

Bellwether September Newsletter

R – Rise with God

Sunday Morning Service

10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Starting September 7, we will start a new sermon series, “Our Walk”, a series on the book of James

Wednesday Night EQUIP Service

Meets on Wednesday nights at 6:00 p.m. This is our time to Equip you more with God's Word, Worship, and prayer.

September 3 - Using Your Gifts in Your Church

September 10 - What is a Covenant?

A – Affirm the Family

Family News

For the month of August we would like to thank the following teachers in family: Margaret Jones, Emilee Brasell, Genny Ginn, Jana Long, Lori Reed, Janna Brown, Cherry Duckworth, and Emily Dye.

We also greatly appreciate our toddler room helpers and subs: Jack, Lindsay, and Laura Moriarty, Brandi and Londyn Dorsey, Polly and Riley Kellum, Mary Elizabeth Jackson, Laney McNeer, Nikkole Inman, Sara Meade Wood, and Morgan Phillips.

Please email Jennifer Morgan at family@bellwetherchurch.org if you would like to volunteer in family ministry.

September God Time cards are on the check-in table. Please pick one up.

*Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these."
Matthew 19:14*

Youth News

September 7: “The Gathered” will meet at the White House behind the Sanctuary. 5 – 7 p.m. Dinner will be provided. John Hugh Tate will be leading! Bring a Friend!!

September 14: “The Gathered” will meet at the White House. 5 -7 p.m. Dinner will be provided. Chris Kellum will be leading! Bring a Friend!!

September 21: The Youth will be partnering with the ministry [“Why Not Now”](#) and will be preparing and serving the Homeless, lunch in Smith Park at 12:30 p.m. immediately following Church. Be on the lookout for an email from Lori containing all details and requesting volunteers. Open to parents and siblings as well. Service hours will be awarded for those that volunteer. We will not have Youth that evening.

September 28: “Meet The Need”. 5 - 7 p.m. at the White House. We will meet at the White House at 5 p.m. for dinner as a group. After dinner we will break into our Small Groups and will go deliver food from the Bellwether freezer to various families who may need a meal! The kids have been working on lists in each of their groups and will be a great way to give back to our community! Kids will be back at the Church for pick up at 7:00 p.m.

Calendars will be available beginning Sunday, September 7 detailing all Youth Events coming up from September until December 2014.

Please contact Lori Reed (lorireed12@gmail.com) with any questions about any of these upcoming events!!

I – Invest in your Church

Check out the new Bellwether Phone App!!

Bellwether now has an APP! For tablets and phones, both Apple & Android. Please download from your App store! Check social media in the upcoming weeks for informative videos on app features, including online/electronic giving! Other features include sermons, music, order of services, events, photo galleries, and more! One request – PLEASE enable push notifications. We promise not to abuse this! Enjoy!!!

Who is New at Bellwether?

Please stop by the "New Faces in New Spaces" board located in the Family Ministry Hall to see our new Bellwether members and babies.

Bellwether Prayer Team

If you are interested in being part of the Bellwether prayer team, please contact Jill Bowdon at jbowdon@bellwetherchurch.org. You will begin to receive prayer requests from our church family. This is a great way to pray for the day to day trials of our congregation and staff.

If you are in need of specific prayer, please submit a request on our website or email Jill Bowdon at jbowdon@bellwetherchurch.org.

Are you interested in joining the Sunday Morning Team?

There's a lot that goes into preparation for Sunday Mornings! We'll gather at 9:30 a.m. for a short prayer time and devotional, and then we'll get to serving! If you are interested please contact Jeremy at jwolfe@bellwetherchurch.org

RAISE More Campaign

Bellwether has launched the "RAISE More" campaign. John Hugh will be highlighting it in the upcoming months. Through this, we will be raising a million dollars by the end of 2015 to pay off renovation costs and establish a mission fund to spread the Word of God.

S – Share in a Group

We want you to "do life together" beyond Sunday mornings and offer a variety of on-ramps.

We have small groups, known as "B Groups" that meet weekly and if you are interested in being connected in this way, here are some options:

Fall Schedule for B Groups:

Sunday Night Jackson B Group – Sundays at 5:15 p.m. All are welcome to this group. A diverse age range. This fall, they are all finding life application bible verses to share as a group. Contact Cathie Phillippi at cphillippi1@gmail.com for more info.

Sunday Night Madison B Group – Sundays at 5:00 p.m. at various homes in Madison. This group is a mix of families with young children and teenage children. Childcare is included. This fall, they are studying "Twelve Ordinary Men:

How the Master Shaped His Disciples for Greatness, and What He wants to do with You". Contact Megan Mascagni for information at megan.mascagni@gmail.com.

Rankin Co. B Group – Meets Tuesday evenings at Kelly and Kristian Angulo's house in Farmington Station and is open to anyone interested. This is a diverse group of singles and marrieds and kids are welcome. They will be studying the book of James to coincide with the sermon series in the fall. Contact Lori Reed at lorireed12@gmail.com for more info.

