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How to Impact Your World

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A Note From Drew...

Drew Mentzer
Senior Minister

Vacation Bible School is over for another year here at Second, and I want to thank all of you who prayed, served, gave and volunteered. I know it is not always easy to be involved in something with so much noise, activity and late evenings, but we will not know this side of heaven the impact on a child's life.

I also want to thank you who gave toward the mission project of building a house in Haiti through International Disaster Emergency Services. At this writing, we are close to having enough to build three houses. You continue to amaze me with your generosity and excitement for Kingdom work.

I want to extend an invitation to all of you who need to take the next step in your walk with Christ. We continue to emphasize making the decisions the Lord is calling us to make. For some, it is to receive Christ for the first time (John 1:12-13, Romans 10:9-10, Acts 2:36-38). For some, it is to complete their obedience by being immersed. For those who are immersed believers, it is to identify with the local church. And for others, it is to make the commitment to get serious about serving the Lord.

But when can you make those decisions? There are some Sunday's when we do not sing after the message. There are some Sunday's when a specific invitation is not a part of the message (although the Gospel is always declared). Whether there is a song or not, please know that the invitation to respond to the Lord is always open. Call me, email me or come up to me between services and I will be glad to help you with your next step.

The use of an "invitation hymn" is a tradition that we sometimes observe and sometimes do not observe. Let me tell you the problem with this tradition. Sometimes people respond to the emotion of the moment, maybe a sad story the preacher tells or even the song that is sung. Sometimes people come forward that we have not had a chance to talk to and they want to "join the church" (which is not in the Bible) or they have some really hard issue in their life and I only have a few minutes to try to address their situation. People have come, who wanted what the church had to offer, but were not ready to repent of obvious sin and that is hard to deal with during the few minutes that a song is being sung.

Many decisions that are made here at Second take place at times other than Sunday. This week I have met with two individuals and talked about their relationship with the Lord and have scheduled one baptism for later in the week and another in a couple of weeks. So the opportunity to decide for Christ is always there and we will always offer that, even if we don't sing a song after the Sunday morning message.

By the way, talking about decisions; some of us need to decide to talk to others about Christ. More than an invitation song, what we need is people who are inviting their lost friends and family members to come to Christ and His church. Remember we exist to lead people to Christ.

Looking ahead a few weeks, I hope all of you are going to be at the all church picnic and fun day on August 21st at Hanging Rock Camp. There will be lots of activities and lots of shade for those of us who just want to sit. It will be a great time to get to know your family here at Second and I look forward to seeing you there.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." (Romans 15:13)

Drew



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Preaching Schedule

August Series:

How to Impact Your World

August 1st

Be Committed

John 15:1-8

August 8th

Be Contagious

John 15:5 & Titus 2:1-10

August 15th

Be Consistent

John 15:6 & Ephesians 4:13-16

August 22nd

Be Courageous

John 15:8 & Acts 4:13-20

August 29th

Be Compassionate

John 15:9-17



GOLF OUTING #3 & #4

SCHEDULED

Our third & fourth golf outings are scheduled for Sunday, August 8th and August 29th. We will meet at Turtle Run at 4:00 p.m. and play 9 holes. The cost is \$15, which include the 9 holes and a golf cart for the evening. This is a fellowship opportunity for anyone who is interested. Bring a friend and come play a round with your family at 2CC. You just need to have your own clubs.

If you would like to join the fun, please contact Bob Brewer, 765-585-1648 or bbrewer@steelgripinc.com or Bob Peavler, 217-474-1252 and let them know that you are planning on participating.



TIME IN THE WORD

Spending time in the Word of God helps develop wisdom and understanding. If we consistently spend time in the Word, we store up light in our hearts that guides us through dark and difficult times. The Psalmist says, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path" (Psalm 119:105).

Interestingly, there is a way to increase the strength and wattage of this metaphorical light – it is called study. Author Kay Arthur is well known for a Bible study method that is simple, straightforward, and easy to develop. The method is called inductive Bible study and it consists of three components: observation, interpretation, and application. The following is a condensed version of how to engage in inductive Bible study.

OBSERVATION answers the question, "What does the passage say?" As we read through the Bible, we need to make observations about names, events, key words and phrases. If any of your observations are unfamiliar or unclear, research these items in a Bible dictionary or encyclopedia. Identifying these elements often brings greater clarity and understanding to what you are reading.

