

Heritage Family News



A Community of Faith for the Generations

“SOMETIMES IT IS, BUT RIGHT NOW IT’S NOT!” - BY PASTOR MONTY NEWTON

One of my favorite MASH episodes is the one in which Colonel Potter, in an attempt to boost morale among the troops, conjures up a MASH 4077 Olympics event. The MASH unit is divided into two teams and Colonel Potter proudly announces, “Let the games begin!”

My favorite competition is the tug-of-war. Hawkeye, B.J. Honeycut, Radar, Hot Lips Hoolihan, Frank Burns, Klingers and others holding a rope... a big and very muddy puddle separates the two teams. The tug-of-war is a huge struggle but one side eventually prevails and the other team is drug into the wallow.

A tug-of-war is one way to think of the struggles that go on in our lives. Most of us know something of the tug of opposing tensions and concerns and the making of right decisions. Sometimes having made a poor choice we find ourselves being drug through a muddy wallow. Other times we choose well and avoid defeat and the messiness that accompanies a bad decision.

Eugene Peterson captures the essence of this inner tug-of-war in his paraphrase of Romans 7:18ff, “I can will it, but I can’t do it. I decide to do good, but I don’t really do it; I decide to not do bad, but then I do it anyway. Something has gone wrong deep within me and I am at the end of my rope. Is there anyone who can do anything for me? The answer, thank God, is that Jesus Christ can. He acted to

set things right in this life of contradictions which I want to serve God with my heart and mind, but am pulled by the influence to sin and do something totally different.”

There is no time like these final weeks of the Lenten Season that will bring us through Passion Week with the betrayal of Christ and his crucifixion to do the hard work of reflecting on our lives, repenting of what is wrong and returning to God with renewed hearts awakened by the news of Christ’s victory over sin and death on Easter morning.

Over the years I’ve been given some really good advice but I’ve found that some of the advice I’ve received simply is not true. I remember reading Robert Fulghum’s book, *Everything I Ever Needed to Know, I Learned in Kindergarten* and thinking, “That just isn’t so!”

The early bird doesn’t always get the worm. The race may not always go to the fleetest of foot but in my experience, more often the not, the rabbit outruns the turtle. We probably need to look before we leap because once we’ve leapt we’re going to land... and there is nothing like a bad landing. However, as it turns out, one of the biggest hoaxes is the adage, “It’s never too late.” Well, sometimes it is.

One Sunday evening I asked the students what they could learn from their elders and then we read from Ecclesiastes who advised, “Don’t let the excitement of your youth cause you to

forget your Creator. Honor him in your youth before you grow old and no longer enjoy living. It will be too late to remember him...”

Because the writer of Ecclesiastes was wise he taught everything he knew and in the end this is what he said, “Here is my final conclusion: Fear God and obey his commands, for this is the duty of every person...” Sounds like “a-work-to-the-wise” to me.

I cannot honestly say that it is never too late because sometimes it is... but I can say that right now, it’s not too late.

May God be with and bless you as you walk with Christ these final days of the Lenten Season in anticipation of Celebrating the Good News that Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

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Easter Calendar

Good Friday Service

April 22nd—7 PM

Please plan to come to our
Good Friday Service
and hear the choir present:

"Known By the Scars"

The timeless story of the cross,
based on the death
of our Lord and Savior is a
message that never changes.
Please invite your family
and neighbors.

Holy Communion will be served.

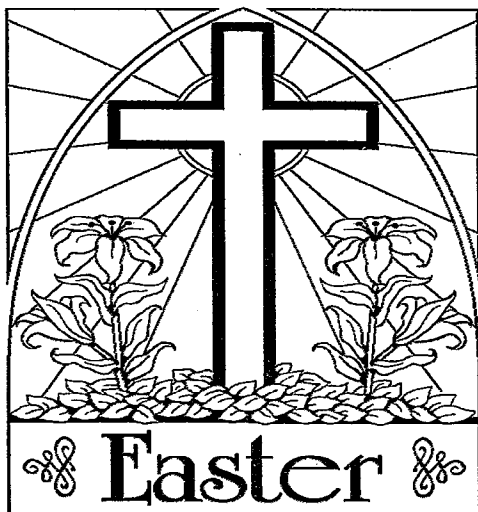
Easter Breakfast

Everyone is invited to the
Youth Easter Breakfast
on Sunday, Easter morning,
April 24th from 9:30-10:15 AM.

