

2012 Adult Bible Elective Series

These classes will be offered in place of our regular Adult Bible Fellowships beginning Jan 1st and concluding Feb 26th. Whether you are currently involved in an ABF or not, we invite you to join us in one of the following classes.

Topic: Jonah: The Prophet of God

Teacher: Mark Sybrant

Location: Fellowship Hall

While it may appear that we can run or hide from God, we are only fooling ourselves. Our role may not be as dramatic as Jonah's but we have a duty to God to carry it out to the best of our ability. Do you feel you have been swallowed up?

Topic: Sermon on the Mount

Teacher: Peter Hafner

Location: Building 1, Rm D

The Sermon on the Mount may be one of the best known sections of the entire Bible. Yet it is also one of the least understood and applied in today's church. It is not a sermon about an ideal life in an ideal world, but a life to be lived through the grace of God to reveal the gospel of God to a fallen world. The sermon reveals to us what it means to be a Christian, what is a righteous lifestyle, what our relationship should be like—with God, family, fellow believers and the world. Jesus teaches us how to pray, worship, deal with anxiety and live. Come and build your house on a solid foundation.

Topic: Helping Without Hurting

Teacher: Larry Green

Location: Music Room

How to alleviate poverty without hurting the poor and yourself...How to transform our good intentions into genuine change. This class will help those already involved in helping ministries. Approximate cost for the book is \$10

Topic: Little House on the Freeway: Help for the Hurried Home

Teacher: Pastor Ed Sutter

Location: Chapel

If you ever feel as though your schedule is hurried, your expectations are extraordinary and you and your family's commitments are too many to count, this class is for you. The class is not about going back in time to the "Little House on the Prairie", but it is about recognizing the challenges that come from having your house close to the freeway of life. It's about finding balance between busyness and rest. Video Assisted.

Topic: Outlive Your Life

Teacher: Pastor Al Perkins

Location: Building 1, Rm B

These are difficult days in our world's history. The poor, hunger, disease are affecting people every day. God has given us an opportunity to make a big difference. What if we rocked the world with hope? We are created by a great God to do great works. He invited us to outlive our lives, not just in heaven, but here on earth. Learn to live your life in such a way that the world will be glad you did. This class is intended for those taking first steps to reaching out to those in need in our community.

Topic: What's Your Version?

Teacher: Dave Crockett

Location: Building 1, Rm A

Most church doctrinal positions, concerning the Bible, make the following statement: "We believe in the Verbal (word for word), Plenary (total) inspiration of the scriptures in their original writings". How do we know these ancient biblical words in your version are true for us today? In this study you will learn the why, how, and accuracy of the Bible in your hand.

Topic: Marriage 101

Teacher: Kirk Robinson

Location: Room 201

This course goes straight to the heart of the crucial issues that face marriages today. In this class you will deal with marital expectations, communication, emotional intimacy, personality differences, conflict resolution, spiritual intimacy, relating with money and sexual intimacy. Great course for newly married couples and seasoned veterans. Video Assisted.

Topic: Exercising Faith During Financial Challenges

Teacher: Mikeal Davis

Location: Conference Room

This class will look at contemporary issues facing the American economy and our personal finances. These issues can rock our faith in God, or strengthen it. Develop your faith so that you can walk through challenging times.

WALK THRU THE BIBLE IN 2012

Do you want to read and reflect through the entire Bible in 2012? One of the best tools to do that is *Walk Thru the Bible's Daily Walk*. Not only does it give you a reading schedule, but an overview of what you will be reading. We have received January's edition free so that you can get started. If you want to continue after January, inside the guide are instructions about placing an order so that they come directly to your home.

Free copies are available at the information counter in the church lobby.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Adult Elective Series.....Jan 1-Feb 26

Christian Community Classes

Sunday, January 15, 3pm- 7pm

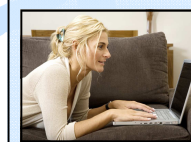
Look for registration forms in the Sunday bulletin or call the church office at 503.623.8034. *Light supper and childcare are provided.* Interested in the classes, but can't make it this date? Please contact the church office.