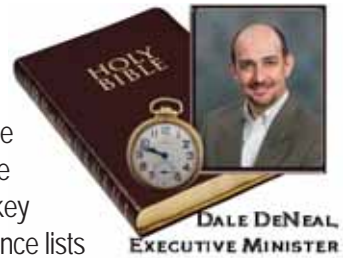
INTERPRETATION answers the question, "What does the passage mean?" As mentioned above, a Bible dictionary, an encyclopedia, in addition to a Bible commentary can also help in interpreting the Bible. However, it is best to use Scripture to help you understand scripture. What do I mean by that? The Bible is meant to be understood as a whole and not by a single passage. The Bible will not contradict itself; so if you come across a passage that seems to be inconsistent with something else you read,

the inconsistency lies in your interpretation of the passage.

Two helpful tools to interpreting scripture are a concordance and a cross-reference. Both of these tools can be found in most Bibles. A concordance is usually found in the back of a Bible and it lists key words and names found in scripture. A concordance lists these words and names in alphabetical order and provides a reference of other verses that use the same word. A cross-reference is generally found in a center or bottom margin of each page of your Bible. As you read the Bible, you may notice small letters next to words. These letters are like "footnotes" and guide you to a listing of cross-references of other Scripture passages that deal with the same subject. These parallel passages will often help bring greater understanding to an obscure or unfamiliar verse in the Bible.

APPLICATION answers the question, "How does the meaning of this passage apply to me?" No matter how much you know about God's Word, if you don't apply what you learn, Scripture will never benefit your life. Application is about taking the interpretation and meaning of Scripture and making it personal. Ultimately, the goal of personal Bible study is a transformed life and a deep abiding relationship with Jesus. If we don't apply Scripture personally and allow Scripture to change us, we are missing the point of spending time in the Word. Application is about doing what the Bible says. James 1:22 says, "Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

Observation and interpretation help bring the light of God into our lives. However, application of God's Word magnifies the intensity of God's light in our lives, allowing us to be a light for others who are struggling through dark and difficult times.



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Ministry

Did you know there are over 40 active ministries here at Second? We would like to take a moment and let you see one of them in action each month. This month two new ministries are featured. First, our new Golf Ministry. This ministry is ready to bring anyone who wants to join them to a wonderful afternoon of fellowship with other Christians. They meet once a month, weather permitting, and play nine holes. They award the winning team with a trophy, the 'green' jackets and a photo that is shown before service the next Sunday. If you love golf, or want to try it out with a bunch of great people, watch for the August outing sign-up in the bulletin and plan to tee off with your friends here at Second.



Moment

Second, is our new Landscape/ Grounds Beautification ministry. Shaun Spangler has headed this up and has a few dedicated volunteers that have made our front entrance and the daycare entrances look fantastic. If you like to work in the garden, why don't you consider getting involved. There are many areas around the building that could use some sprucing up. Give Shaun a call at the church office and let him know that your green thumb is ready to go to work!





THANKS FOR AN AWESOME WEEK OF V.B.S.!

Another year of Vacation Bible School has come and gone, and I know that this year ranks as one of the best years ever! Just what made VBS 2010 so wonderful? Our incredible volunteers and church family!

Thank you so much to all of the outstanding volunteers (pre-school, elementary, games, crafts, Bible stories, registration, refreshments, decorations and on and on)...who made VBS an awesome week of Bible-learning fun!

Thank you to the kids for not only coming each and every evening to VBS, but for inviting friends to come and for being so wonderfully behaved while you were here having fun!

Thank you for all of the generous donations made to help our Mission for the week; I.D.E.S. (International Disaster Emergency Service), and for helping us build not only one house in Haiti but for building 2 1/2 houses in Haiti! (This year was our largest VBS mission offering ever and we learned that this offering (over \$10,000.00) was the largest VBS offering I.D.E.S. has ever received!)

Thank you to Danville Gardens and Turtle Run for the terrific pool party.

This year, at VBS, we learned that God wants us to be heroes for Him and that He can use each of us, no matter our age, to share His good news!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Watching for details on these events:

Food Fair – Sept. 11th

"Trunk & Treat" – Oct. 31st

Skating Party – November TBA



PROMOTION SUNDAY

On Sunday August 1st, we will be having our annual "Promotion Sunday" for the Children's Ministry Department. On the 1st, all our school-age children (Beginning with our new Kindergarten students) will move up to the next grade level of Sunday School classes as well as Children's Church.

If you are a parent of one of our new Kindergarten students, please give Ms. Kenna a call at the church, so that your child's name tag will reflect their new class.

If you have any questions about "Promotion Sunday", please do not hesitate to give Ms. Kenna a call.