This breakfast is free and
hosted by the Youth Group.

There will be baskets available
for donations to the
Youth Group of Heritage.

*(The Café will not
be open on Easter)*



*Easter Morning
Worship Service,
Sunday, April 24,
10:30 AM,
with
Holy Communion.*

Invite your family, friends and neighbors!!

For Your Information

General Budget Income And Attendance

**Our Weekly
Requirement for the
2011 Budget is:
\$ 6,153.85**

**February
Average Weekly
Income was:
\$ 5,584.54
Average Weekly
Attendance was:
178**

**March
Average Weekly
Income as of 3/20/11:
\$ 5,701.57
Average Weekly
Attendance was:
175**

Stephen Ministers are Here to Serve

Are you in need...of a caring Christian who will listen, empathize, encourage, pray, provide confidential care, and patiently support you as you work through a crisis or difficult time? OR...do you know someone, perhaps a friend, neighbor, co-worker, colleague, or relative who could benefit from this type of care? To learn more, contact one of our Stephen Leaders: Dinky Leigh at (303)424-8797, or Marilyn Ketterling at (303)659-2910 or (303)915-1335.



*(Please tear out
and mail to the church)*

ORDER FORM FOR

EASTER LILIES AND MUMS

I would like _____ Easter Lilies.

I would like _____ Mum plants.

Name: _____

In Memory Of: _____

OR

In Honor Of: _____

Cost: \$ 10.00 each

Phone: _____

**Include check payable to Heritage Community Bible Church.
Please order by April 13th**

Your purchase will benefit the Youth program of Heritage.

New Member Class:

**A New Member Class
will be held on Sunday,
April 3rd at 2 PM
for those interested
in becoming members
of Heritage Community
Bible Church. Please
call the church office—
303-420-6292
if you plan to attend.**

**Explorers again
has a storage
unit available for
donations for the
May Yard Sale if
you would like
to or need to
donate your
items early.
The code and
key is in the
church office.
Thank You!**

Outreach

Secrest News: Heritage, Covenant Village, and Secrest partnership:

Easter Food Baskets – 18 Easter food baskets, Heritage has provided a total of 58 food baskets since 2008. The 2011 Easter baskets will contain a 6 lb ham, scallop potatoes, green beans, corn, rolls, fruit cocktail & jello, lemonade and a loaf of bread, as well as the Resurrection plastic eggs, a stuffed animal and Kids Klub craft. Each basket costs approx. \$55. If you would like to donate to this project, please put your donation in the offering plate and mark it Secrest Easter. Thank you once again for your support.

May 7th Car Rally/10K walk/run - A good opportunity to connect with the Secrest families and neighborhood. Principal Chile is asking for Heritage help. He needs 12 volunteers to direct walkers/runners on the route, so they do not get lost. Only a two-hour commitment. Secrest is planning on filling their parking lot with vintage cars, a yard sale on the grass, BBQ, Silent Auction, and Bike Rodeo. They are partnering with Apex Rec Center, Sportsline and the Community Center, just north of Secrest. This is the second year Heritage has participated in this event. Please consider helping and spending a part of the day looking at the cars, and enjoying our community.

Spring Book Fair – April 13 (set up), April 14-19 (sell), April 20 (pack up)

Heritage contributes:

Concert (LOAS Grant) - April 6th at 5:30pm at Secrest – Honor Choir performs. Each child received a T-shirt and me too! Heritage is listed as one of the sponsors.

Library Book Shelves: Secrest needs more computers and workstations for their students and have redesigned an area of their library. Explorers were kind enough to purchase the materials necessary to build the shelves. The Librarian and the V.P. of PTA are working together to get the project completed. The children will paint the shelves.