Radical RAISE Group

Meets on Wednesday mornings at 6:30 a.m. at Sneaky Beans. This is a Holy Spirit experiment of bringing diverse people together to study the bible from August to May and committing to a global mission trip together. Discussion facilitated by John Hugh Tate and Jack Moriarity. New group starting this August. If you would like to join the group this year, contact John Hugh at jhtate@bellwetherchurch.org.

New RAISE Group

Wednesday nights from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Bellwether Church Sanctuary led by Jeremy Wolfe. This group is open to all and will be a discussion group focused on the difficult questions of faith. The group will go through Tim Keller's book, *"The Reason for God"*. For more information contact Jeremy at jwolfe@bellwetherchurch.org.

NEW Bellwether Breakfast

Meets from 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. 1st Sunday of every month in the White House. For some of us who miss small groups or lunches, this is a great opportunity to form friendships with others while allowing our children to spend time with one another. If you would like to help with the breakfast, contact Deidre Barbour at deidrebarbour@comcast.net.

Bellwether Men's Group

The men's group meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 a.m. in the sanctuary of the church. All are welcome and feel free to drop in anytime. Contact Ben Jones at ben.jones.tl@gmail.com for more info.

Bellwether Ladies Group

Meets Tuesdays from noon until 1:00 p.m. in the White House. Join a bible study aimed at working women and busy moms. We meet for 1 hour but feel free to come and go as needed. Bring your lunch and a friend. We will be studying straight from the Bible and encouraging one another to be leaders in the season God has us in right now. Open to All and drop ins welcome! For more information, contact Linda Tate at lindatate2@me.com.

Good Morning Girls (GMG)

GMG is an email devotional group for busy women. If you need encouragement in your daily walk with God and you are super busy – this is a group for you. Email lindatate2@me.com to join.

Women's IF Table

If you cannot make a regular group, you can spend an evening in a home sharing what God is doing in your life with 5 other women. A simple home cooked meal will be served. For more information, contact Kristen DiBiase at kris10ktt@gmail.com.

E – Engage the World

Feed the Need

The date is Saturday, September 20 from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the white house on the Bellwether church property. Payment of \$140 is due at that time. Space is limited to 10 participants, but we are now full for the September 20th cook day. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Emilee Brasell to let her know of your interest in future cook days!

Many you have participated in the past and understand how it works. If so, you can skip this part! Emilee creates a menu of 10 different meals that we make 10 times each. Bellwether does the grocery shopping, and you do a little bit of prep work such as cooking chicken or ground beef or chopping veggies. We all get together the day of and put 100 meals together. We can usually get this done in about 2 1/2 hours. You pick 9 meals that you would like to take home and 1 meal stays at Bellwether for those in need.

We are approaching the one year anniversary of our first cooking session. Actually, it was September 21st of last year. We have blessed more than 50 families over the past year through this ministry. Please consider joining us for this morning of great fellowship.

We hope you will join us! If you have any questions, please email Emilee Brasell at emileekingbrasell@gmail.com.

Salt & Light Special Services

Mission Dinner - Thursday September 25

Bellwether Service - Wednesday October 8 at 6 p.m.

India Mission Trip

November 3-13 – Please start praying for our India team! Below is a sample of what our crew will be a part of so you can know how to best pray for them.

This Mission is some hands on but more of a focus group of what role we can play throughout the year once we return home. It is a 12,000 mile journey to the other side of the world where Jesus needs to be spread (to say the least). We will use what we see “as we go” and focus our efforts to grow God’s word and to help the oppressed women (girls) in sex trafficking, which is unbelievably rampant there.

Hyderabad 4 days: With our own MUSTARD SEED FAITH FOUNDATION INDIA started by Brother James & Raji Maddirala we will visit the local school in the slums of the city that MSFFFI “started” and operates with funds from Mississippi! We (MSFFFI) want to expand the grades there and are looking forward to seeing how we can grow our very own school and the students that are getting an education that they normally would not.

Kolkata (Calcutta) 4 days: We will take an in country flight to Kolkata that is known for being the “sex trafficking hub” with countless girls, most under 12 years old. We will visit IJM (International Justice Mission) and talk about what they are doing and the opportunity for us to help back home. We will visit the place that is a Home for rescued girls called, Mahima 2. There is a huge need for the rehabilitation of these girls after they are rescued. We as a team will focus our efforts on how we can get this Home off the grounds and continue to sponsor it. While in Kolkata we will visit Mother Teresa’s home which is a Holy place that is visited by people all over the world in the heart of the poor.

Dubai (United Arab Emirates) 1 Night: We will spend an evening in worship with a Christian Church that has been started by a friend of John Hugh’s. Although Dubai is very tolerant of other religions (except Judaism), a Christian Church is rare in this part of the world where Islam is practiced very strictly. This is truly a Mustard Seed church.

We will return home with information and knowledge on where and how to battle for Christ and Justice in India which we will share with our Bellwether family and as a Church will work all year on these efforts! *This is just the beginning..... This is Bellwether!*

For more info on all mission trips, contact Tabor Weissinger at tabor.missions@gmail.com.

Lori Reed is selling T-shirts as a fundraiser for the India Mission Trip! \$20.00 each - Adult and Youth sizes available. Email her for more information or to place an order! Lorireed12@gmail.com