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If you are interested in attending a ministry conference for women, please contact Ms. June Vanlandingham to join a group from The Mount. Plans are being made to attend the Women of Joy Conference in Oklahoma City, April 15-

17. Guest speakers include: Sarah Palin, Karen Kingsbury, Michael W. Smith, Anita Renfro, Charles Billingsley, and Kay Arthur.

Cost per person varies: for one per room at \$329 to 4 per room at \$159

if registered by January 26, 2011 (add \$10 after that until March 2, 2011). This includes conference plus two nights lodging.

A NOTE FROM PASTOR RYAN



Church Family,

This past Sunday was truly a history-making day in the life of The Mount. After finishing our Membership Matters series, more than one hundred people who had walked through the entire series covenanted together. Very simply, their commitment was to the Lord, to one another and to the mission God has given The Mount. What a God day for us all!

I have heard from many others who missed one or more of the series and thus could not sign yet. If you are one of those who desire to covenant with us, all of the messages are available online: www.themountonline.com. It would be our pleasure to get you a CD of the messages you missed if that works better for you. All we ask you to do is email our Ministry Assistant at: kristy@themountonline.com and let her know which message you need.

Our re:LAUNCH is just around the corner! Literally, it is only days away before we experience a "grand new" beginning. It is time for us all to join together in these following areas:

PRAY:

1. Print the weekly prayer guide and pray each day through it (the guide is located on our website under the "Pray" tab)
2. Print the February prayer calendar and pray each day for the listed area (it can be found on our website under the "Pray" tab)
3. Sign-up for the 24 Hours of Prayer at www.themountonline.com/pray24
4. Pray for three people each day, beginning today, whom you will invite to The Mount

INVITE:

1. List out specific people you will invite to our re:LAUNCH
2. Pray for them each day until re:LAUNCH
3. Call, visit, text, email and invite them to the re:LAUNCH
4. Use the attached email invite to send to your friends all week long
5. Hand out invite cards to all of the other people in your realm of influence
6. Ask God to allow you to invite people you meet each day until the re:LAUNCH

SERVE:

1. Seek a place to serve on Sunday morning (greeter, usher, prayer, children's worker, etc). Ask God to show you where you can serve.
2. Join us next Wednesday night, 02/09/11, to make final preparations for re:LAUNCH. THERE IS A PLACE FOR EVERYONE.
3. Come EARLY on 02/13/11 and be ready to work wherever needed.

The Bible says in Deuteronomy 31:8, "It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed." It is with this promise that we move forward at The Mount. And as Paul would remind the church in Rome, "If God is for us, who can be against us." Let's fix our eyes on Christ and advance the kingdom for His glory and the good of the people.

TOGETHER for the glory of God alone,

Pastor Ryan

LOVE'EM ENOUGH

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Love your neighbor as yourself. Treat others the way you want to be treated. Love one another. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. That's a whole lot of love that the Bible lists. How do we do that?

First, love the Lord. It is only through His love that we can possibly love others. The Lord has commissioned us, the local church, to spread the Good News

of Jesus Christ, to this community and beyond. And that is what "Love'em Enough" is all about, loving the people of this area enough to invite them to church. We have several organized ways for each member to get involved.

First, on February 12, we will meet at the FLWC at 8:00 a.m., enjoy breakfast and divide into teams. Then beginning at 9:00 am we will scatter to the neighborhoods surrounding The Mount and place door hangers. This is not a door knocking campaign, but if the Lord puts someone in your path, please feel free to talk with them. The Lord is doing great and mighty things at The Mount and we want

as many folks in our area to know about that. We will meet back at the FLWC with reports on how God worked through us.

Second, if you haven't already, then we would like each and every member, children and students as well, to be praying that the Lord would lead you to a friend, neighbor, or family member to invite to Re:LAUNCH on February 13th. Please talk about this within your family and in your small groups. Encourage each other with testimonies of the way God is using you. Let's love this community enough to care about every person and engage them with our lives.

SERVICE STATION | GLORIFYING GOD BY SERVING

We have a huge need for children's workers right now. As we grow, that need will grow as well. We are surrounded by young families who need a church home; and we believe that God has put us here to minister to them. In order for us to be effectual ministers, reaching the people in our community, WE NEED YOUR HELP.

You have an opportunity to minister to the people in our community by serving as a children's worker! For every four young families who attend, we need an additional 2.5 adult children's workers. Some of those workers may be the parents of children. However, because parents of young families are in the busiest phase of their lives, they may make up at most a third of workers we need—and more likely about a quarter. That means

that we still need about one new children's worker to come from within the body for every two new families who come to church at the Mount. We don't know when we'll start growing, but we do know that we will. When we do, we want to be prepared.

So, now you know the need and you're wondering if you can help. Yes! We're gearing up for growth, and part of those preparations includes having adults work with our experienced children's teachers for training. You won't just be thrown to the sharks—so to speak. We need our current members involved in children's ministry now because we won't have time to train and equip newcomers for active service in children's ministry as fast as we need them.

Let's get a head start! God is doing exciting things; and He has blessed us with the opportunity to reach out to His precious little ones. If you can help in any of the places below, or feel like you can help, but don't know where, contact Kerry Turner at

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PLACES TO SERVE



Children's church: During the worship service, children's church provides children aged four years through second grade the chance to worship, practice scripture memorization, and have fun while they do it!



Children's Bible study: During the Bible study hour from 9:15 – 10:15, children participate in age-graded small-groups for active learning that reinforces the concepts during the large-group time. In large group, children listen to the Bible story in fun and interesting ways.



Snack room: Between Bible study and children's church, kids have their snack. This is an important ministry as the snack team will fill kids' bellies while children's church leaders prepare to fill their hearts and minds with God's word.



Small-group childcare teams: This is a new ministry that we're looking to start. Teams of workers will go to homes that are hosting small groups. The goals are two-fold: let parents have a chance to really focus on God's word; and teach children about the Bible.



Kids on Mission: God's heart is in missions, and to follow the great commission, we all need to be missionaries. Wednesday nights, kids learn about missionaries taking the gospel all over the world and how that message is still changing lives.



VIP: During the worship service, the "Volunteers in Preschool," sit with and show God's love to our youngest learners through play, reading stories, and just by spending time with them.

Your service is important if we are going to be a church that makes a meaningful impact in our community. So, thank you! We've done good work, but we haven't even gotten started yet.



30 HOUR FAMINE FOR WORLD VISION

February 25-26, 6 p.m. - 6 p.m., is the 30 Hour Famine student event.

The students will be learning about world hunger by experiencing it themselves! They will be raising funds to be sent through World Vision to children in need around the world. If you're interested in helping with this weekend or donating supplies for our weekend, please contact Sarah Lambert.

By Email:
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