Printer/cartridge/cell phones, etc. - Heritage continues to contribute; I take at least a box or more a month. The librarian stores them in her closet and a volunteer, prepares them and sends them on their way. Secrest gets the credit.

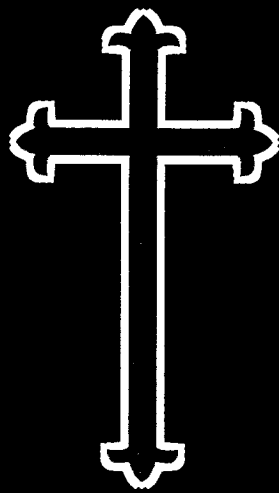
NEW REQUEST: Labels for Education - Campbell's soup cans, goldfish, and others have these labels, please look for them. Michelle, next year's PTA president currently cuts these labels into the correct size and tapes them on specific sheets to be sent in. She had "pages" she had completed and more to do when she showed them to me. Both the Labels for Education and Box top for Education can be put in the same containers. From the website: For more than 37 years, *Labels for Education* has been awarding free educational equipment to schools in exchange for proofs of purchase from the Campbell family of brands. It's a fun, easy program where students, families and members of the community work together for a common goal. Today, over 60,000 schools and organizations are registered with *Labels for Education*, benefiting more than 42 million students. Over the years, we've been able to provide more than \$110 million in merchandise to America's schools!

Box top for Education- We have been collecting these for awhile now. Please continue.

Schwan's Food - any item ordered from Schwan's, put Secrest's name/ID number 32748 on the order, and Secrest receives a percentage of the sale.

CiCi's Pizza- In February about the same amount was donated, \$150. They are looking into finding another day, as they have to share Thursdays with another school. Located at 88th & Harlan by Westminster Mall – 1st Thursday of every month, all day long, if you eat there, put your receipt in a basket with Secrest's name on it and Secrest gets a percentage of the sale. January, Secrest received approximately \$150.

Student Council – collected \$1,250 for Pennies for Patients by placing decorated jars by each classroom where people could drop their change. **From their website:** Since 1994, millions of dollars have been raised in pennies and other spare change by more than 10 million elementary, middle and high school students throughout the country. The funds, collected during a three-week period, benefit The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Everyone who participates is a winner! Students across the country are collecting pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters during the Pennies for Patients campaigns benefiting the Society. In the Pennies for Patients campaign, the class collecting the most change in each school receives a pizza party. Prizes such as computers, electronics and sports equipment are presented to the top schools in each area. The Pennies for Patients campaign began in the Society's North Carolina Chapter in 1995.



4th Annual Youth Group Chili Cook-Off

Heritage Community Bible Church

Sunday, April 10
11:45am

Tickets Sales: March 27!

\$5.00 Per Person

\$2.00 Per Child (under 12)

Free - Children under 5

CALLING ALL CHEFS!
Enter your Best Chili
recipe today!



- o Sign up By April 6
- o Call the church office at 303-420-6292 to enter
- o Prizes for Best Red and Green Chili

Proceeds from the Ticket Sales will support the Youth Group end of the year activity



www.heritagecommunity.net

Did You Know?

CHILI COOK-OFF

Wonder who were 1st place winners the last three years? Bea Ottercrans won the first year and Pastor Monty has won the last two years. The contest is on. WHO WILL WIN THIS YEAR? There will be prizes for each category, green or red chili. Start rallying your supporters!

1st place =

\$25 gift card Amazon

2nd place =

\$15 to Starbucks

3rd place =

\$10 gift card to Wal-Mart

Come and eat! Don't miss the Chili Cook-Off on Sunday, April 10th, after church. In addition to trying all the chili's, there will be hot dogs, chips, veggie trays and cornbread, something for everyone. There is no entry fee, bring your chili on Sunday morning and leave it at the kitchen with the staff. There will be a sign-up board in the Narthex for entries or you can call the church office at 303-420-6292. For those eating only, tickets are \$5 a person, \$2 for children under 12 and free to anyone under 5. See you there!

Take a Hike!!