FAMILY CAMP AT HANGING ROCK

Make plans to join us over Labor Day weekend for Hanging Rock's annual "Family Camp". For more information, see the Children's Ministry bulletin board, located outside the Chapel entrance, or by checking out Hanging Rock's web-site at: hang-ingrock.org



Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. - Series: "The Ten Commandments"

August 1 - Commandment 10

"The Fruits of the Spirit"

August 8 - Love

August 15 - Joy and Peace

August 22 - Patience

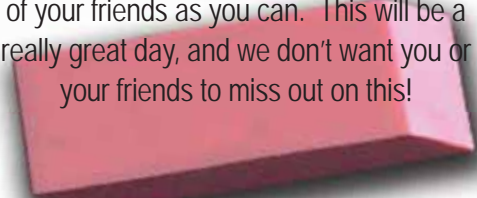
August 29 - Kindness



Back to School Bash

Sunday, September 12th

during The Bridge (3rd service) we will have a back to school bash. We will have a great time of food and fun. Invite as many of your friends as you can. This will be a really great day, and we don't want you or your friends to miss out on this!





Student Ministry

Kiley Garrison - Student Minister
 kiley@secondchurchofchrist.org



The Bridge,

Sundays 10:15 a.m.



Series "Check It Out"

August 1 - A quick look at God's Book!

What is it anyway?

August 8 - A quick look at God's Book!

What is it to me?

August 15 - 24/7 (TBA)

August 22 - 24/7 (TBA)

August 29 - 24/7 (TBA)



Some Facts that are Hard to Swallow

Last month, at the CIY MOVE Conference, our high school students were confronted with the water crisis that is affecting millions of people globally. DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- 1 out of 6 people on earth don't have access to clean drinking water?
- on average, women in Asia and Africa walk 4 miles every day to collect water.
- the water crisis claims more lives through disease than any war claims through guns?
- more people in the world have cell phones than access to a toilet?
- you use more water taking a 5-minute shower than a typical person in a developing country uses in an entire day?
- at any given time, 50% of the world's hospital beds are occupied by people suffering from water-related diseases?

The Bible in HD

Do you want to understand the Bible better? Would you like to find tools and learn methods that will help you study the Bible on your own? "The Bible in HD" is a six-week adult, beginner class for people who want a clearer picture of God's Word. Understand the role of Scripture in the life of a believer. Learn why the Bible is unique and how it came together. Get a big picture overview of both the Old and New Testaments, and find tools that will help you get more out of your Bible-reading.

The Bible in HD will meet at 11:30 on Sunday mornings, beginning September 12th – October 17th.

Water Park Fun AUGUST 6TH

Leave the church at 8:45 a.m. and return to the church at 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$7 plus money for lunch at the concession stand. Bring a modest swimsuit, towel, and sunscreen and invite your friends. Email Terry- terry@secondchurchofchrist.org if you want to go.



Many of our students were moved to act in order to make a difference in some small way. The high school student ministry has decided to partner with Children's Relief International and have a goal of giving and raising \$3,100 to dig a well that will supply clean water for a village in Mozambique, Africa. We hope to do this by the end of September.

While the students have already given several hundred dollars toward this project, we know that

we will need the help of others to make this happen. In September, we are planning a Walk-a-Thon to help raise money for this project. If a student asks you to sponsor them, please consider saying yes with a financial gift of some kind.

High School "Crazy Love" Study

On Wednesday nights, the high school group is studying the book "Crazy Love" by Francis Chan. We meet in the Cafe at 2CC from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Here's our schedule for August.

- August 4 – Not meeting due to Atlanta Mission Trip
- August 11 – Read Chapter 7
- August 18 – Serving at St. James Food Pantry
- August 25 – Read Chapter 8



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THANKS to all of you who came to S.B.V. with me this year. I had a great time! Hope you did too!





WIDOW'S MIGHT - Thursday, August 12th, at 12:00 p.m. in the Cafe. Devotions by Hope Johnson. Lunch will be a baked potato bar, tossed salad and dessert. The program is "I Love Music." Mark your calendar now and plan to join us!

WIDOW'S MIGHT

SINGLES @ SECOND

SINGLES @ SECOND- Friday, August 27th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Subway on S. Gilbert. After eating together, we will go to Illini Skateland for our annual Putt Putt tournament. Come and join us for a fun evening.

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BOOK CLUB - Monday, August 23rd, at 6:30 p.m. at Judy's house. The book for August is *The Shape of Mercy* by Susan Meissner. Read the book and come share in the prayer, discussion, fun, food & fellowship.

book club



EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN CONFERENCE - is October 8th and 9th, in Ft. Wayne, IN. If you have not yet paid for your ticket (\$59.00 made out to the Church - but give to Judy) then you are seriously late. Please take care of that as soon as possible. When everyone's payment has been received, further information, times, other costs, etc will be sent to you.

