the Elder of Discipleship. Please contact Pat Motschenbacher (patm@daktel.com).



January Schedule Missionaries

- 7 Mark 1:17
- 14 **Super Hero Night** (1 John 3:17-18)
- 21 Acts 1:8
- 28 Colossians 3:23



Africa Mission Team

Background: The connection between TBC and Christian Mission Aid (CMA) began with Doris Giedt’s 1st-and-2nd grade Sunday school class and their raising funds for CMA to provide safe drinking water. Through this initial contact, Larry & Debbie Kitchel (founders of CMA) became acquainted with TBC, and made TBC their church home in the US.

Team Members: Dean and Doris Giedt; Randy and Kristy Jaspers; Pat and Erin Motschenbacher; Mary Rachel

Why are we going? Believing God has called us to go and partner with CMA to be witnesses to the Good News of Jesus, we are going—at the invitation of Debbie Kitchel and CMA—to:

1. Provide teacher training in the rural Orisai area of the Ngora region, Uganda. Mary, Doris, Pat and Erin will join two CMA representatives in this basic training on how to communicate the stories of the Bible (Genesis-Revelation) in 75 lessons;
2. Join two other CMA trainers (Dean, Randy, Kristy and Debbie) in working with 40 pastors in another

Preparations are beginning for the Easter Passion Play! This is a gift that TBC offers our Jamestown community. It is also a great way to connect with others in the congregation. If you are interested in being involved, please contact Deb Kercher or Bernie Satrom. Help is needed in many different areas: acting, building sets, technical (sound, video, lighting), props, makeup, costumes, etc...

Watch for coming announcements this month.

Practices will begin on February 1.



- rural area among the Karamojong. Topics will include evangelism, prayer and discipleship.
- 3. Interact with a deaf church in the Nairobi area; do a day-long VBS at Orisai; provide food, encouragement and prayer support to HIV/Aids widows in western Kenya and visit the Girls’ Rescue Center in Maasailand, Kenya.
- 4. Distribute Proclaimers, provide 200 Bibles in Karamojong for the pastors, 500 *Living in Christ* booklets for new believers, 50+ food buckets, dozens of soccer and volleyballs as well as a portable sound system to show the *Jesus* film in Kenya, Uganda and South Sudan.

Thank you for your partnership through providing funds for materials, training and transportation costs. Thank you, too, for assisting in team members’ personal costs and for your prayer support.

Prayer Requests:

- *God’s preparation—both in the hearts of team members and in those who will receive training;
- *God’s equipping in knowing what and how to prepare to share His message;
- *Sense of humility and dependence upon the Lord;
- *God’s favor and protection during travel, going through customs, from evil and sickness;
- *God’s wisdom.