Take a hike to support the ministry of Covenant Heights. Join the first Hike-a-thon on Saturday, June 11. The proceeds will be used to support the ministry of transforming lives.

GOAL: 50 or more hikers, raising a minimum of \$200 in pledges each from friends and family. That is only \$20 from 10 people.

HIKES: You will have your choice of 3 designated hikes varying in length and difficulty. Hike options are 1.5 miles (easy and almost entirely handicap accessible), 3.6 miles (moderate) or 5.9 miles (moderate/more difficult). Hikes include views of mountains, glacial formations, wild flowers and lakes. Some snacks and sack lunches will be provided. Come prepared with plenty of water.

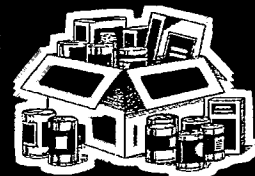
SCHEDULE: Meet at Covenant Heights no later than 9 AM. Hikers will be bused to the trailheads as the parking lots are regularly full in the summer. The event will finish with a BBQ dinner at Covenant Heights under the new pavilion.

CAMP THE NIGHT BEFORE: Come as early as 7 PM Friday night and camp in our campground. Those that choose to come Friday will have the chance to enjoy hanging out together at camp around the fire, eating s'mores, playing games and a light breakfast in the morning. Reserve your campsites. For more information or to join or sponsor go to www/FirstGiving.com/CovenantHeights

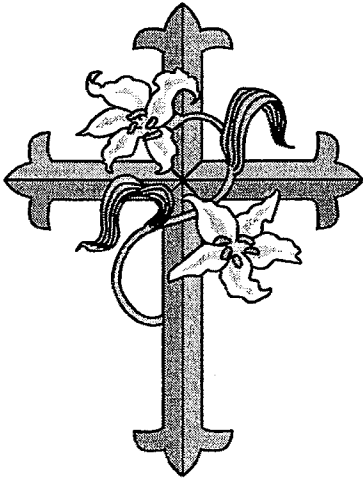
Advance Notice:

In order to give you lots of time and to challenge you to show your support of and care for our Missionary families, we are planning a "Card Shower". Please plan to participate in this shower of love for those who give their time and talents to serving Our Lord through their mission work here and abroad. Cards, along with names and addresses can be found in the Narthex. We will be mailing these cards by the end of April, so please make sure to get them written and addressed and placed in the outgoing basket by April 10th. We will cover postage. Your encouragement and thoughtfulness and love mean a great deal to those taking God's love and Word to all who seek it.

Thanks for caring,
Mission Committee



We still collect food for the ON-GOING FOOD DRIVE. At this time we are giving to the Arvada Food Bank. We thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness in your response to this ministry each month.



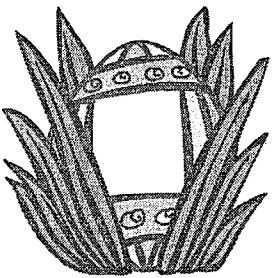
Friends & Followers

He Is Risen! Sunday, April 24

Jesus Christ is our Savior, and it is a special time to celebrate the truth of His resurrection and the joy of salvation.

**Resurrection Eggs
are a wonderful way to share this amazing
story.**

**Each Resurrection Egg holds an item that
signifies a part of the Resurrection Story. The
children get involved in the Greatest Story
ever told.**



Easter Egg Hunt will follow the class!

Children's Ministry

Friends & Followers

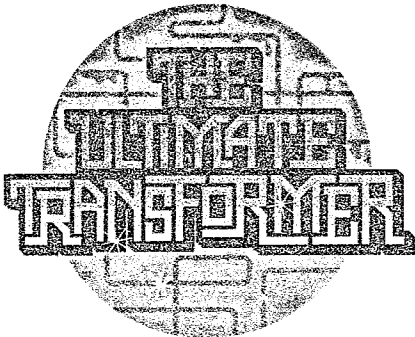
Kids learn a Bible point each week. These points remind them how they can let God work inside them as they live out their lives every day in a real world!