CONFERENCE

Looking Ahead

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THESE UPCOMING EVENTS: there are 2 events

coming up in September & October that you will want to attend:

September 21st the Catlin Church will be hosting **"THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED" - A MIDWEST SENIORS CONFERENCE.** The program begins at 8:00 a.m., will be over at 3:00 p.m. and the cost is \$15.00 before Aug. 31st and \$20.00 after. Bob Russell from Southeast Christian Church, Louisville, KY will be the speaker. Praise & Worship led by Mike & Connie Percifield and special music by Common Bond Quartet from Mt. Sterling, KY. Call Bernice McCoy for further information.

PLEASANT MEADOWS BAZAAR AND LUNCHEON... Thursday and Friday, Sept. 30th & Oct 1st. The Bazaar is Sept. 30th, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Oct. 1st from 9:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. The luncheon is Sept. 30th at 12:00 p.m. Please bring a salad to share. The featured speaker this year is Kendra Mizer from Monclova, OH. The church Van will leave at 10:30 a.m. For more information, please call Bernice McCoy.

coming up:



MEALS ON WHEELS....our current Meals On Wheels schedule runs out in September. If you are interested in delivering meals again or in joining this Ministry, please contact Judy right away. We deliver the same Route every Tuesday and Friday. You would sign up for one month and can deliver either one or both of the days. Call Judy for more information.

meals on wheels

SUMMER SALAD SUPPER...Thursday, Aug. 26th. Please plan to come and join us for this evening of entertainment. You will enjoy our guest speaker - Julie Garris - from Joplin, MO. You will need a ticket, although there is no cost for it, and you will need to bring a salad to share. The supper will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Ladies summer

salad supper

OVERNIGHT WOMEN'S TRIP.....

If there is enough interest, we would like to try a two-day trip to the Longaberger Basket area in Dresden, OH during September. We will tour the factory, visit the seven story "basket" office building, enjoy the "Terrific Tuesdays" specials (*everything from 2 for 1 meal prices to actually making your own basket*) and lots of shopping. If you are interested, please call Sue at 442-7555.

OVERNIGHT WOMEN'S TRIP

LADIES CRAFT NIGHT...

Tuesday, October 5th. This is a fun time and you are invited to come and share in it. You can choose from several different crafts to make and enjoy the fellowship while doing so. For further information about our Craft Night, contact Sue Gibson.

craft night



YOUNG @ HEART, will not be meeting in August.

Look for September's plans soon!

Love Inc.

MISSION:Good Samaritan arm of churches, not just giving a hand out, we're giving a hand up—making difference in their lives.

HISTORY: Love Inc. is new to Vermillion County, it connects those in need with churches that can help them. Each supporting church has an area of service and Love Inc. directs people to them, organizing the effort.

SECOND CONNECTIONS: Second is committed to joining forces and being one of the area churches providing support.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU: Love Inc. is looking for volunteers, donations, any kind of help that you would like to provide. This is a volunteer run organization with a paid director.

National Web site: <http://loveinc.org>



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Love In the Name of Christ



TIME TO GET CRAFTY!



WELCOME to our Church Family

BAPTISMS

- June 25th Katie Maynard
- June 27th Adam Lyons
- July 4th Mat Bowen III
- July 9th Kelly Lawrence

TRANSFERS

- July 18th Lois Hensley

Our monthly meeting will be in the Cafe, Tuesday, August 10th, at 7:00 p.m.

Brother's Keeper



We will no longer be taking or delivering furniture as part of our ministry. We are, however, still taking donations for basic household items such as paper goods, blankets, pillows, towels, pots & pans & dishes. We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our valuable ministry. Any questions about the group, call Marie Anderson, 442-7415, or Barb Calvin, 442-7306.

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Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 5:00 pm
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Our Deepest Sympathy

To Harold Esworthy in the death of his wife, Dorothy Esworthy.
To Barbara Shideler in the death of her sister.
To Patrick & Cynthia Harrington in the death of his brother, Brent.
To Paul and Linda Woodworth in the death of his brother, Mark.
To the families of Leslie Holycross, Mary Newman and Laurie Oreskovich in the death of their father, Bob Collins.



Extreme Couponing FREE CLASS

Learn how to maximize your savings at grocery and drug stores by combining coupons with store sales and specials.

DISCOVER: how to obtain many items for free, paying only sales tax.

Second Church of Christ Tuesday, 8/10/10

FIND: where to print coupons on the internet along with many other ways the internet can help you to save big.

LEARN: how to build a stockpile so that you never pay retail for frequently used items.



