



CONCORD

FEBRUARY 26, 2012



"IMITATORS"

Romans 15:1-6

Pastor Lanny McFarland

Believer's Baptism

Ryan Miller

WELCOME! First time here?

THANKS for being our guest!

We trust you will experience God in worship. As our guest, your participation in the offering is at your discretion. Please stop by the Welcome Center in the Atrium and pick up a special gift; also, CDs of today's service are available in the office.

CONCORD'S NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY

TIME IS RUNNING OUT...

ONLY 3 DAYS LEFT: FEB. 27, 28, 29 (25+ appointment times remain)

If you have not done so, PLEASE make your appointment NOW!

(Those families photographed will receive a **FREE copy of the directory and a \$25 photo certificate**—additional photos may be purchased.)

You may **sign-up online** thru the CONCORD website, www.concordlife.com.

OR SIGN UP BY PHONE @ 1.800.866.2263;

our church contract number is 67222.

CONCORD ON MISSION

THE SHOEMAN PROJECT

Feb. 26-Mar. 21, we will be collecting shoes, old and new, for the *SHOEMAN PROJECT*, a plan to turn shoes into clean water for the people of Kenya. The shoes are sold to a wholesaler and they serve two purposes: the people of Kenya have shoes to purchase, and the proceeds help to build wells in villages and regions that have no clean water. This affects their general health and quality of life and their everyday eating and drinking capabilities. Just bring your shoes, in any condition, and leave them in the **barrel in the Atrium marked *SHOES FOR KENYA***. They will **also accept old cell phones and accessories**. Place those in the **barrel marked *PHONES FOR WATER***. Thank you for your participation!

OUR NEXT MISSION TRIP TO JOPLIN, MO

IS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 26-31.

Please contact Carolyn Amen @314.843.3500

for more info, or to sign up.



THE CONCORD CHURCH FAMILY & STAFF

EXTENDS SYMPATHY TO:

Jim & Anne Newton & Family on the loss of his mother
Allen & Lainie Decker & Family on the loss of her mother

February 26, 2012

"IMITATORS"

Romans 15:1-6

KEY POINT: *"Even the Messiah did not please Himself."* Romans 15:3

I. Imitate Jesus Through Serving. Verse 1.

Matthew 20:28

"From now on, any definition of a successful life has to include serving others." George W. Bush at Washington University, St. Louis.

Philippians 2:3-4.

II. Imitate Jesus Through Community. Verses 2-5, 7.

A. *Community* is pleasing our neighbor.
Colossians 3:16. Verse 2.

B. *Community* is like-mindedness. Verses 4-5.

C. *Community* is accepting others. Verse 7.

III. Imitate Jesus Through Unity. Verse 6.

February 26, 2012
LIFE Group Questions/Discussion
"IMITATORS"
Romans 15:1-6

Knowing Each Other

After this week's LG meeting, there will only be two weeks left in our winter session. Evaluate how this session has gone. What would you like to be different once the spring (yes, it is almost spring!) session begins?

Discuss some of the people you have imitated throughout your life. Don't limit it to just childhood. What attracted you to them?

Learning From Scripture

Interact with Philippians 2:3-4. Does it mean anything different to you than what was spoken during the message?

Read Romans 15:4-5. Discuss what kind of impact, if any, studying the Scriptures has had in your life.

Read Romans 15:6. In conjunction with this verse, the story was told of the children of Israel, some two million strong, coming to Mt. Sinai led by Moses: After Moses had spoken with the elders, all the people responded together, "*We will do all that the Lord has spoken.*" Had you been there, what do you think that experience might have been like? How could that potentially impact our understanding of Verse 6?

Living Out Truth

Think about one area in which you know the Lord is calling you to serve, whether in our church family or in the community. What do you think has kept you from it?

If you do not have a personal Bible study time, apart from LG, consider beginning one this week.



**SENIOR ADULT MIDDAY SERVICE,
THIS THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 11:00 AM,**

Mark your calendars! Please STOP IN, OR, call the office, **by Monday, Feb. 27**, to make your reservations for lunch, \$5 per person.

CONCORD W.E.E. School is accepting applications for staff teaching positions for the 2012-13 school year. Positions will be open for **assistant teacher, lead teacher, music/gross motor teacher, and substitute teachers.** *Please contact Linda Conrad at (314) 843-3500, Ext. 241 or lindac@concordlife.com to get an application.* All applications must be submitted **by Sunday, March 25**, to be considered.

WORSHIP & FINE ARTS MINISTRY

MULTI-GENERATIONAL EASTER CHOIR - Grade School thru Adult; rehearsals **begin Wednesday, March 7, at 7:30 PM.** For more details, mark your "Let's Get Acquainted Card", or contact Pastor Brian at the church office.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING, Feb. 29, DINNER MENU:
(served 5-6:00 PM)**

POT LUCK DINNER; please bring a salad, veggie, or dessert. **RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED:** If you do not have a permanent reservation, you may stop in the office **TODAY**, or **call by 4 PM Monday (314.843.3500).**



NEW CONNECTION CLASS

AGES 18-25, 11:00 AM, ROOM 307

A new Connection Class for those **around the ages of 18-25 meets each Sunday at 11:00 AM, in Room 307.** We'll be taking a look at the ***Epistle of James*** which has appropriately been called the "*how-to-book*" of the Christian life. *Contact Tynetta Chastain at chastain.tc@gmail.com with questions, or for further information.*

CONCORD

FEBRUARY 26, 2012

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

9:30 AM Aerobics / Exercise, Rm. 203/204 (also meets Tues. & Thurs.)

7:00 PM *Treasure Seekers* Rm. 221; *DivorceCare* Rm. 229; *GriefShare*, Rm. 230

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29

5:00 PM Wednesday Evening **POTLUCK** Dinner (**for reservations, please stop in the office TODAY, or call by 4:00 PM Monday**)

6:30 PM Choir/Orch., *DiscipleLife*, CSM (Gr. 6-8), KFC (Gr. K-5), Preschool Activ.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

11:00 AM Sr. Adult Midday Service & Lunch

SUNDAY, MARCH 4

8:00 AM *Early Bird* multi-generational Connection Class, Rm. 229

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Connection Classes (Bible Study) for ALL ages

9:45 AM Worship Celebration for ALL ages, Kindergarten & up

6:30 PM CSM (Gr. 9-12), Rafters

As of February 19, 2012

BUDGET (Fiscal Year-to-Date)

Required	1,457,282
Given	1,401,268
Expenditures	1,358,136

WEEKLY OFFERING

Offerings/Tithes	32,470
------------------	--------

OUR PURPOSE: To fulfill the Great Commandment

OUR VISION: To be in community with God

OUR MISSION: Connecting the hearts of people
to the heart of God through loving relationships
and the word of God

13775 Tesson Ferry Road, St. Louis, Missouri 63128

Phone: 314.843.3500 Fax: 314.843.2983
concordlife.com