March 6- March 27

Title: Epic Adventure

Focus: Genesis



April 3 - April 24

Title: The Ultimate

Transformer

Focus: Resurrection



May 1 - May 29

Title: Free Prize Inside

Focus: Grace

Friends & Followers Leaders

Myrna Ditter

Mike & Kathy Embler

Jackie Mills

Bonnie Newton

Jackie Pfenning

Mike & Becky Schmidt

Cheryl Thompson

NEWS FROM OUR MISSIONARIES

Randy & Cheryl Bevis - THAILAND

"The biggest news for us is the addition of another son to our family, 6 year old "Daniel". We are fostering him for now but have applied to adopt him, often a 2-5 year process in Thailand. Cheryl met him at Agape Home, an orphanage for HIV+ children, while volunteering there as a speech therapist. The transition has been bumpy for all of us, but God has graciously given moments of hope and joy to keep us going. Randy, with the help of friends and helpers put in the first aquaponics system at an orphanage. The children and staff are excited to be able to raise their own fish and vegetables. Basically, you feed the fish and then the nutrients feed the vegetables and the vegetables' roots help filter the water before it comes back to the fish. There are four tanks with 60 fish per tank and two vegetable grow beds. We hope after practicing with the system that we can replicate it at other orphanages. Another new thing we will be starting this year is breeding catfish. We hope this will help the hatchery out by adding another fish to the natural tilapia and red tilapia that we currently breed."

Bruce & Kari Nelson - Denver

"It is exciting for us to equip our 1200 staff serving around the world. These staff use the Jesus Film in audio format and other evangelistic tools to bring the Gospel of Christ to every segment of society. God is transforming lives and people are coming to know Christ. He truly is at work in the world and we consider it a privilege to be a part of this movement through training our staff who are playing a vital role in helping introduce people to Jesus around the world. We appreciate your faithful partnership and are excited to

see what the Lord will continue to do as we trust Him together."

Andres & Laura Barron - CANADA

"We have been notified by Canada Immigration that our application for Permanent Residence has been approved! It marked the end of a 14 year process. Many of you have been in prayer with us these many years and we are so thankful to have this behind us. We will be celebrating Purim in March and in April I am away from home for three weeks on my annual Passover tour. I will be in Michigan and Laura will be home with the kids doing her own presentations in churches and taking charge of our Passover Banquet." Laura had an article published in the *Jews for Jesus Newsletter* called "It Never 'Just So Happens'."

Tim & Teresa Holmgren - Florida

"Tim has been very busy in the office. Most of the e-mails and phone calls he received begin with 'What do I do' so he is kept busy with answering peoples' questions. With many of our missionaries experiencing unexpected medical emergencies, we are very grateful for our insurance. Continue to pray for Tim that he can clearly explain the Medical Plan to those who need help and for Teresa as the Lord uses her in teaching and ministering to others. You are such an encouragement to us."

Pete & Cindy Ekstrand - AFRICA

"Please pray for us as we work out some connection and protocol issues with the satellite internet system. It has worked but is not consistent. Pray for us that we would have hearts of compassion for those in

need. Life is so often tenuous here. There have been several deaths with our workers' networks of friends and family. Cindy returned to Karawa in February to participate in discussions about how to address some key issues concerning the functioning and support of the medical services. She was a translator and participant."

Bill & Diane Jerdan - Traveling Missionaries

"Our first week of ministry with the Church of Christ our Peace in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, Bill was able to fit easily into the Sunday morning worship service. As with all international congregations, there were at least half a dozen nationalities represented. Most of the participants are themselves working with Christian ministries in the area. On Tuesday afternoon we participated in an interesting and creative prison outreach in a minimum security facility. In addition to a Bible study, there is time for playing games, singing songs and sharing stories of God's work in their lives. The first of March Bill flies back to Singapore, to meet with the team that leaves for Nepal. They will be gathering information of ministry needs in Nepal which is the primary objective of our time in Southeast Asia. Diane will stay in Phnom Penh where she has been asked to help with the conversation groups at the Four Rivers English Language Center."

