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In His Steps

1 Peter 2

Lunch Fellowship Next Sunday September 8



Everyone is invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall after Life Groups next Sunday. *You are encouraged to bring a favorite dish to the kitchen in the Fellowship Hall before the Worship Service begins. We appreciate the variety of food our church family supplies.* The ladies who are volunteering in the kitchen will warm up your dish according to your directions, if needed.

NEW Women's Bible Study

relational apologetics

Begins September 11

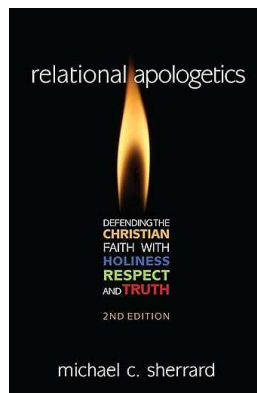
This class will meet on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Come at 9:00 a.m. for extra sharing time.



You will need to purchase this book online through outlets like ChristianBooks.com or Amazon.com or order through your local bookstore.

Please read the **Preface** and **chapters 1 & 2**, answer the questions for those chapters at the end of the book, and be ready to discuss them at our first meeting on September 11 in the Library.

Contact Sue DeForest or the office for further information.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BLAST



6:00PM Family Dinner (donations appreciated)

6:45PM **SALTY YOUTH** grades 9-12

WARRIORS FOR CHRIST grades 6-8

Boys Club grades K-5

Girls Club grades K-5

Preschool 3-5 years old

Maguire State Mission Offering Week of Prayer September 8-15



God is doing incredible things across our state through the Send Network Florida partnership with the North American Mission Board. As you give generously to the Maguire State Mission Offering, you are providing financial support to begin new churches here in Florida where our population is vastly increasing every year.

Why new churches? Because 75% of Florida's 22.2 million population—16.7 million—do not have a saving relationship with Jesus Christ. With your faithful giving and through your prayers, we can do *More for The Kingdom*. (Prayer Guides and Giving Envelopes in the Sept. 8 bulletin.)

100% of the State Mission Offering will be earmarked for church planting. No funds are allocated for administration or promotion.

CPF Calendar

Sunday, September 1

- 9:00 am Worship
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)
10:30 am Life Groups

Monday, September 2—Labor Day

Church office closed

Wednesday, September 4

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study
6:00 pm WNB Supper (all welcome, donation appreciated)
6:45 pm Wednesday Night BLAST
groups from 3 years—12th grade

Thursday, September 5

- 9:30 am Prayer Circle (see back)
7:00 pm Payne Life Group (see back)

Sunday, September 8

Week of Prayer—Maguire State Offering

- 9:00 am Worship
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)
10:30 am Life Groups
11:40 am Fellowship Lunch

Monday, September 9

- 9:30 am BSF Ladies

Tuesday, September 10

- 8:45 am Compassion Center (Palmetto)

Wednesday, September 11

- 7:00 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
9:00 am Wednesday Women (see back)
6:00 pm WNB Supper (all welcome, donation appreciated)
6:45 pm Wednesday Night BLAST
groups from 3 years—12th grade



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Children's Church (4 years through 5th grade) dismisses from the sanctuary following the music portion of the worship service.



Age-appropriate Life Groups for Babies through 12th grade meet at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Most meet on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly

Day	Time	Topic/Group	Leader/Contact	Location
Sun	10:30 am	<i>I Am a Church Member</i>	James Arcuri	Room 7
	10:30 am	Adult Coed— <i>Romans</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Younger Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i>	David Moss	Basement
	10:30 am	Women— <i>1 John</i>	Lois Ann Swineford	Room 1
Wed	7:00 am	Men — <i>Hebrews</i>	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
	9:30 am	Women—Relational Apologetics	Sue DeForest	Library (Room 1)
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle (<i>Hope Seeds</i> follows)	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg. Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg. "Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage..

Several other groups, including Ministry Teams, meet **monthly** or **bi-weekly**. Please check our calendar on the website for information about those groups.

GIVING INFORMATION:

Our Donation Buckets are by the doors leading to the lobby

You may give online at our website or use our giving app: **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement**, available from your mobile app store. You can also give by creating payments through your bank, or simply drop a check (or cash) in an offering bucket as you leave today.

Giving Note: The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority. However, in accordance with IRS/ governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all gifts..

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⁴And

coming to Him as to a living stone,
rejected by men, but choice and precious in the sight of God,

⁵you also, as living stones, are being built up

as a spiritual house
for a holy priesthood,

to offer up spiritual sacrifices* acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

⁶For *this* is contained in Scripture:

"Behold I lay in Zion a choice stone, a precious corner *stone*,
And he who believes in Him shall not be disappointed."

⁷This precious value, then, is for you who believe.

But for those who disbelieve,

"The stone which the builders rejected, This became the very corner *stone*,"

⁸and,

"A stone of stumbling and a rock of offense";

for they stumble because they are disobedient to the word,
and to this *doom* they were also appointed.

⁹But you are

a chosen race,

a royal priesthood,

a holy nation,

a people for *God's* own possession,

that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him *

who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

¹⁰for you once were not a people, but now you are the people of God;
you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

¹¹Beloved,

I urge you

as aliens and strangers

to abstain from fleshly lusts, ¹

which wage war against the soul.

¹²keep(ing) your behavior excellent among the Gentiles,

so that

in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers,

they may

on account of your good deeds,

as they observe *them*,

glorify God in the day of visitation.

¹³Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution, ²

whether to a king as the one in authority,

¹⁴or to governors as sent by him

for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right.

¹⁵For such is the will of God

that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men.

¹⁶~~Act~~

as free men,

and ~~do~~ not use(ing) your freedom as a covering for evil,

but ~~use it~~ as bondslaves of God.

¹⁷Honor all men;

love the brotherhood,

fear God,

honor the king.

¹⁸Servants,

be(ing) submissive to your masters* ³

with all respect,

not only to those who are good and gentle,

but also to those who are unreasonable.

¹⁹For this *finds* favor,

if for the sake of conscience toward God a man bears up under sorrows
when suffering unjustly.

²⁰For what credit is there if,

when you sin and are harshly treated,
you endure it with patience?

But if

when you do what is right and suffer *for it*
you patiently endure it, this *finds* favor with God.

²¹For you have been called for this purpose,
since Christ also suffered for you,

leaving you an example for you to **follow in His steps ***,

²²who committed no sin,

nor was any deceit found in His mouth;

²³and while being reviled, He did not revile in return;

while suffering, He uttered no threats,

but kept entrusting *Himself* to Him who judges righteously;

²⁴and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross,
that we might die to sin and live to righteousness;
for by His wounds you were healed.

²⁵For you were continually straying like sheep,
but now you have returned

to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

Footnotes

¹ **Galatians 5:16** ...walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.

¹⁷ For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.

¹⁹ Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,

²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,

²¹ envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you just as I have forewarned you that those who practice such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

²⁴ Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

²⁶ Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another.

² **Romans 13:1** Let every person be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God.

² Therefore he who resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves.

³ For rulers are not a cause of fear for good behavior, but for evil. Do you want to have no fear of authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same;

⁴ for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath upon the one who practices evil.

³ **Ephesians 6:5** Slaves, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in the sincerity of your heart, as to Christ;

⁶ not by way of eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart.

⁷ With good will render service, as to the Lord, and not to men,

⁸ knowing that whatever good thing each one does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether slave or free.

⁹ And, masters, do the same things to them, and give up threatening, knowing that both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no partiality with Him.

* implied command

All scripture is from the NASV. 1 Peter is in the form of a phrase by phrase break down. The words and word order have not been changed except where indicated.