This class is free, but registration is necessary so that handouts can be prepared.
Please call Anita Walter: 217-446-0174 or 217-597-9295

facts 'n' figures

building FUND

Total to date:
\$226,122.08



Designated Building Fund giving is now included in the Average Tithes/Offerings amount and reflected in our Weekly Need total.

- Weekly need: \$3,681.00
- Monthly payment: \$15,950.00
- Loan balance as of July 20, 2010 \$1,311,458.32

SUNDAY MORNING

Attendance	6/20	6/27	7/4	7/11	7/18
1 st Worship	127	135	135	157	142
2 nd Worship	268	306	182	209	236
3 rd Worship	440	422	485	538	563
4 th Worship	122	107	126	124	127
Total	957	970	928	1,028	1,068
A.B.F. Attendance	144	122	150	137	169

Average Offering Received

to meet operating costs & mortgage payment

- 6/20/2010 - \$29,034.53
- 6/27/2010 - \$28,997.55
- 7/4/2010 - \$29,462.50
- 7/11/2010 - \$28,890.01
- 7/18/2010 - \$28,801.72
- weekly need is \$26,533.82

ELDERS

- Dean Crandall
- Bob Haas
- Bill Knight
- Art Reeves
- Ed Walter
- Steve Walter
- Brice Yates





**THIS MONTH MARK YOUR
CALENDARS AND
DON'T MISS OUT!
august 2010**

- SUNDAYS Worship Services
TUESDAYS OASIS
July 31st to August 7th Sr. High Mission Trip
1st Promotion Sunday
6th Jr. High Water Park Trip
8th Golf Outing
10th Brother's Keeper
10th Extreme Coupon Class
12th Widow's Might
16th Back to the Streets Ministry
21st Summer@Second Picnic @ HRCA
23rd Book Club
24th Pleasant Meadow's
26th Ladies Summer Salad Supper
27th Singles @ Second
29th Golf Outing

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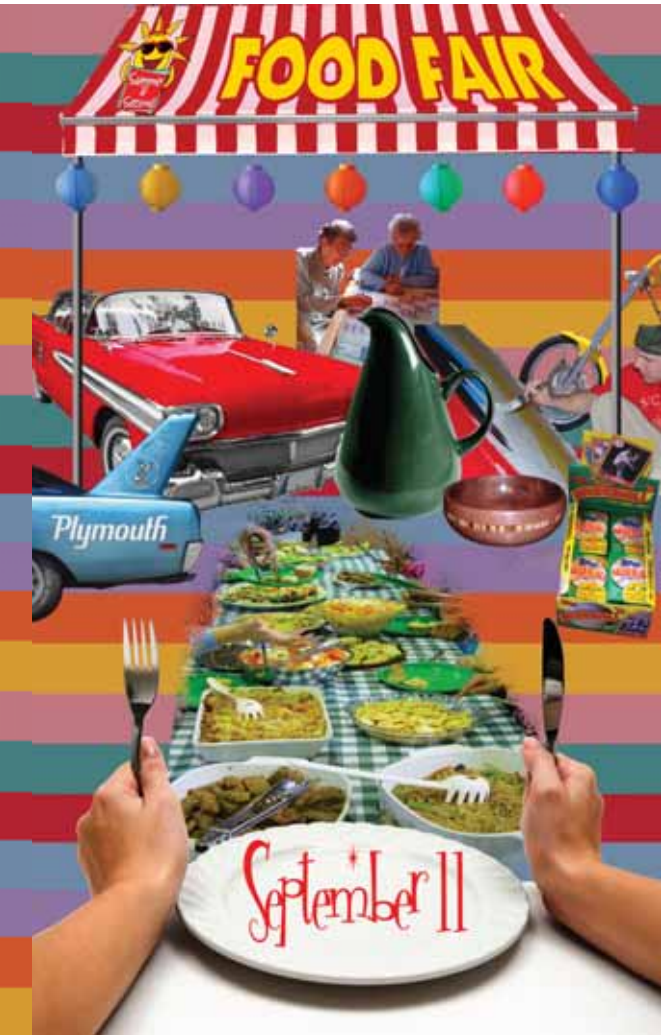
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**SUMMER@SECOND
AUGUST PICNIC**

I love Summer Time @ 2CC

picnic
August 21st
@ HRCA

Join 2CC at Hanging Rock for a day of play. Our annual church picnic is Saturday, August 21st, 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (IL time) Your family can swim, zip-line, hike, ride the train or join us in some team sports, kick ball, volleyball, putt-putt or just enjoy the weather under the trees. Bring a side dish or desert to share. We will provide the meat. Watch for sign-ups soon! You won't want to miss this event!