Pray the heart need of FAITH will be met in the missionary. "Lord, strengthen the missionary's faith. May he trust you for every need." Visible results are often slow in coming and great faith is needed when sowing seed. A missionary may even fear returning home from the field "empty-handed". Pray he will leave all results, or lack of results, with God.

I Corinthians 3:6.

APRIL 2011

Sunday Morning Schedule

9—10:15 AM—Coffee and Fellowship in Heritage Cafe

Worship Service & Classes— 10:30

Nursery provided downstairs. Combined Service part of the hour then
Preschool thru 6th grade go downstairs for classes.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: 6 PM—Supper-Lite 6:45 PM—Choir 7 PM— Kids Klub, Confirmation, Video Series </div>					1	2 8 AM— Men's Ministry 10:30 AM— Gym and Fellowship Room in use
3 2 PM— New Member Class 6 PM—Youth	4	5 9:30 AM— Ladies Bible Study 1 PM—Ladies Aid 1 PM—Quilt	6 Wednesday Night Activities	7 8:30—H. H. Staff	8	9 5:30 PM - Explorers
10 11:45—Annual Chili Cook-Off 6 PM—Youth	11	12 NOODLE DAY 9:30 AM— Ladies Bible Study 1 PM—Quilt	13 Wednesday Night Activities	14 8:30—H. H. Staff 9 AM—Book Club	15 15th-16th: Midwest Conf. Annual Mig. Omaha, NE	16 8 AM— Men's Ministry
17 PALM SUNDAY 6 PM—Youth	18	19 9:30 AM— Ladies Bible Study 1 PM—Quilt	20 Wednesday Night Activities	21 8:30—H. H. Staff	22 7 PM— Good Friday Service w/ Communion	23
24 EASTER Communion Service 10:30 AM	25	26 9:30 AM— Ladies Bible Study 1 PM—Quilt	27 Wednesday Night Activities	28 8:30—H. H. Staff	29	30 8 AM— Men's Ministry

Birthdays and Anniversaries

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%;"> <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;"><i>Narrow Italic Type</i>—Birthdays Bold Type—Anniversaries</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">We list the people that we currently have updated in the computer. If you have a Birthday or share an Anniversary in April and we did not list you, please call the church office at 303-420-6292.</p> </div>					1 <i>Shirley Haynes</i> <i>Larz Montoya</i>	2 <i>Alice Brost</i>
3 Rich & Pat Mondragon and Roland & Katie Moore	4 <i>Cheryl Bennett</i> <i>Mike Embler</i> <i>Jared Peterson</i>	5 Dave & Jennifer Murdock	6	7 <i>Lyla Schock</i>	8 <i>Stephanie McBroom</i>	9 <i>Kristina Bertapelle</i> Gary & Teri Hergenreder
10 <i>Carl Wade</i>	11 <i>Quinton Schock</i>	12 <i>Paul Ditter</i> Loran & Mable Thompson	13 <i>Peter Murdock</i>	14	15 <i>Bill Clark</i>	16 <i>Norma Luka</i> <i>Amelia Wieser</i>
17 <i>Michael Siefers</i>	18 <i>Ken Pfenning</i>	19 <i>Linda Hundley</i> <i>Ev Schafer</i>	20	21 <i>Tannor Dressel</i>	22 <i>Dee Clark</i> Mike & Beck Schmidt	23 <i>Dick Bleyle</i> <i>Joyce Knight</i>
24 <i>Katie Moore</i>	25	26	27	28 <i>Lorie Helt</i> <i>Eunice Fritzler</i> <i>Katie Kraus</i> <i>McKenna Person</i> <i>June Quinn</i> Chris & Tricia Carri8llo and Dick & Elaine Stricker	29 <i>Shelly Cass</i> <i>Bobbie Siefers</i> Mike & Kathy Embler	30

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STORM ALERT:

In the event that church services or activities must be cancelled because of inclement weather notices will be posted on 9News, our Web Site and the Heritage e-Update.

1. Check 9News Business and School Closings
2. Check our church web site @ heritagecommunity.net
3. Check your e-Update. Subscribers to our Heritage e-Update will receive notification by email.

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