Annual Business Mtg & Potluck.....Jan 22

Bring a main dish & side or dessert to share. Potluck will begin at 11:45 with the business meeting to follow at 12:30.

Palm Sunday Baptism..... Apr 1

Easter Sunday Apr 8



Check out Faith Free's Website

www.faithfreechurch.org

If you haven't received your email invitation to the member login, email Jill at j.wyatt@faithfreechurch.org.

You can connect to your ABF, Small Group, access our member directory and your giving statements online. You will also find a link to our [online calendar](#) and all kinds of information about Faith Free. Check it out today!

Missionary Link

by Tyler Church

Gail Posenjak is thankful for the faithfulness of others to pray for her needs. The school term has ended and the students and teachers are all ready for a break. They are looking forward to celebrating Christmas. Gail asks for prayer for the school as they seek teachers for next year. Please pray that the many holes in their teaching staff will be filled soon. She also asks for prayer for herself as this time of year tends to make her homesick for her family.

Murray and Paula Friesen Praises: The Friesen's will be looking after the NTM guest house in Lae for 2 1/2 weeks. NTM is in the process of selling this property and the couple who served as the guest house managers have gone back to Ireland. Leadership doesn't want to leave the property vacant, so they have asked for volunteers to spend two weeks at the guest house. The Friesen's will be there over Christmas, which will give them a change of scenery, at no cost to them (normally the cost would be about \$40 per night and the cost of driving to Lae would be over \$400). The girls are done with school, this has been a much improved first term as compared to last year. Praise for the peace they are experiencing in the situations in which they find themselves.

Prayer: The country of PNG is currently experiencing political turmoil. As of last week there were two men both claiming to be Prime Minister of the country, and the Governor General has been replaced by Parliament. So far it has been fairly peaceful, but the elements are there to turn this into an ugly situation. Pray for their time in Lae, for safety there (they will be the only NTM'ers in the city), and safety while they travel. Pray for their financial situation. Their support level is currently only about 45% of the NTM recommended support level for the PNG field. Due to the rising value of the PNG Kina against all other currencies, and high inflation, they have seen costs rise there by close to 20% this year. If they are not able to increase their support level, they don't see how they can continue to stay here beyond this school year. Please pray for wisdom and guidance as they consider their future.

JANUARY 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 New Year's Day <u>Pastor AI - Vacation</u> 8:00 AM Prayer Event (bldg 1) 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM SS & ABF Classes	2 <u>Pastor AI - Vacation</u>	3 Office Closed for Holiday <u>Pastor AI - Vacation</u> 6:30 PM Discipleship Team Mtg-(Conf. Rm)	4 <u>Pastor AI - Vacation</u> 9:00 AM & 7PM WM Winter Bible Study (Bldg1) 9:00 AM Made to Crave (HH,GG) 6:30 PM Jr High (bldg3, FMC)	5 <u>Pastor AI - Vacation</u> 7:00 PM Outreach Mtg (Conf Rm) 7:00 PM Praise Practice	6 <u>Pastor AI - Vacation</u>	7 8:00 AM Zumba Fitness (Bldg1)
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15 8:00 AM Prayer Event (bldg 1) 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:30 AM SS & ABF Classes 3:00 PM Christian Cmty Classes (Chpl, music rm, Conf rm) 7:00 PM Youth Ministry Night (Bldg 3)	16	17 7:00 PM Leadership Community Night (Chap)	18 9:00 AM & 7PM WM Winter Bible Study (Bldg1) 9:00 AM Made to Crave (HH,GG) 5:30 PM Women's Book Study (Starbucks) 6:00 PM VFW Color Guard (FMC) 6:30 PM Jr High (bldg3, FMC)	19 7:00 PM Missionary Prayer (Prayer Room) 7:00 PM Praise Practice	20	21 8:00 AM Zumba Fitness (Bldg1)
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